



Sacred Heart Parish Mildura

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Office Hours: Tues—Fri 9am—4pm

**Our Lady of Lourdes
Werrimull**

**St. Francis Xavier
Elms Street, Irymple**

**Corpus Christi/ Year C -
28th & 29th May 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

Scripture Reading: Thurs 10:30 am - 20 Beasy Court

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: Merle Knights

ANNIVERSARIES:

Sunday 9am: Karen Belej (one month mass)

Sunday 5pm: Alex Pytel

Thursday 9.30am: Mavis Sullivan (birthday remembrance)

*(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.

Lourdes Stanislaus (Fr Neville's mother), 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, Sid Robinson, Judy Hunt, Teresa Panuccio, Geraldine Brunner, Hailey Crossan, Siliako Lolesio

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The gospel for today brings together elements that have traditionally formed part of Christian worship. In the first part of the story, Jesus welcomes those who follow him. He then speaks to them of God's kin-dom and heals those in need of healing. In the second part, he takes the loaves, blesses them, breaks them and puts them before the disciples who distribute the bread to the assembled people. All eat and are satisfied.



The second part of the story is full of Eucharistic symbolism. The setting is a "desert" place, recalling the wanderings of the Israelites in the desert of Sinai. The hunger of the people recalls God's care of Israel in the wilderness. God feeds God's people in the deserts of life, but only if those called to be disciples recognise their responsibility to be the hands of God. "Send them away" is one solution, clearly not the one preferred by Jesus. Rather, he says, "You give them something to eat". When the people sit down in circles and share their food, they find there is more than enough for everyone. They gather up the broken pieces, just as we must remember to gather up the pieces that so often go to waste.

Jesus' actions and words over the bread [and the fish] are echoed in the account of his final meal with the disciples: the bread broken and shared becomes his body broken and "given" for them. [In Mark's account, this final meal has been foreshadowed in the story of the unnamed woman whose actions of *breaking* an alabaster jar and *pouring* the precious ointment on the head of Jesus parallel Jesus' actions of *breaking* and *pouring*.]

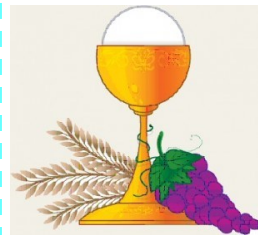
In the context of Eucharist, bread broken and wine poured out change their meaning. While all analogies fall short, we might begin to understand this mystery by thinking of the Eureka flag. The flag is constructed of fabric and thread, but it is no longer only the sum of its material parts, precious as these may be. The restored flag is housed in a special place in the Museum of Australian Democracy at Eureka and protected with the utmost care. Because of its associations with the Eureka rebellion and what that stands for in Australian history, it has taken on a meaning other than the goodness of the materiality of fabric and thread. In the celebration of Eucharist, the God-given gifts of bread and wine likewise become more than their material parts. They are Life for us, the shared life of the Risen Christ. Eucharistic life is covenanted life. Sharing in Eucharist means giving life for the sake of the many, sometimes to the point of heroism, sometimes simply by sharing our resources or our left-over pieces with others in need.

Veronica Lawson rsm

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & LITURGY

WEDDINGS

We congratulate Victor Caristo & Kasey Winton who were married this weekend.



FIRST EUCHARIST 2016

Congratulations to the children who will receive the Eucharist for the first time this weekend. Also to their parents and families who have accompanied them throughout their preparation for this Sacrament. As we know, the Eucharist is not a "one off sacrament". The invitation of Jesus is to be present each Sunday as the Community gathers to celebrate and His ongoing presence amongst us, and to be continually nourished with His life through our communion with Him in the Eucharist.

I thank all those who have assisted with the Sacramental Program this year, especially Jen Ditchfield and Maria-Stella Fuoco, the RECs of Sacred Heart and St. Paul's Primary Schools, as well as the parents who have helped with Home Groups, and also Fr. Elio Capra and Rose Marie Prosser for their contributions to the Parent Formation Sessions.

Fr. Michael McKinnon

FEAST OF ST ANTHONY

The Italian Community will be celebrating their annual Feast of St Anthony Mass on Sunday 12th June at 9am. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Elio Capra. Tickets for the raffle are now available at \$2.00 each.

All are invited to stay for the procession followed by morning tea (a plate to share would be greatly appreciated), pasta and BBQ lunch. Traditional Italian fare will be provided along with great entertainment and the drawing of the raffle. For more information or if you are able to help on the day please contact the Parish Office 5021 2872.



PARISH FINANCE

Last week's collections

1st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$1646.25
2nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$3199.00
Loose Plate	\$ 848.05

REGIONAL GATHERING



A special welcome and thank you to Fr. Richard Leonard SJ, Lorraine McCarthy and Clara Geoghegan who lead and accompany us throughout this weekend's Regional Gathering. Welcome to Parishioners from Ouyen, Red Cliffs and Merbein who gather with us for this Regional event. I am also very grateful to the Ballarat Diocesan Foundation for the financial support of this weekend's activities.

Fr. Michael McKinnon

COMMUNITY LIFE & OUTREACH

ANOINTING MASS

Will be held on Thursday 2nd June at 9.30am. All welcome.

ST ANTHONY COMMITTEE MEETING

Will be held on Thursday 9th June at KSC Clubrooms at 7pm.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL KIOSK

Now has new Rosaries, statues & Mass Books suitable for First Eucharist—the Kiosk is situated in the front foyer of the Church and is opened—Saturday after 6pm Mass and Sunday after 9am Mass.

UNI STUDENT REQUIRES ACCOMMODATION

A University Student studying in Mildura from Sri Lanka requires accommodation or if you can help to sponsor him \$20 / month or help with a part time / casual job (cleaning -if possible), please contact Ruvishka Ranpath Joseph please on: 0449 170 228 or email : ruviska.joseph@gmail.com and he is most grateful for the bike that he now has.



Sacred Heart Tennis – 2 JUNIOR girls are required to complete Sacred Hearts 16 teams - girls C & B grade who can play tennis or willing to learn will be happily received – unforeseen circumstances have left us short in these two grades -If you know of any girls who could help us out – we play Saturday mornings starting 9.00am finished by 11.00am. Competition has already started - we need players for next week – contact Merle Watson 50 232883 if interested.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

The next meeting of this group will be held on Wednesday June 15 at 7 pm in the Monaghan Centre. All welcome to explore ways of helping ourselves to live more responsibly and sustainably. Our current focus is on the devastation caused by the use of plastic bags. (Even the biodegradable ones)

The environmental impacts of plastic bag use include:

Danger to animal life, especially when they find their way into the sea.

Plastic bags are quite commonly mistaken for food by animals, especially when the bags carry food residues, are brightly coloured or are animated by the movement of water. A great variety of animals, land and especially marine, can choke to death on bags, experiencing much pain and distress. If swallowed whole, animals may not be able to digest real food and die a slow death from starvation or infection.

Litter problem

Plastic bags are a highly visible, ugly component of litter. Local and State Governments around Australia spend more than \$200 million per year picking up litter. If plastic bags continue to be used, the number of bags littering the environment will increase over time.

Loss of resources

Plastic bags are typically used for a short period of time but take hundreds of years to break down in landfill. While plastic bags can be recycled, only a tiny proportion of plastic bags are collected and reprocessed.

A lightweight plastic bag consumes about 4.5 times more energy in its manufacture than reusable 'green bags'. Check out the following web sites. <http://www.bagtheban.com>/<https://www.reusethisbag.com>.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

May 27 to June 3

This year's theme 'Our History, Our Story, Our Future' focuses on historical acceptance and reflects on the fact that the journey to reconciliation forms a significant part of Australia's history so it is important that we keep reconciliation in our thoughts as we move forward as a nation.

Youth Off The Streets has continually taken an active approach when responding to the needs of our Aboriginal communities, particularly the young people. Our approach has always been about identifying gaps in services available to Aboriginal youth, and establishing the support services that fulfil their needs so we can build a better future for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians.

Unfortunately, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population still suffer from a lower life expectancy, lower rates of literacy and general health and are over-represented in the justice system when compared to the non-indigenous population. We are trying to close this gap by working in partnership with Aboriginal Elders, local service providers, government departments and community members.

The aim is to have continual and lasting improvement in outcomes for the young people, families and communities involved. This holistic approach ensures that we equip members of the community with the tools to create positive change. We don't want to see Aboriginal young people over represented at our services any longer. We want them to be equal and have every chance at success.

There are two clear ways to do this:

Help Aboriginal young people connect with their culture and country and to get everyday Australians involved in Aboriginal issues.

Our vision is for all communities to work within a spirit of co-operation; accepting diversity, acknowledging strengths and supporting each other.

It's now up to everyone to come together and continue to work for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander equality. Committing extra resources to closing the gap as well as coming together as a nation to recognise a group of people is an achievable goal for next year's National Reconciliation Week.

Father Chris Riley, Chief Executive Officer and Founder at Youth Off The Streets

NEWS FROM ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

This week has been a very exciting and busy week at the College celebrating our Catholic Identity. This week the Ballarat Diocese schools celebrate Catholic Education Week. On Tuesday the local Grade Five students participated in a variety of educational engaging activities at the Mercy Campus. While on Tuesday evening both campuses opened their doors to the community for our Annual Open Day. Future students, parents and family members were shown around the College with pride by our current students. Student displays and activities showcased the Colleges educational programs and facilities.

While on Friday our Second Annual Combined Catholic Schools Mass was celebrated by Fr Michael McKinnon and Fr Damian Styles in the presence of some 1100 students, staff and community members. All schools were participated in the Mass through each schools' Choir, numerous student scripture readings and prayer. For information about the College for future enrolments please contact the College Front Office.

NEWS FROM OUR PRIMARY SCHOOL

SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

Catholic Education Week 2016: Face of Mercy

Welcome to Catholic Education Week for 2016!

Our theme this year, Face of Mercy, invites us to focus our attention on how we show mercy – a love that is generous and inclusive and empathetic and active - in our education communities and in our lives. Pope Francis, in declaring the Jubilee Year of Mercy invited us to live in the light of the word of the Lord: "Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful" (cf. Lk 6:36). Being the face of mercy is quite a challenge. It requires that we consider others, that we reach out a helping hand, that we walk with others, that we listen for what is needed rather than impose our own solutions... Ms Audrey Brown Director Catholic Education Office, Ballarat.

Mrs Maria Beer is such a true reflection and practice of the words above... We congratulate and thank Maria for providing 30 years of dedicated service to Catholic Education, and in particular our Sacred Heart community. Many more great years to come too... especially according to husband Rod!

We look forward to celebrating **Mass** and a **Tabloid Sports** this Friday 27th with our fellow Sunraysia Catholic Schools and their communities, at the SJC's Mercy Campus (Mass), and adjacent ovals (tabloid sports). *All*

A number of our students are preparing to celebrate their **First Eucharist** on the weekends of Sat 28th/Sun 29th May and Sat 4th/Sun 5th June at the 6pm and 9am Masses. Please keep these children in your prayers. Have a great week,

Des Lowry - Principal

ST PAULS PRIMARY SCHOOL

I had the pleasure of accompanying our senior school leaders to the GRIP Leadership Conference which was held in Mildura this week. We were one of many schools from the district as well as places such as Pomona, Loxton, Swan Hill and Moulamein. The children had a great day involved in a number of engaging activities that focused on their roles as leaders. There is a lot of follow up work back at school as they now begin the challenge of growing as leaders.

On Wednesday, the Yr 5 children spent the day at St Joseph's College as a part of their transition program; this coincided with St Joseph's Open Day. I'm sure many of our parents took the opportunity to attend the Open Day and view the facilities and learn about what they have to offer in Catholic Secondary Education.

On Friday we celebrated Catholic Education Week within Sunraysia. St Paul's, Sacred Heart, St Joseph's Red Cliffs, Our Lady's Merbein and St Joseph's College celebrated a special Mass at St Joseph's College Stadium, Mercy Campus. After Mass the children were involved in a number of tabloid sports activities culminating in a sausage sizzle for all the children and staff. A special thank you to the Knights of the Southern Cross for cooking for everyone.

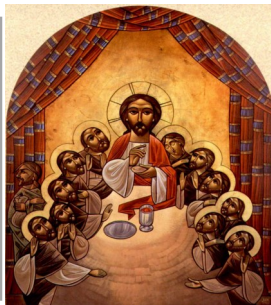
Congratulations to those children who are receiving the sacrament of First Eucharist this weekend. This is another important step in their journey of faith in the Catholic Church. I am sure it will be a wonderful celebration for them, their families and the Sacred Heart Parish community.

A reminder that we are still accepting enrolment enquiries for next year. If you have any friends or family members who have not begun the process of enrolment to please contact the office and book an appointment.

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

28th & 29th May, 2016			4th & 5th June, 2016		
THIS WEEK’S READINGS			NEXT WEEK’S READINGS		
First Reading: Gen 14:18-20 Resp Psalm: Ps 109:1-4. R. v. 4 Response: You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek Second Reading: 1 Cor 11:23-26 Gospel: Lk 9:11-17			First Reading: 1 Kings 17:17-24 Resp Psalm: Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13. R. v. 2 Response: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. Second Reading: Gal 1:11-19 Gospel: Lk 7:11-17		
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
Leo Kearney	Jill Joslyn	Bill Dolence	Trish McNamara	Talia Fainganuku	Sue Hermans
Margaret Sheahan	Lisa Cirillo	Jacqui Willis	Morris Henderson	Michael Fainganuku	Danielle Mazzini
Irene Morello	Katalina Mafi	Barbara Bunting	Ellen Frauenfelder	Maureen Speed	Nisa Abraham
Katy Quinlan	Aloisia Mafi	Katrina Groves	Maria Cirillo	Alicia Tindall	Greg Johnston
Taiana Fatai	Jean Rocca	Judy Hall	Anne-Maree Greville	Lily Tindall	Sandra Walker
Volunteer please	Bobby Castello	Myrna Rodi	Volunteer please	Peter O’Donnell	Mario Zema
	Ross Tongue			Filomena Carbone	
MUSIC			MUSIC		
First Eucharist	First Eucharist	M Sullivan	First Eucharist	First Eucharist	Youth Group
Youth Group	M Guthrie	J Macri	M Guthrie	M Sullivan	K Mafi
K Mafi	Sacred Heart School		Sacred Heart School	J Macri	
ALTAR SERVERS			ALTAR SERB PrescottVERS		
2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required
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
First Eucharist	First Eucharist		First Eucharist	First Eucharist	
READERS			READERS		
First Eucharist	First Eucharist	Barb Bunting	First Eucharist	First Eucharist	Tony Finn
COUNTING TEAM 1			COUNTING TEAM 2		
GERRY LAVERY 5021 1918			JOE DEJONG 5023 7802		
IRYMPLE - SUNDAY - 8.30AM			IRYMPLE - SUNDAY - 8.30AM		
READER	EUCHARIST MINISTER		READER	EUCHARIST MINISTER	
D Nichols	M Hill		K Modoo	Malcolm Hoy	