

MILDURA CATHOLIC PARISH

Stewardship 2019

My dear friends,

We are now eighteen months into our three year **Parish Stewardship Program** and it is appropriate we review our progress at this point.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment. If you are not already part of our Program and would like to make a contribution, you are asked to do so at all Masses on the weekend of **Saturday 2 & Sunday 3 March.** If you will not be at Masses that weekend, please return your completed pledge to the Sacred Heart Parish Office no later than **4pm Wednesday 6 March.**

May God continue to bless you and your family,

Father Michael McKinnon



WHAT IS MY STEWARDSHIP RESPONSIBILITY TO OUR PARISH?

• To Celebrate Faith

By joyfully celebrating the Eucharist & the Sacraments

• To Value Engagement

By being actively involved in parish groups & ministries

To Support Generously

Through my generous financial contribution to our Stewardship Program

"Once one chooses to become a Disciple of Jesus Christ - Stewardship is not an option"
The late Bishop Thomas Murphy

THANK YOU!

As a result of your generous response to our Stewardship Program in August 2017 we continue to achieve a great deal. Here's a brief summary:

Our Recent Capital Improvements

- Air conditioning installed in part of Parish Office & painting of some rooms (ongoing)
- Debt on Monaghan Centre down to \$80, 411.90

But there is still much to be done. We need your <u>renewed</u> support so we can continue to provide the practical & pastoral resources for our great parish.

Practical Priorities - next 12 - 18 months Mildura:

- Re stumping and carpeting of Church
- Complete air conditioning in Parish Office
- Maintenance on Church grounds

Red Cliffs:

Church Ceiling

Merbein:

Church Maintenance

Ouyen:

Church Maintenance

Pastoral Priorities - next 12 - 18 months

- Continue strong emphasis on engagement with our younger families - particularly those with children at our parish Primary School through Sacramental Programs
- Encourage more involvement in parish ministries—especially Marriage Preparation, Youth Activities & Liturgical Ministries
- Develop Regional Programs for Lay Leadership in our 4 Parishes
- Continue our fundraising efforts

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP INCOME

Mildura: Income Pledged at Program (3.9.17) \$ 3,788

Income Received (30.6.18 - 31.12.18) \$ 3,252

Merbein: Income Pledged at Program (3.9.17) \$ 297

Income Received (30.6.18 - 31.12.18) \$ 243

Red Cliffs: Income Pledged at Program (3.9.19) \$ 561

Income Received (30.6.18 - 31.12.18) \$ 437

- Stewardship Income is our major source of parish income
- We are retaining a healthy % of our pledged income—it is now time to recommit
 and welcome those joining the Program for the very first time

Thank you in advance for your continued support!



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