

ST FRANCIS XAVIER
2 Elms Street, Irymple

OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART
20 Box Street, Merbein

SACRED HEART
261 Eleventh Street, Mildura

ST JOSEPH'S
8726 Calder Highway, Red Cliffs

OUR LADY OF LOURDES
47 Werrimull South Road, Werrimull

Sts Anne and Joachim CATHOLIC PARISH OF SUNRAYSLIA

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Sunday 20th October 2024 | Edition 42/2024

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

MASS TIMES

Monday -
No Mass

Tuesday
6pm Mildura

Wednesday
9.30am Mildura

Thursday
9:30am Merbein
9:30am Mildura
5:30pm Red Cliffs

Friday -
6pm Mildura

Saturday
9:30am Mildura
6pm Mildura

Sunday - 30th in Ordinary Time
8:30am Irymple
9am Mildura
10am Red Cliffs
10:30am Merbein
5pm Mildura

RECONCILIATION (MILDURA)

Tuesday 4:30pm – 5:15pm
Friday 5pm – 5:45pm
Saturday 10am – 11am

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:

Mick Joslyn, David Adolph
Mary Mazza, Mary Grevic
Clive Simpson,
James & Karlee Bowring
Teresa Camarotto
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:

William White,
Scott Pollock, John Nihill (Ouyen)
Gary Knight, Maria Parente (Italy)

ANNIVERSARIES:

Fr Frank Monaghan

Mildura Sunday 5pm:

Bruno Timpano
Domenica Ficarra

Merbein:

Patrick Olden
George Kremor
Peter Blyth
Mona Wells
Peg Di Mase

Red Cliffs:

Giuseppe & Maria D'Anna
Domenico & Caterina D'Anna
Cecilia & Domenicoa D'Anna
Vincenza Tassone
Giuseppe D'Anna

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

FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST

Lord, Let your mercy be on us as we place our trust in you.

Trusting in God enables us to fully experience his mercy and love. We have certain members of our family, friendship group and community that we trust. Some its by their occupation others its because of the relationship we have with them. What is it like with God? We know that his trust is always offered and he engages us in times of need to turn to him and in times of celebration be open to share the joyful exchange as well. How do I respond when the trust of a family member or friend is damaged? How does it repair? How do I find God in this time of my life?

This weekend Fr John and myself will be talking about Holy Communion. We also have a letter from the Bishop explaining the importance of the eucharist and how to receiving it.

Year 12 students finish this week and commence exams we wish them all the best for the next three weeks.

God bless,

Fr Matthew

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

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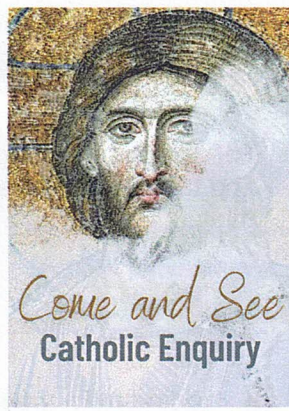
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RCIA PROGRAM

Our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults program commences this week, and will culminate in adult Baptisms and Confirmation at Easter. Please recommend the program to interested parties, and invite them to contact the parish office.



MISSION SUNDAY



Catholic Mission invites us to celebrate World Mission Month: "Together, we have the power to create change and build a more just world for people everywhere. By supporting missionaries in their work, we can create life-changing opportunities for countless children, families, and communities worldwide. Join us in making a difference for our sisters and brothers." Pope Francis has recently published his messages for World Mission Month and World Mission Sunday, which is celebrated today. Read both of these messages at <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/worldmissionmonth>

COMMUNION FROM THE CHALICE

In the diocese of Ballarat, communities may reintroduce the option of communion from the chalice from 1st November this year.



Bishop Paul has prepared some reflections on the communion with Christ that we celebrate in the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine. Copies of this document are available in all our churches, which you are free to take home and read. Bishop Paul's article is also available online: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/reflections-on-communion-from-the-chalice/

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S WEEK OCTOBER 19-27, 2024

Children's Week is a national celebration which recognises the talents, skills, achievements and rights of children. The theme for Children's Week 2024 is "Children have the right to a clean and safe environment". The Victorian Government is supporting more than 200 free Children's Week events and activities for Victorian families with children aged up to 12 years. This gives families the opportunity to enjoy fun, engaging and educational experiences. More information is available at <https://www.vic.gov.au/childrens-week>

Prayer for children in our parishes:

That we may all work collaboratively to ensure the happiness and confidence of every child and foster an environment of safety and protection where children flourish. Let us pray to the Lord



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By opening a savings account or Term Investment, not only will you receive a competitive financial return, your savings will also help build parishes, classrooms, hospital wings, aged care homes and social service facilities.

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STEWARDSHIP

Priest Support (Presbytery) Cash (1 st Collection); Tap & Go	\$2724.45
Mission, Admin & Maintenance Envelopes, EFT, DD and CC	\$3111.00
Mission, Admin & Maintenance Cash (2 nd Collection Loose Plate)	\$1854.95

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

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

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FIRST READING

Isaiah 53:10-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, and have long life.

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.

If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content. By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22. R. v.22

(R.) Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **(R.)**
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love. to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **(R.)**
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 4:14-16

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Let us be confident in approaching the throne of grace.

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mark 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia!

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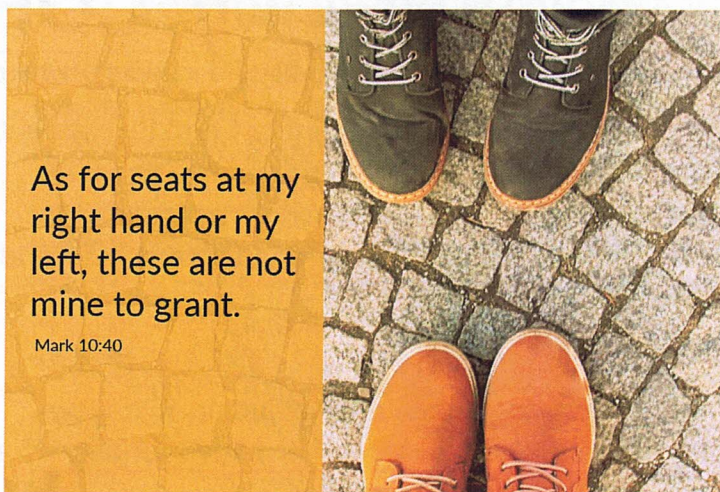
Mark 10:35-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for all.

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them: 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 125. R. v. 3

Response: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr Matthew Thomas

Assistant Priest: Fr John Corrigan

Deacon: Rev Cay Trinh

Visiting Priest: Fr Shaiju Mathew

Parish Secretary: Carmel Russo

Child Safety Officer: Vince Pileggi

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.