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Sts Anne and Joachim
CATHOLIC PARISH OF SUNRAYSA

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Sunday 18th August 2024 | Edition 33/2024

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

MASS TIMES

Monday

2pm Funeral Mass (Beulah)

Tuesday - St Bernard of Clairvaux

9.30am ~~Red Cliffs~~

6pm Mildura

Wednesday - St Pius X

2pm Mildura (Anointing Mass)

Thursday - BVM, Mother & Queen

9.30am Merbein

9:30am Mildura

5:30pm Red Cliffs

Friday - St Rose of Lima

6pm Mildura

Saturday - St Bartholomew

9:30am Mildura

6pm Mildura

Sunday - 21st Sunday Ordinary Time

8:30am Irymple

9am Mildura

10am Red Cliffs

10:30am Merbein

5pm Mildura

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 4:30pm-5:15pm, Mildura

Friday, 5pm-5:45pm, Mildura

Saturday 10am-11am, Mildura

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

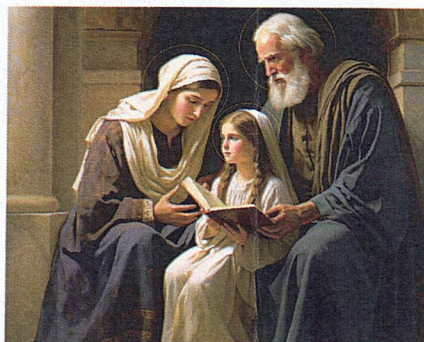
Tuesday 4pm-5:15pm, Mildura

CHILDREN'S CATECHESIS

Saturday 10am, Mildura

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Saturday 11:30am, Mildura



LET US PRAY

FOR THE SICK:

Dien Brown, Mary Mazza

Teresa Camarotto

Catherine Bell

James & Karlee Bowring

Don Marciano

Clive Simpson

Rodrico Rodriguez

Please obtain permission if you are submitting another's name. Intentions are printed for one month only, but can be renewed each month.

RECENT DEATHS:

Ethel Abernethy

Joe Camera, Ivan Legin

Edna Lancaster

ANNIVERSARIES:

Dominic Maruzza

Mildura Saturday 6pm:

Nick Rodi (1 yr anniversary)

Mildura Sunday 9am:

Maria Manno (1 yr anniversary)

Dennis Ryan, Pericles Galon,

Ramon & Alice Echanes,

Santiago & Roquiza Coquilla

Merbein:

Kathleen Nicolaou

David McCarthy

Red Cliffs:

Giuseppe & Maria D'Anna

Domenico & Caterina D'Anna

Cecilia & Domenica D'Anna

Giuseppe D'Anna

Vincenza Tassone

If you have booked a memorial Mass please speak to the priest prior to the Mass.

FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST

'Taste and see the goodness of the Lord' is today's response. Through life we experience the goodness of God, in the people we meet and encounter. I get reminded of the goodness of God when I am cooking. To use different produce and create something is the gift we can share. Family and friends coming together and spending time together is enriching and life giving. This reminds us of the living bread which we have as is our message in the Gospel.

Fr John and Fr Matthew will be in Horsham on Tuesday for a Zone Meeting. Please note changes that the 9.30am mass and 4pm adoration will be cancelled. 6pm mass still happening.

This week Deacon Cay is away on retreat in preparation for his up and coming ordination. Let's keep him in our prayers.

I am able to resume some light duties this week, I am still not yet back to full strength and capacity. So please be patient if things might need to change at the last minute.

God Bless,

Fr Matthew

EVENTS IN AUGUST

Tuesday 20th – Northern Zone meeting in Horsham
No morning Masses. No Adoration or Confession.

Wednesday 28th – Baptism Preparation
6:30pm Meeting in Monaghan Centre

Wednesday 28th – First Communion Preparation
7pm Meeting in Sacred Heart Church

Wednesday 4th–Bereavement Team Meeting
1pm–Parish Office

Monday 9th–Knights of the Southern Cross Meeting
7.30pm–KSC Clubrooms

INVITATION

Join us as we celebrate 50 years of Catholic Education at St Paul's Primary School, Mildura.

When: Friday 11th October 2024

Where: St Paul's Primary School, Fourteenth St.

Who: Anyone who has been involved in St Paul's!

Time	Event
12.15pm	Mass- Whole school celebration in the hall (please book ticket)
1.30 pm	Celebration Cake Ceremony / Time Capsule
2pm – 3.25pm	Afternoon Tea (please book ticket)
2.25pm – 3.25pm	Guests and visitors- welcome to wander through the school- Displays
6.30pm onwards	Reunion Dinner- In the School Multipurpose Hall (Cost \$40 per head) Entrée, Main and Dessert (Anniversary Cake- Tea & Coffee provided)
Saturday 12th October 2024	
9.30am- 11.30am	Open Tours for guests and visitors



Please book if you are attending Mass, Afternoon Tea and/or Dinner on

<https://www.trybooking.com/CUIHQ> or QR code



PLANNED GIVING



Our current Planned Giving cycle will end next weekend 25th August. Our next cycle will commence on 1st September.

Your new envelopes and receipts will be available to collect from this weekend 17th & 18th August.

**GRATEFUL
AND
GENEROUS**

If you are able to collect on behalf of other family and friends please do so as this will save us postage.

If you would like to join our planned giving program or need to change any details regarding your current contributions, change of contact details, residential addresses, etc please contact the Parish Office asap so our database can be updated.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND



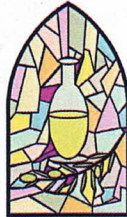
We welcome into our parish community:

 **Willow Tuccio**

 **Eliana Halup**

who are baptised this weekend.

ANOINTING MASSES



Wed 28 Aug: 2pm, Sacred Heart, Mildura

Tue 3 Sep: 11am, Jacaranda Red Cliffs

Thu 12 Sep: 5.30pm, St J.'s, Red Cliffs

Tue 17 Sep: 1pm, Princes Crt, Mildura

Thu 19 Sep: 9.30am, OLSH, Merbein

Tue 24 Sep: 1pm, Bupa Aged Care,

UPCOMING SACRAMENTS

First Communion. (Gr. 4 and above)



Parent meeting: 28th August 7pm, Sacred Heart Church.

First Communion Masses: Friday 25th Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th October. All churches.

First Reconciliation (Gr. 2 and above)



Parent meeting: 16th October 7pm, Sacred Heart Church.

Celebration date: Wednesday 27th November 6pm or 7pm, at Sacred Heart Church.

Join us as we farewell the
Sisters of Mercy

and celebrate 119 years of their service and accomplishment in the Sunraysia region.

Save the date. Details to follow.
Sunday 29 September 2024
sunraysia@ballarat.catholic.org.au



FAREWELL THE SISTERS OF MERCY

Later this year, Sr Patricia Fitzgibbon will move to a Mercy community in Melbourne. With this occurring we in Sunraysia will no longer have the presence of residential Sisters of Mercy. To acknowledge and celebrate 119 years of dedicated service, leadership, and education that they have shared, we will be celebrating them all with mass at 9am and lunch to follow. Please contact the office to RSVP for lunch numbers.

SUNRAYSIA PIETY SHOPS

Mildura's "pop-up" piety table will operate this Sunday after 9am Mass and Red Cliffs piety operates every Sunday after 10am Mass. Columban Calendars for 2025 are now available for \$9 each.

DIOCESAN SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION REFLECTION



The Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission invite **all members of the diocese** to a Reflection Day, in celebration of the launch of the Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2024-2025 on Saturday, September 7, 2024 from 10.00am - 2.30pm at Ss Michael and John's Horsham Parish Centre. Facilitator for the day is writer and educator, Michael McGirr. Registrations are essential through trybooking. Scan or click the QR code.

Be part of the Good News

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By opening an account with CDF Community Fund you can save for a greater reward. Help build classrooms for students, places of worship for communities, hospital wings for the sick, aged care homes for the elderly and social service facilities for the vulnerable.



Visit catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund/offer to open an account and for disclosure details, or scan the QR code.

To arrange a meeting via appointment, contact Bernard Docherty on 0428 890 185



*rate subject to change. Interest paid on maturity



STEWARDSHIP

Priest Support (Presbytery) Cash (1 st Collection); Tap & Go	\$2274.65
Mission, Admin & Maintenance Envelopes, EFT, DD and CC	\$5891.75
Mission, Admin & Maintenance Cash (2 nd Collection Loose Plate)	\$ 949.65

This week's Counting Team:
No. 1—G Lavery

Next week's Counting Team:
No. 2 — R Tongue

FIRST READING

Proverbs 9:1-6

A reading from the book of Proverbs

Come and eat my bread; drink the wine I have prepared.

Wisdom has built herself a house, she has erected her seven pillars, she has slaughtered her beasts, prepared her wine, she has laid her table. She has despatched her maidservants and proclaimed from the city's heights: 'Who is ignorant? Let him step this way.' To the fool she says, 'Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared! Leave your folly and you will live, walk in the ways of perception.'

RESPONSORIAL

Ps 33:2-3. 10-15. R. v.9

(R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **(R.)**
2. Revere the Lord, you his saints.
They lack nothing, those who revere him.
Strong lions suffer want and go hungry
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.
3. Come children, and hear me
that I may teach you the fear of the Lord.
Who is he who longs for life
and many days, to enjoy his prosperity? **(R.)**
4. Then keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from speaking deceit.
Turn aside from evil and do good;
seek and strive after peace. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:15-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Be watchful that you may know the will of God.

Be very careful about the sort of lives you lead, like intelligent and not like senseless people. This may be a wicked age, but your lives should redeem it. And do not be thoughtless but recognise what is the will of the Lord. Do not drug yourselves with wine, this is simply dissipation; be filled with the Spirit. Sing the words and tunes of the psalms and hymns when you are together, and go on singing and chanting to the Lord in your hearts, so that always and everywhere you are giving thanks to God who is our Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 6:56

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who eat my flesh and drink my blood
live in me and I in them, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 6:51-58

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

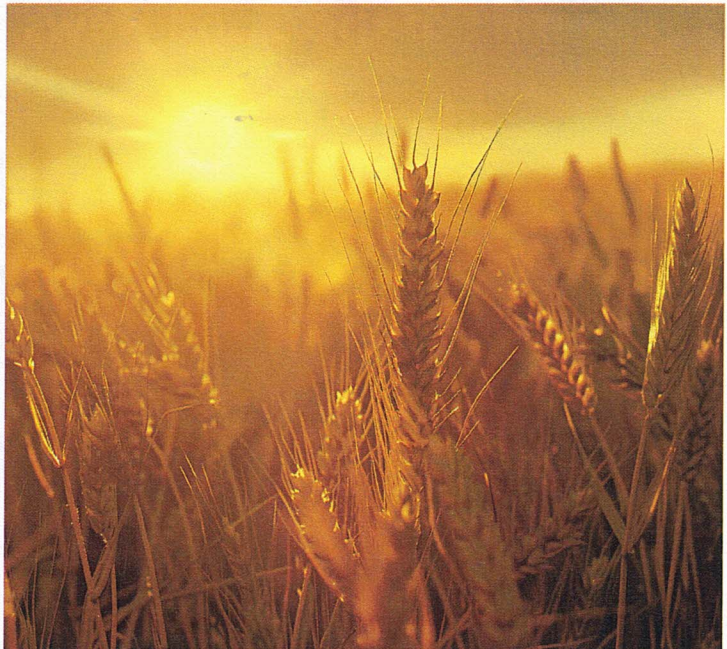
My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Jesus said to the crowd: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you.'

'Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.'

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS	PARISH TEAM	
<p>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18 Responsorial Psalm: Ps 33:2-3, 16-23. R. v.9 Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord. Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32 Gospel: John 6:60-69</p>	<p>Parish Priest: Fr Matthew Thomas Assistant Priest: Fr John Corrigan Deacon: Rev Cay Trinh</p>	<p>Visiting Priest: Fr Shaiju Mathew Parish Secretary: Carmel Russo Child Safety Officer: Vince Pileggi</p> <p>WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH. Sts Anne and Joachim Catholic Parish of Sunraysia adheres to Victoria's eleven Child Safe Standards. Our policies are on display in each church and on our website.</p>