Sacred Heart Parish Mildura

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Our Lady of Lourdes Werrimull **St. Francis Xavier Elms Street, Irymple**

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Fr Damian Styles

Parish Secretary: Carmel Russo

Office Hours: Tues—Fri 9am—4pm

Visiting Priest - Fr Ted McCormack msc

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year C - 1st & 2nd October 2016

Weekend Mass Times

Sat: 6:00 pm Sun: 9:00 am, 5:00 pm Irymple: 8:30 am Werrimull 11:00 am (last Sunday of each month)

Weekday Masses

If there is a Funeral Mass on Wed, Thurs, the advertised Mass will be cancelled.

Tues: 7:00 pm Wed: 9:10 am Thurs: 9:30 am Fri: 5:40 pm Sat: 9.30 am

Weekly Prayer Opportunities

Rosary: Monday 5:00pm

Prayer of the Church: Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri. 8:40 am **Christian Meditation**: Sat 11:30 am Parish Prayer

Room

Charismatic Prayer Group: Tues 7:30pm in Church

Devotion Prayer and Exposition: Fri 3:00pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 10:00am

RECENT DEATH: Adele Timpano

ANNIVERSARIES: Saturday 6pm: Perce Lunn Sunday 5pm: Antonio Callipari

Wednesday 9.10am: Fr Luke Mewington

(Only members of the deceased's immediate family are permitted to arrange anniversary Masses.)



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

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

Brian Ramsay, Graeme Lewis, Joan Appleby, Ron Morello, Monica Crimmins, Daniel Ralli, Dan Rodan, John Devilee, Ethan Neyland, Georgie Manning, Dorothy Norris, Eileen Flanner, Fr Denis Dennehy, Eli Madden-Andrews, Kel Townsend, Vince Alicastro, Judy Hunt, Hailey Crossan, Teresa Panuccio, Geraldine Brunner, Siliako Lolesio

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today's gospel seems to be telling us that faith is somehow linked with doing what we ought to do without looking for accolades. The apostles ask Jesus to increase their faith. As usual he responds obliquely and with two seemingly unconnected images. As usual, he leaves his hearers puzzled and puzzling.



Given his earlier refusal to engage in demonstra-

tions of power (Luke 4:1-12), Jesus' words about the mulberry tree are strange indeed. Trees simply don't transplant themselves on demand. Would they do so if we believed it possible? I think not. So what is going on here? Jesus often uses hyperbole to make a point. He seems to be asserting the power of faith to "save". When some faith-filled people brought their paralysed friend to him for a cure, or when the centurion appealed to him on behalf of his dying slave, or when the woman massaged his feet with perfumed oil, it was their faith that "saved" them. This time he uses metaphorical language to the same end. In effect he is saying that even the faintest glimmer of faith has the most extraordinary effects. Later in Luke's gospel, Jesus will contrast those who have faith with those who "trust in themselves that they are righteous and regard others with contempt" (18:9).

The slave story provides some interesting, even disturbing insights into the institution of slavery in the world of the first century. Slaves have no expectation of sustenance when they come in from a hard day's work. They attend first to the master's needs, and even then they deserve no recognition or credit. This is simply how it is for slaves. Jesus does not challenge the master-slave relationship whereby the slave receives no special thanks for doing the master's bidding. We may want to critique this aspect of the story. When they have done everything expected of them, the apostles are to consider themselves as "unworthy servants" (literally "worthless slaves"). We might note that "worthless" is a misleading translation of the Greek *achreiai*: slaves are extremely valuable to their owners, even if nobody actually owes them anything.

How can undeserving slaves provide a prototype for gospel leadership? How can this image fit with the supposedly inclusive vision of the gospel as a whole? Our church tradition has always distinguished between those elements in the text that are situation-bound and those that have enduring significance. We need the wisdom to discern the latter and the insight to refuse to reinscribe oppressive first century societal practices. The story invites us to have faith and to do what we ought to do without looking for undue recognition. As for claiming the status of "slaves", that can have little if any value in our times.

Veronica Lawson rsm

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & LITURGY



BAPTISM

We welcome into our Parish Community, William Groves whose Baptism occurs this weekend.

WEDDINGS

We congratulate Dominic Leach and Ashlea Roelofs who were married this weekend.



EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

New Rosters commencing 15th & 16th October are now available.

PLEASE collect your copy from the table at the back of the Church.

WELCOME

We welcome back Fr Matthew Thomas who is here this weekend helping us celebrate our weekend Masses.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Period of Enquiry—Welcome and Introduction

Will be held on Thursday 20th October, 7pm in the Hillman Room.



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY RED CLIFFS

Mission Week 3rd—8th October commencing with Rosary 7pm followed by Mass with Fr Angelo Cagna



FESTA DAY SUNDAY 9TH OCTOBER
Mass 1.00pm followed by Procession.

3.00pm. Lots of entertainment, Italian Tarantella Group, many food stalls including Zippoli, Italian cakes & biscuits. Bocce competition, pignate & more

7.30pm. Drawing of raffle 8.30pm. Fireworks <u>All welcome</u>

Growing in Grace Increases Our Faith

Luke 17:1-10

PARISH FINANCE

Last week'	s coll	lections
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Last week 8 confections				
1 st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$1210.55			
2nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$4097.25			
BCSF	\$ 155.00			
Loose Plate	\$ 592.65			

COMMUNITY LIFE & OUTREACH

BEREAVEMENT TEAM MEETING

Will be held on Tuesday 4th October, 9am at the Parish Office.

REGIS TENTH STREET AGED CARE MASS

Will be held on Tuesday 4th October at 2pm. All welcome.

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND MIRP GROUP

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday October 5 at 7 pm in the Monaghan Centre. All welcome.

ANOINTING MASS

Will be held on Thursday 6th October at 9.30am. All welcome.

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP

Will gather at the Irymple Hotel for Lunch on Sunday 16th October at Noon. Please let Elaine and Frank know your intensions for bookings on 0417031175 / 0422069117. All welcomed.

TO GIVE AWAY

1 x large desk. Please collect from Church side of the Presbytery under the verandah, near the front door.



BUS TRIP TO WERRIMULL

Sacred Heart Parish last bus trip to Werrimull for 2016 will leave on Sunday 30th October from the SJC 12th Street entrance at 10am sharp. Mass at 11am followed by lunch at the Pub. Please contact the Parish Office to make a booking on 50212872.



EVENING TALKS ON MERCY: as the Year of Mercy comes to a close in November, the Merbein Theresian Group in conjunction with the Merbein Parish Pastoral Council, have invited Sr. Mary Dennett, R.S.M. to lead us in an evening Reflection upon the message of Pope Francis for this special year. This is planned to be a prayerful and reflective evening as we have been challenged throughout the year to make the living out of Mercy, a commitment in our daily lives as Christians. Parishioners and Friends are invited to attend. Details are as follows:

DATE: Monday, October 3rd.

TIME: 6.30pm—9pm. With a break for Light Meal, WHERE: Talk will be held in the Multi-purpose Room, Our Lady of the Sacred School, Box Street, Merbein Reply: Sr. Marion on 042725 2716 or 50 252716.

GRIEF TO GRACE – HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABUSE

A spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held March 26 – 31, 2017. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@grieftograceaus.org.au or phone 0407704539. For more information visit www.grieftograce.org

SOCIAL JUSTICE

There are Ten Steps to Creating a Place at the Table. For the next ten weeks you will be given each step.

1. **Give Thanks**

We should give thanks to God for the grace of a long life and for the prosperous and modern society we live in. We should be grateful for the inheritance we have received from previous generations. Their generosity can be seen, not only in the fruits of their labour and advances in science and technology, but also in the many institutions and policies promoting the common good and assisting people struggling through difficult times.

(Social Justice Statement 2016-2017)

We can all give thanks for the gift of a long life, either for ourselves or for family, friends and loved ones. How will we use this gift for the benefit of our families, communities and our nation?

PRAYER AND FASTING FOR MARRIAGE & FAMILIES

Sundays in October 2016

Scripture and the Church's history give us many examples of a great impact when a whole community undertakes prayer and fasting together.

Join us for a month of prayer and fasting to be held in parishes, schools and homes across the nation during the month of October 2016

We hope that in this time of national conversation on the subject of marriage we can encourage all to pray for the well-being of marriages and families, and in a particular way for people who are same-sex attracted or gender questioning. We also pray for a respectful national discussion on marriage.

Sunday 2nd October

For the flourishing of marriages and families in Australia. Today and through this week we pray for all marriages and families in Australia.

Heavenly Father, grant that our families may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches.

Make us ever more mindful of the sacredness and beauty of the family in God's plan.

FUNDRAISING CONCERT

All are invited to a Fundraising Concert organised by Meg Sullivan & Inez Sullivan. The concert is to raise much needed funds for the Christina Noble Foundation that provides education and medical support for young children in need. The Foundation operates in Vietnam and Mongolia.

Where: Mildura Arts Centre When: Sunday 9th October at

1.30pm for 2pm start. Tickets: \$25, \$20 concession,

and \$50 per family from the \(\frac{1}{2}\) Arts Centre.

For further information please see the flyer at each church entrance.



BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND Collection for Sick and Retired Priests

Last year our parish contributed \$ 2287.50 to this collection, which raised nearly \$54,000 throughout the Diocese. The collection in our parish this year has raised \$1554.00 so far.

to date. The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund relies on your generosity to enable it to continue supporting our sick and retired priests. You are still able to contribute, by using the special envelope provided, or in an envelope marked "Ballarat Clergy Support Fund".

A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are taxdeductible.



CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US -THE CHURCH COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY

ST PAULS PRIMARY SCHOOL



As always, Keep the Faith. Vince Muscatello—Principal Our Parish Vision
"Our Parish is a Eucharistic Community
united by our faith in Jesus Christ.
We work together in the power of the Holy
Spirit to spread the good news of God's
Kingdom."



Our Parish Schools

Sacred Heart Primary School Principal: *Des Lowry* 5023 1204

St Paul's Primary School Principal: *Vince Muscatello* 5023 4567

St Joseph's Secondary College Principal: *Marg Blythman* 5018 8000

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1st & 2nd October, 2016		8th & 9th October, 2016			
THIS WEEK'S READINGS		NEXT WEEK'S READINGS			
First Reading: Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4 Resp Psalm: Ps 94:1-2, 6-9. R. v. 8 Response: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. Second Reading:2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14 Gospel: Lk 17:5-10		First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17 Resp Psalm: Ps 97:1-4. R. cf. v. 2 Response: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. Second Reading: 2 Tim 2:8-13 Gospel: Lk 17:11-19			
EUCHARIST MINISTERS		EUCHARIST MINISTERS			
SATURDAY SUNDAY		SATURDAY SUNDAY			
6PM	9AM	5PM	6PM	9AM	5PM
6 Ministers required	7 Ministers required	6 Ministers required	6 Ministers required	7 Ministers required	6 Ministers required
Katy Quinlan	Jill Joslyn	Bill Dolence	Anne-Maree Greville	Talia Fainga'anuku	Sue Hermans
Taiana Fatai	Lisa Cirillo	Jacqui Willis	Christine Carmichael	Michael Fainga'anuku	Danielle Mazzini
Trish McNamara	Katalina Mafi	Barbara Bunting	Margaret McDonald	Maureen Speed	Nisa Abraham
Morris Henderson	Aloisia Mafi	Katrina Groves	Anita Naray	Alicia Tindall	Greg Johnston
Ellen Frauenfelder	Jean Rocca	Judy Hall	Volunteer please	Lily Tindall	Sandra Walker
Maria Cirillo	Bobby Castello	Myrna Rodi	Volunteer please	Peter O'Donnell	Mario Zema
	Ross Tongue			Filomena Carbone	
MUSIC		MUSIC			
M Hammond	Italian Choir	Youth Group	Filipino Group	M Guthrie	M Sullivan
B Prescott	N Armsden	K Mafi	N Armsden	B Lewis, B Prescott	J Macri
J Macri				J O'Bryan	J Ljubic
ALTAR SERVERS		ALTAR SERVERS			
Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer
OFFERTORY PROCESSION		OFFERTORY PROCESSION			
2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required
	Colin & Lyn Welsh		Baptism	Baptism	
READERS		READERS			
Rosemary Barnes	Nancy Fatai	Tony Finn	Tricia McNamara	Sr Rosemary	Bill Dolence
COUNTING TEAM 9		COUNTING TEAM 10			
GEORGE DOLENCE 5023 7993		BRIAN GROGAN 5021 2099			
IRYMPLE - SUNDAY - 8.30AM		IRYMPLE - SUNDAY - 8.30AM			
READER	EUCHARIS	Γ MINISTER	READER	READER EUCHARIST MINISTER	
M Hill	R Hill		P Riordan	W Smith	