



Sacred Heart Parish Mildura

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**Our Lady of Lourdes
Werrimull**

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

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year C - 6th & 7th August 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: Colleen Curran
Rosina Pellegrino (Adelaide –sister of Jim Macri)

ANNIVERSARIES: Max Wilkinson

Saturday 6pm: Bob Brown

Sunday 9am: Angelo & Luigi Resta

Sunday 5pm: Jack, Margaret & Dennis Donnellon

(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), 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

The longer form of today's gospel brings together a number of loosely connected sayings of Jesus about trust and vigilance. Jesus addresses his disciples affectionately as a "little flock". There is no need for fear: God, their "father", has delighted in giving them "the kingdom" and they are to be generous in their turn. They are to sell their material possessions and give "alms" or, in a more



accurate translation of the Greek original, they are to use their resources to engage in "works of mercy" (*eleēmosunē*). Their security resides in Jesus' assurance: "Where your treasure (or treasury) is, there your heart will be also." The parental and affectionate language of the opening verses is in sharp contrast with the violent imagery of the latter part of the gospel reading. Contrary to what some have argued in the past, the murderous slave master who cuts recalcitrant slaves into pieces can never be understood as a gospel image of God. The Lukan Jesus is simply engaging his hearers' experience of slavery to make a point about the need for attentiveness to the demands of the gospel. The vigilant slave is said to be "blessed" or "happy" or "privileged". From a contemporary perspective, it seems strange indeed to speak of a slave as fortunate. As the story unfolds, we realise that the slave's is a relative happiness vis-à-vis the fate of the other slaves.

The shorter form of the gospel in 12:35-40 presents a very strange teaching that would surely have brought smiles all round, if not outright laughter, from its earliest hearers. The word picture that Luke paints is simply not credible in a first century setting where slavery was taken for granted and where the respective roles of masters and slaves were characterised more by extreme violence than by mutuality of any sort. The disciples are told to be like slaves who keep vigil all night long as they await the return of their master from a wedding banquet. Their function is to open the door when he knocks and, if they are awake enough to perform this function, there will be an extraordinary reversal of roles: the slaves will sit down at table while the master assumes the role of slave and serves their meal.

The disciples are being prepared for Jesus' announcement later in the narrative that he is among them as one who serves. They need to understand that something extraordinary is happening, even more extraordinary than the slave-master banquet scenario might suggest. God's way of being in the world is full of healing experiences and life-enhancing surprises. The final verses of the shorter reading shift to the image of the thief in the night. They are also about vigilance, being watchful and alert so as not to be taken by surprise in the final reckoning.

Veronica Lawson rsm

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & LITURGY

ADDITIONAL WEEKDAY MASSES

There will be an additional weekday Mass this week to commemorate the Feast of Mary Mackillop on Monday 8th August at 9.30am.

On Monday the 15th August we will celebrate the Feast of the Assumption, which the Church still places significant importance. Mass will be held at 9.30am and 7pm.



MARY MACKILLOP FEAST DAY

The Knights of the Southern Cross are sponsoring the Feast Day Celebration of St Mary Mackillop on Saturday 6th August at 6pm. Mass followed by a procession to the Sacred Heart Hall and entertainment. A BBQ tea will be provided. Everybody most welcomed to attend.



MOTHER MARY'S ASSUMPTION & INDIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION 2016

Will be held at the Sacred Heart Church on Sunday 14th August. Holy Mass at 9am. Free food and soft drinks will be provided after the Mass. All welcome.

*Organised by the Kerala
Community*



MUSICIANS

Please return your music copyright sheets for the last 12 months to the parish office by Friday 12th August.

PARISH FINANCE

Last week's collections

1st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$1034.85
2nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$2434.50
Loose Plate	\$ 554.30

COMMUNITY LIFE & OUTREACH

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS

Will hold their monthly meeting on Monday 8th August at 6pm for a BBQ with our state Chairman followed by meeting at 7.30pm in the KSC Clubrooms.

REGIS TENTH AGED CARE MASS

Will be held on Tuesday 9th August at 2pm. All welcome.

SACRED HEART LADIES SOCIAL GROUP

Will meet in the Monaghan Centre for a cuppa on Tuesday 9th August at 2pm. All welcome

WE ARE CHURCH

Life can be full of different activities and there are many unsung heroes within our Parish who work behind the scenes and in the public eye for the kingdom of God. Part of our Parish outreach that creates a flourishing parish, are the different ministries that help foster the message of Christ in people's lives and supports us to live Christ in action within our community.

Having a snap shot look at some of the ministries and groups within the Parish you might find your talents and time may suit these groups.

Liturgy Ministries

Altar Server, Children's Liturgy, Church décor, Collector, Extraordinary Eucharist Minister, Lector (Reader), Liturgy Ministry, Musicians, Offertory, Sacramental Team, Sacristy Assistance, Welcoming at Mass, just to name a few.

Pastoral

Bereavement Group, Communion to the sick, Cuppa after Mass, Home/Hospital visits, Nursing Home visits, St Vincent de Paul, Transport to Mass, Soup Kitchen

Administration

Counting team, Working Bees, Officer Assistance (folding/ stapling etc)

Maintenance

Church Cleaning, Gardening, Painting/repairs, Risk assessment, Working bees.

Education – Formation

Baptism Preparation, Post Baptism (Godstart), Social Justice Group, RCIA, FOCCUS – Marriage Preparation

Parish Groups

Charismatic Prayer Group, St Anthony Committee, Women's Social Group, Passionist Family Group, Youth Group, Knights of the Southern Cross, Meditation, Walnut BCC, Book Club, Walking Group.

Do any of these groups appeal to you, for more information or expressions of interest contact the Parish Office.



UPDATE ON FR MICHAEL'S TRAVEL

He will be in Italy by this weekend and nearing the final stages of his 2000km pilgrims path.

FR DAMIAN'S RANDOM THOUGHTS

CATHOLICISM SERIES BISHOP ROBERT BARRON DVD



Episode 6: "A body both Suffering and Glorious: The mystical Union of Christ and the Church".

Will be screened in the Monaghan Centre on Wednesday 10th August after the 9.10am Mass.

WHO INSPIRES YOU

Since the choice of heroes, models and leaders can have a lasting effect on the development of one's personality and life, the Church has always placed before the eyes of the faithful the example of holiness set by the saints. In the first Preface of the Mass for Holy Men and Women we read: "In their lives on earth you give us an example. In our communion with them you give us their friendship. In their prayer for the Church you give us strength and protection." Moreover, as the Second Vatican Council put it, "every act of love offered by us to those who are in heaven tends to and terminates in Christ, 'the crown of all the saints, and through him in God who is wonderful in his saints and is glorified in them.'"

Saints this week: Monday St Mary of the Cross
Tuesday St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
Wednesday St Lawrence
Thursday St Clare
Friday St Jane Frances de Chantal
Saturday Sts Pontian and Hippolytus

JOKE

One Sunday morning, Fr Michael noticed little Damian standing in the foyer of the church staring up at a large plaque. It was covered with names with small Australian flags mounted on either side of it.

The seven year old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the priest walked up, stood beside the little boy, and said quietly, "Good morning Damian."

"Good morning Father," he replied, still focused on the plaque. "Father, what is this?" he asked the priest.

The priest said, "Well, son, it's a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the service".

Soberly, they just stood together, staring at the large plaque.

Finally, little Damian's voice, barely audible and trembling with fear, asked, "Which service, the 6 o'clock or the 9 o'clock"?



NEWS FROM OUR PRIMARY SCHOOL

SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

This Saturday evening the Sacred Heart Parish will be celebrating the **St Mary of the Cross Mackillop Mass** at 6pm. It will be followed by various foods for dinner and some entertainment. We encourage students and families to come along and be part of this celebration.

We are so proud of our brilliant **Sacred Heartbusters Chess Team**. These chess masters once again came second in their division of the tournament and they also broke the record for the number of individual medallists! What a terrific effort. Well done also to Coach Rutherford.

Well done to our **SHPS Senior Boys Football Team** on their performance in Swan Hill at the Regional Finals. They played very well against much bigger opposition and had a couple of wins.

A very clever, informative and most entertaining assembly by Mootwingee last week! Mrs Beer told me that their assembly was going to be 'Out of this world'... and she was right! Have a great week,

Des Lowry — Principal

ST PAULS PRIMARY SCHOOL

As I sit here typing away in cold, wintry Ballarat, I have an opportunity to reflect on the journey made so far with our learning and teaching at St Paul's. It is both rewarding and reaffirming to consider the growth made by our children and staff in their learning together. The last two days have been focused on how we as educators can respond to the learning of our children in a systematic and timely manner with support. Members of our leadership team have been involved in rich discussions on how to improve best practice in teaching and more importantly the collective belief that ALL children can learn at high levels.

Our journey as a Professional Learning Community whilst very short has seen many improvements already. We will continue to refine our processes to ensure we meet the high standards we have set for ourselves and our children.

Friday saw our third session of Flying Start at school. It's a pleasure to see the little smiling faces wandering around the school getting to see all the wonderful learning that happens at St Paul's. As always, Keep the Faith

Vince Muscatello—Principal

NEWS FROM ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

Week Four of Term Four has been a very busy week for our students. Last weekend our College Performing Arts department showcased the play *Hating Ashley Alison*. An amazing display of talent from our drama students who were supported by just as amazing staff. The College would like to thank both staff and students involved in the production. We all look forward to the 2017 Production! Our second Deb Ball for the Year was also held on Saturday night just past. A huge thanks to the debts and their partners, the Ball Committee and Dancing Instructors for all their hard work.

Finally at school this week we have been celebrating LOTE week with music, food and quizzes. Congratulations to our LOTE department for all their work in planning this week's activities. A special thanks to artist Kerren Miles for her expert mosaic skills for the Mosaic panels to be displayed in our new Tuscan inspired courtyard.

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

6th & 7th August, 2016			13th & 14th August, 2016		
THIS WEEK’S READINGS			NEXT WEEK’S READINGS		
First Reading: Wis 18:6-9 Resp Psalm: Ps 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22. R. v. 12 Response: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own. Second Reading: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 Gospel: Lk 12:32-40			First Reading: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Resp Psalm: Ps 39:2-4, 18. R. v. 14 Response: Lord, come to my aid! Second Reading: Heb 12:1-4 Gospel: Lk 12:49-53		
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	Maria Scopacasa	Sue Hermans	Trish McNamara	Narie Lewis	Josie Zema
Margaret Sheahan	Susan Lewis	Danielle Mazzini	Morris Henderson	Renata Byra	Trish Cirillo
Irene Morello	Minda Wright	Nisa Abraham	Ellen Frauenfelder	Kapeli Mapapalangi	Jeena Jose
Katy Quinlan	Johanna Bagacay	Greg Johnston	Maria Cirillo	Sonia Opie	Joyce Ribarits
Taiana Fatai	Rose Op’t Hoog	Sandra Walker	Anne-Maree Greville	Phillip Opie	Clem Carlucci
Volunteer please	Rini Op’t Hoog	Mario Zema	Volunteer please	Catherine McErvale	Vittorio Carlucci
	Cora Howell			Elvira Mazza	
MUSIC			MUSIC		
Mary Mackillop	Italian Choir	Youth Group	Filipino Group	Indian Celebration	M Sullivan
KSC	N Armsden	K Mafi	N Armsden	Independence Day	J Macri
				Mother Mary	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
Mary Mackillop	Catherine/Paul		Baptism	Indian Community	
Feast Day KSC	McErvale				
READERS			READERS		
KSC	Maureen Speed	Sue Hermans	Anita Naray	Indian Community	Barb Kelly
COUNTING TEAM 1			COUNTING TEAM 2		
GERRY LAVERY 5021 1918			JOE DE JONG 5023 7802		
IRYMPLE - SUNDAY - 8.30AM			IRYMPLE - SUNDAY - 8.30AM		
READER	EUCHARIST MINISTER		READER	EUCHARIST MINISTER	
J Kearney	M Jensen		D Nichols	P Riordan	