

Sunraysia Catholic Communities



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Newsheet: Week 38
Parish Secretary: Carmel Russo
Office Hours: Tues - Fri 9:00am—4:00pm

Sacred Heart
Mildura

Our Lady of Lourdes
Werrimull

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
Merbein

St. Francis Xavier
Irymple

St. Joseph's
Red Cliffs

*The Sunraysia Catholic Communities are committed to ensure the safety of all children and vulnerable people in our care.
Child Safety Officers:- Mildura—Peter Issanchon, Merbein—Kevin Aston, Red Cliffs—Bernadette Gardner*

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year C 17th & 18th September 2022

RECENT DEATHS

Mildura

Anniversaries:

Saturday 6pm: Vincenzo Dichiera

Sunday 9am: Cath Fry

Sunday 5pm:

Red Cliffs

Anniversaries:

Merbein

Anniversaries: Edmond Betlinski, Merv Farnsworth, Roy, Fellows, Moya Hann, Claude Rayner, Ann Burke, Koke Matthews, Ida Peason.

(Immediate family members of the deceased are permitted to arrange anniversary Masses.)

Message from our Assistant Priest

We are on the twenty-fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time. In the Gospel of the day we hear the words of Jesus: 'No servant can be the slave of two Masters, he will either hate the first and love the second.....' The choice is ours, freedom is ours, the priorities are set by us. Whichever way we go, whichever route we take, the question is whether we chose the right Master in our life.

Let us have a special prayer intention for the weekend: May Queen Elizabeth be received into the court of Heaven as the people of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth perform the Sacred rites for her funeral on 19th September. Let us also pray for the New King Charles III that he may live a religious and revered life for the good of his people across the Commonwealth of Nations.

May I also take this opportunity to wish our dear students, teachers and parents a joyful and fruitful school holidays.

God bless you all.
Fr Shaiju Matthew

Please note that if you have booked a memorial mass you are reminded to speak to the priest prior to the mass to let him know you are there.

Please abide by the Staying Safe Rules

- . Masks do not need to be worn in church but if you wish you can continue to wear them.
- . Use the hand sanitizer
- . If you are feeling unwell please stay home

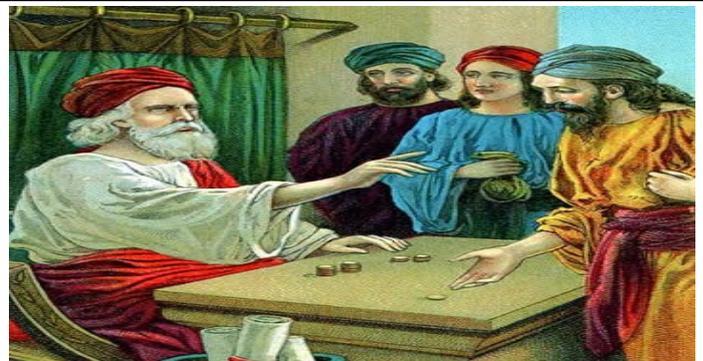
Office Opening Hours for the next two weeks

Office Closed—First week of the School Holidays
Tuesday 20th—Wednesday 21st September
(Thursday 22nd—Queens Mourning Public Holiday)
(Friday 23rd—AFL Public Holiday)

Tuesday 27th September: 1-4pm

Friday 30th September: 9-12noon

Any queries please leave a message on 5021 2872 or email: mildura@ballarat.catholic.org.au



RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) for adults interested in committing to the Catholic Faith.
Commencing on **Thursday 6th October at 7pm in the Monaghan Centre.**

No prior notice required - just turn up.

LOCAL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

For September 2022

- Wed 21:** Oasis Aged Care service 10.30am
Tue 27: Sacred Heart Parish Finance meeting, Parish Office 7.30am
Tue 27: BUPA Aged Care service 10.30am
Wed 28: Anointing Mass, Sacred Heart Church 2pm
Wed 28: Baptism Preparation Evening, Monaghan Centre 7pm.



Baptism

We welcome to our Sunraysia Parish Community — **Ella Scott, Ethan & Aida Frasca, Octavia Beadle and Stefan Iudica** whose baptism occurs this weekend.

Sacred Heart Family Group

The next gathering for the Sacred Heart Family Group will be a luncheon held on Sunday 25th September at 12noon in the Directors Room at the Gateway Tavern, 15th Street, Mildura.

Please RSVP Raylee on 0427 238 778.



Sunraysia Catholic Communities Sacramental Dates 2022



First Eucharist (Grade 4 and above)
The celebration weekend is Friday 21st, Saturday 22nd Sunday 23rd October.

Reconciliation (Grade 2)
Parent Meeting Wed 12th Oct. 7pm, Sacred Heart Church.

The celebration of the sacrament will be held on Wednesday 23rd November at 7pm.

Notices for the Bulletin

Due to different opening hours for the Parish Office during the next two weeks all requests for notices for the weekend bulletin need to be in by 12noon **Wednesdays**.

You can either email: mildura@ballarat.catholic.org.au or leave a message on 5021 2872.

Our Parish Schools

Sacred Heart Mildura Principal: Mark Gibson 5023 1204

St Paul's Mildura Principal: Vince Muscatello 5023 4567

OLSH Merbein Principal: Narelle Gallagher 5025 2258

St. Joseph's Red Cliffs Principal: Naomi Kennedy 5024 1654

St. Joseph's Secondary College Mildura

Principal: Marg Blythman 5018 8000

Weekly Prayer Opportunities Sacred Heart Mildura

- Charismatic Group:** Tuesday after 6pm Mass
Scripture Group: Thursday 3:00pm – Monaghan Centre
Devotions and Exposition: Friday 4:00pm
Reconciliation: Saturday 10:00am—10:30am
Christian Meditation: Sat 11:30am Monaghan Centre

Advance Notice

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary St Joseph's Church Red Cliffs

Will be held on Sunday 9th October 2022 with a Solemn Mass at 10am. Followed by the procession and the Traditional Feast with entertainment and stalls. Drawing of raffle 4.30pm. All welcome.



Shared Table Recipe Book

To support Fr Michael McKinnon's Shared Table Projects in Peru we are preparing a recipe book. If you have a favourite recipe within your family, we would love to receive it and include in the book. You will be acknowledged as the contributor. Recipes can be starters/soups, mains, salads, desserts, one pot, stir fry.

We have so many wonderful cultures represented in our community and we would love recipes from as many parts of the world as possible. We look forward to your contributions with cut off date October 7. The editorial committee may need to be selective with the final compilation.

The booklet will be available for prepaid order in November. Payment to be paid in advanced.

If you want to become involved please contact Sr Helen as soon as possible.

helen.nolen@mercy.org.au

phone 0438 734 524

The Season of Creation is the annual Christian celebration to listen and respond together to the cry of Creation: the ecumenical family around the world unites to pray and protect our common home, the *Oikos* of God, ending of the Feast of St Francis, the patron saint of ecology. September 1- Oct 4.

Many resources to help us pray and celebrate the Season of Creation can be found on the Ballarat Diocesan website

<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/welfare/catholic-earthcare-ballarat-diocese/season-of-creation-2022/>



Fuel Raffle

St Joseph's Church Red Cliffs is having a Fuel Raffle with 1st Prize \$750 worth of fuel, 2nd Prize \$350 worth of fuel and 3rd Prize is \$100 worth of fuel. Raffle drawn 20th November at St Joseph's Red Cliffs

Tickets can be purchased at the Sacred Heart Parish Office.

Raffle books come in booklets of either 10 tickets or 20 tickets. Tickets are \$2.00 each.

For further information please contact the Parish Office 50212872 or email: mildura@ballarat.catholic.org.au



LOCAL NEWS

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

IRYMPLE MILDURA RED CLIFFS MERBEIN

SATURDAY		6PM		
SUNDAY	8:30AM	9AM	10AM	10:30AM
		5PM		

WERRIMULL 11:00AM (5TH SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Changes to Weekday Mass times will be listed below

MILDURA RED CLIFFS MERBEIN

MONDAY			
TUESDAY	6PM	NO MASS	
WEDNESDAY	9:30AM		
THURSDAY	NO MASS	5:30PM	9:30AM
FRIDAY	6PM		
SATURDAY	9:30AM		

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

If you want a sick person prayed for, ask their permission. Names will be included for the duration of one month after which family or friends can request more time.

Mildura: Joe de Jong, Fr Eric Bryant, Teresa Camarotto, James Bowring, Caleb Bowers, Margaret Mottram, Rosemary Byrne

Merbein:

Red Cliffs: Faye Cufari, Marie Adams, Barry Crosbie

SUNRAYSA CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES FINANCE

Last week's collections	Mildura	Merbein	Red Cliffs
1 st Collection (supporting Priests & Presbytery)	\$ 1212.85	\$112.95	\$193.90
2 nd Collection (includes all EFT, DD & CC)	\$760.00	\$160.00	\$650.00
Loose Plate	\$ 582.65	\$ 43.05	\$ 36.25

Ballarat Diocesan Launch of the Social Justice statement



Parish Hub at Monaghan Centre 10am-12 noon Saturday Oct 1, 2022.

Please contact Sr Helen Nolen 0438 734 524 for further details and to register your attendance

ROSTERS ALL CHURCHES

This weekend - 17th & 18th September 2022

Werrimull 5th Sunday of each month 11am

Mildura

Readers: Sat 6pm: A Naray
Sun 9am: P Issanchon
Sun 5pm: B Bunting

Eucharistic Ministers: x 3

Sat 6pm: A Naray, M McDonald, V Pileggi
Sun 9am: J Cirillo, Volunteers please
Sun 5pm: T Finn, J Willis, B Dolence

Music: Sat 6pm: Singing Group, M Sullivan
Sun 9am: Tongan Choir, M Guthrie
Sun 5pm: M Hammond, J Macri

Offertory Procession:

Sun 9am: Baptism

Counting Team: Group 10 — H Kay

Irymple

Reader: M Hoy

Merbein

Reader: K Wagner
Offertory: P Sylvia, J Rogers

Red Cliffs

Readers: M Duck, D Eagle
Music: Guitar

Offertory Procession: Lewis Family

Altar Servers: School Holidays

Eucharistic Minister: D Eagle

Church Cleaning: Volunteers

Flowers: Volunteers

Please find your own replacement if you are unable to attend on your Rostered Day.

Next weekend - 24th & 25th September 2022

Werrimull 5th Sunday of each month 11am

Mildura

Readers: Sat 6pm: Chris Carmichael
Sun 9am: Rose Op't Hoog
Sun 5pm: Jancy Thomas

Eucharistic Ministers: x 3

Sat 6pm: M Cirillo, C Carmichael, P Kerr
Sun 9am: J Rocca, B Castillo, T Faingaanuku
Sun 5pm: B Bunting, J Hall, K Groves

Music: Sat 6pm: Filipino Choir

Sun 9am: Marion Guthrie

Sun 5pm: S Faita, K Mapapalangi

Offertory Procession:

Sun 9am: Baptism

Counting Team: Group 1

Irymple

Reader: Mary Hoy

Merbein

Reader: Elvira Piscioneri
Offertory: Elvira & Sam Iamarino

Red Cliffs

Readers: P Hunt, T Gardiner
Music: Guitar

Offertory Procession: N Orr

Altar Servers: School Holidays

Eucharistic Minister: T Gardiner

Church Cleaning: Volunteers

Flowers: Volunteers

Please find your own replacement if you are unable to attend on your Rostered Day.

Next Weekends Readings: - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C — 24th & 25th September 2022

1st Reading: Amos 6:1, 4-7

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 145:6-10

Response: Praise the Lord, my soul.

2nd Reading: St Paul to Timothy 6:11-16

Gospel: Luke 16: 19-31



First Reading

Am 8:4-7

A reading from the prophet Amos

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 112:1-2. 4-8. R. see vv. 1. 7

(R.) Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

or

(R.) Alleluia!

1. Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore! (R.)
2. High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory. Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth? (R.)
3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dunghheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. (R.)

Second Reading

1 Tm 2:1-8

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone – petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving – and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

Gospel Acclamation

2 Cor 8:9

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 16:1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

'Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

A PRAYER—Cath Fry 29/6/44—19/9/13

A beautiful gentle kind modest lady who devoted her life to her family faith friends flowers animals and birds. Lord let us live our lives as Cath lived hers. Cath loved without condition; she talked without intention; Cath listened without judgement and gave without reason. Cath cared without expectation and remembered without regret. Lord help us to live that way.