

Sunraysia Catholic Communities



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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*

2nd Sunday of Lent / Year C 12th & 13th March 2022

RECENT DEATHS

Maria Cua, Teresa Rodi, Helen Ackland

Mildura

Anniversaries: Gilia Dichiera

Saturday 6pm: Maria, Peter & Lucia Tran & All souls,
Emma Deluca

Sunday 9am: Jack McFadyen

Sunday 5pm: Tony Rogers

Red Cliffs

Anniversaries: Tom Smith, Cecilia & Domenico D'Anna, Vincenza
Tassone, Francesco & Maria-Antonia Tassone, Adrianna Tassone

Merbein

Anniversaries:

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

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.

Sunraysia Catholic Communities Sacramental Dates 2022

Reconciliation (Grade 3 and above)

The sacrament of Reconciliation will take place
Wednesday 6th April 7pm Sacred Heart Church

Confirmation (Grade 3 and above)

Parent Meeting Wed 27th April 7pm, SH Church
Friday 3rd, Saturday 4th, Sunday 5th June

First Eucharist (Grade 4 and above)

Parent Meeting Wed 7th Sept. 7pm, SH Church
Friday 21st, Saturday 22nd Sunday 23rd October

Reconciliation (Grade 2)

Parent Meeting Wed 12th Oct. 7pm, SH Church
Wednesday 23rd November

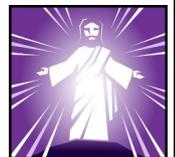
Message from our Parish Priest

We commence our Second Week of Lent this week as we do let us spend sometime in prayer for our families, friends and community.

This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' is a line in today's Gospel, listening not only with our ears but with our heart can give us a better insight into what is happening around us and also hear the response for God responding to our needs.

God bless you all.

Fr Matthew Thomas



Easter Services

Holy Thursday 14th April

5pm Our Lady's Merbein
6pm St Joseph's Red Cliffs
7pm Sacred Heart Mildura

Lent Reconciliation Service

Wednesday 30th March
7pm
Sacred Heart Church Mildura

Good Friday 15th April

3pm Sacred Heart Mildura
3pm St Joseph's Red Cliffs
3pm Our Lady's Merbein

The Way of the Cross

Good Friday morning at 9am at
Sacred Heart Church Mildura
Followed by a Cuppa and
Hot Cross Bun

Holy Saturday 16th April

6pm St Joseph's Red Cliffs
7pm Sacred Heart Mildura

Anointing Masses

10th March Red Cliffs 5.30pm
17th March Merbein 9.30am
23rd March Mildura 9.30am

Easter Sunday 17th April

8.30am St Francis Xavier Irymple
9am Sacred Heart Mildura
10.30am Our Lady's Merbein
11am Our Lady of Lourdes
Werrimull
5pm Sacred Heart Mildura

Mass of the Oils

St Patricks Cathedral Ballarat
Monday 11th April

Please abide by the COVID Staying Safe Rules

- . Masks now 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

LOCAL NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

For March 2022

Mon 14 Mar: Knight of the Southern Cross meeting 7.30pm at the KSC Clubrooms.

Sun 13 Mar: Cuppa & Trading Table Mildura Church 9am, Red Cliffs Church 10am

Wed 16 Mar: Oasis Aged Care service 10.30am.

Thu 17 Mar: Anointing Mass, Merbein Church 9.30am.

Sun 20 Mar: Merbein Parish Council meeting after 10.30am Mass

Tue 22 Mar: Sacred Heart Parish Finance meeting 7.30am.

Tues 22 Mar: Sacred Heart Parish Council meeting after 6pm Mass, Monaghan Centre

Tue 22 Mar: BUPA Aged Care service 10.30am.

Wed 23 Mar: Anointing Mass, Mildura church 9.30am

Wed 23 Mar: Baptism Preparation Evening 7pm Monaghan Centre.

Sun 27 Mar: Red Cliffs Parish Council after 10am Mass.

Wed 30 Mar: Communal Reconciliation 7pm.

RCIA

Receiving Communion

Thursday 17th March 7pm, Monaghan Centre.



Sacred Heart Family Group
The Sacred Heart Family Group will be gathering at the Gateway for lunch on Sunday 20th March at noon. Please let Denise or Gerry know your intentions regards booking on 0350211918.



Ideas for Making the Most during Lent

Praying

Fasting

Volunteering

Almsgiving

Project Compassion Envelopes

Stations of the Cross:

Fridays from 6.45pm Indian Community. All welcome.

Friday from 7.30pm Tongan Community. All welcome.

Communal celebration of Reconciliation

Wed 30th March 7pm Sacred Heart Church Mildura.



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

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

Legion's of Mary: Tuesday after 6pm Mass



2nd Sunday of Lent
12th & 13th March



As a person with a disability living in remote India, Biru faced the prospect of a life of poverty and discrimination. With your support, he participated in entrepreneurship training and gained the skills to become financially independent.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.



Cuppa & Trading Stalls Mildura & Red Cliffs 13th March

This Sunday, a Cuppa and Trading stalls will be held in Mildura after the 9am Mass & Red Cliffs after the 10am Mass. Light refreshments will also be served with cuppa.

Seeking donations of produce: fruit, vegetables, plants, seedlings, **conserves:** jams, chutneys, relish, **baked goods:** cakes, biscuits, slices, bread etc. If these can be brought in on the day of the stall, it would be appreciated

Proceeds from the Mildura Trading Stall goes to The Shared Table and proceeds from the Red Cliffs Trading Stall this month will go to Project Compassion.

Musicians—Sacred Heart Church

A new music roster is about to be drawn up. If you would like to be on the roster, please let the parish office know by the end of this month. All newcomers will be welcome with open arms! For those already rostered, it will be presumed that you wish to continue unless you inform the office otherwise. Thank you all for your support.

Marion Guthrie



REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The Second Sunday of Lent celebrates the epiphanies of God, the ways in which God's divine presence is revealed. The first divine epiphany is the manifestation of God as one who initiates a covenant, an intimate relationship with human beings. Not only does God initiate this agreement, but God also seals it with blood, making it official. Although we ritualise our relationship with God in a religious setting, the call to enter into the covenant can come in the ordinary events of life. The important thing to remember about this covenant is that God enters into our lives and initiates the relationship. No life is too simple; no life is too busy. Human history in all of its contours is the setting for the encounter with God.

The glory of God is revealed in the transfigured Jesus, the one who discussed his suffering and death with Moses and Elijah. Lent is a time for us to enter into this suffering, not merely through reflection, prayer and penance, but concretely, by sharing in the suffering of the body of Christ. We see this suffering all around us.

God is revealed through women and men who live lives of Christian commitment. In those whose integrity strengthens us, in those whose religious sentiments inspire us, in those whose endurance gives us confidence. God is revealed in those who get involved in bettering the lives of others. God is revealed in very ordinary ways, if we but open our eyes to see.

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LOCAL NEWS

WEEKDAY MASSES

Changes to Weekday Mass times will be listed below

	MILDURA	RED CLIFFS	MERBEIN
MONDAY			
TUESDAY	6PM	9:30AM	
WEDNESDAY	9:30AM		
THURSDAY	FUNERAL 10AM	5:30PM	9:30AM
FRIDAY	6PM		
SATURDAY	9:30AM		

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)				

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: Moya Campbell, Margaret Mottram, Ruth Michel (Werrimull), Rosemary Byrne, Nancy Panuccio,

Merbein:

Red Cliffs: Maureen Pollock, Barry Crosbie

SUNRAYSA CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES FINANCE

Last week's collections	Mildura	Merbein	Red Cliffs
1 st Collection (supporting Priests & Presbytery)	\$1045.25	\$61.70	\$200.00
2 nd Collection (includes all EFT, DD & CC)	\$2247.35	\$207.50	\$218.00
Loose Plate	\$ 541.50	\$ 22.05	\$ 42.85

SONGS OF ITALY

Diva
In the Outback

22nd of April - Wentworth town hall - 7:00pm
24th of April - Grand hotel, Mildura
Chandelier Room - 2:30pm

Bella Italia Duo
Michelle Francis Cook (International Soprano)
Roxanne Viggiano (Piano Accompanist)

TICKETS AT DOOR \$45 / \$40 CONCESSION

Facebook page: <https://bit.ly/3Bunmi0w>



ROSTERS ALL CHURCHES

This weekend - 12th & 13th March 2022

Werrimull 5th Sunday of each month 11am

Mildura

Readers: Sat 6pm: G Huxtable

Sun 9am: P Issanchon

Sun 5pm: P Hammond

Eucharistic Ministers: x 3 people

Sat 6pm: J Deacon, A Greville, T Fatai

Sun 9am: C Howell, N Lewis, R Byra

Sun 5pm: M Irvin, S Hermans, N Kennedy

Music: Sat 6pm: Filipino Choir, M Issanchon

Sun 9am: M Sullivan, B Prescott, B Lewis

Sun 5pm: M Hammond, J Macri

Offertory Procession:

Sun 9am: L & C Welsh

Counting Team: Group 3—P McDonald

Irymple

Reader: P Riordan

Merbein

Reader: F Sabo

Offertory: J & A Ellis

Red Cliffs

Readers: P Hunt, M Monteleone

Music: Guitar

Offertory Procession: Lewis Family

Altar Servers:

Eucharistic Minister: N Kennedy

Church Cleaning: Volunteer

Flowers: Volunteer

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

Next weekend - 19th & 20th March 2022

Werrimull 5th Sunday of each month 11am

Mildura

Readers: Sat 6pm: K Quinlan

Sun 9am: Volunteer

Sun 5pm: Rosemarie Zalec

Eucharistic Ministers: x 3 people

Sat 6pm: A Naray & 2 volunteers please

Sun 9am: K Mapapalangi, R O'Callaghan,
J Webster

Sun 5pm: T Cirillo, J Zema, M Zema

Music: Sat 6pm: M Sullivan, J Ljubic

Sun 9am: Tongan Choir, M Guthrie

Sun 5pm: S Faita, L Duy, K Mapapalangi

Offertory Procession:

Sun 9am: L Belej

Counting Team: Group 4—Maria Roper

Irymple

Reader: G Schmidt

Merbein

Reader: V Knight

Offertory: C Knight & F Sabo

Red Cliffs

Readers: J Lewis, D Eagle

Music: Guitar

Offertory Procession: N Orr

Altar Servers:

Eucharistic Minister: M Monteleone

Church Cleaning: Volunteers

Flowers: Volunteer

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Next Weekends Readings: - 3rd Sunday of Lent Year C — 19th & 20th March 2022

1st Reading: 3:1-8, 13-15

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 102:1-4, 6-8, 11

Response: The Lord is kind and merciful.

2nd Reading: St Paul to the Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9



First Reading

Gen 15:5-12. 17-18

A reading from the book of Genesis

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied, 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms:

'To your descendants I give this land,
from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 26:1. 7-9. 13-14. R. v.1

(R.) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

1. The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life
before whom shall I shrink? (R.)
2. O Lord, hear my voice when I call;
have mercy and answer.
Of you my heart has spoken:
'Seek his face.' (R.)
3. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek,
hide not your face.
Dismiss not your servant in anger;
you have been my help. (R.)
4. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord! (R.)

ST JOSEPH'S
PRIMARY SCHOOL
RED CLIFFS
COMMUNITY CLUB
TRIVIA NIGHT!

Let's Travel
the WORLD

FRIDAY APRIL 1ST
AT ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL
17 FITZROY AVENUE, RED CLIFFS VIC 3496

Tickets can be purchased for \$20 by contacting Naomi at the school on 50241654.

Second Reading

Phil 3:20 – 4:1

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

Gospel Acclamation

Mt 17:5

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel

Lk 9:28-36

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

Enrol now
for 2023

ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE MILDURA

**OPEN
EVENING**

**TUESDAY 22 MARCH 2022
4PM-7PM**

**MERCY CAMPUS
TOURS**
CNR RIVERSIDE AVENUE
& ELEVENTH STREET

**ENRIGHT CAMPUS
TOURS**
154 TWELFTH STREET

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