

Sunraysia Catholic Communities



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Sacred Heart
Mildura

Our Lady of Lourdes
Werrimull

St. Francis Xavier
Irymple

St. Joseph's
Red Cliffs

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
Merbein

The Sunraysia Catholic Communities are committed to ensure the safety of all children and vulnerable people in our care.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Changes to Weekday Mass times will be listed under Parish Heading

	MILDURA	RED CLIFFS	MERBEIN
MONDAY		9:30AM	
TUESDAY	6:00PM	5:30PM	
WEDNESDAY	9:15AM	9:30AM	
THURSDAY	9:15AM	5:30PM	9:15AM
FRIDAY	5:40PM	9:30AM	
SATURAY	9:30AM	9:30AM	

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

	IRYMPLE	MILDURA	RED CLIFFS	MERBEIN
SATURDAY		6:00PM		
SUNDAY	8:30AM	9:00AM	10:00AM	10:30AM
		5:00PM		

WERRIMULL 11:00AM (LAST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH)

MILDURA

Recent Deaths: Vita (Josie) Minorchio, Margaret Mason, Analatu Toutai

Anniversaries:

Irymple 8.30am: Mona Welsh

Sunday 9am: Josepha Porter (nee Copperstone), Anniversary of Bergen/Belsen (WW2 Jewish War Camp)

Friday 5.40pm: Domenico Blefari (30 day Mass)

Saturday 9.30am: Maria Kondratow

RED CLIFFS

Recent Death: Michael Alexander

Anniversaries: Giuseppe & Maria D'Anna, Domenico & Caterina D'Anna, Cecilia & Domenica D'Anna, Vencenza Tassone

MERBEIN

Recent Death: Maureen Maynard

Anniversaries: June 10, Robert Blyth; Richard Murphy Snr. and special anniversary Mass for Guisippe Chiera

Our Parish Schools

Sacred Heart Mildura Principal: Des Lowry 5023 1204

St Paul's Mildura Principal: Vince Muscatello 5023 4567

OLSH Merbein Principal: Narelle Gallagher 5025 2258

St. Joseph's Red Cliffs Principal: Mark Gibson 5024 1654

St. Joseph's Secondary College Mildura

Principal: Marg Blythman 5018 8000

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year B 9th & 10th June 2018

Name calling is an age old device used to discredit enemies. Politicians are adept at finding labels with which to discredit their opponents. Sometimes the labels stick and often have the effect of destroying good people. In today's gospel, Jesus is subjected to the worst of all imaginable taunts or labels: he is said to be possessed by Beelzebub, the prince of demons. The story belongs within a trajectory of growing hostility towards him from the authorities.

Mark has presented Jesus as the Christ or Messiah, as God's Son who is authorised to usher in God's empire of reconciliation and peace. Jesus is the "stronger one" (1:7) who will destroy the powers of evil. He invites others to join him in his mission of healing, of proclaiming God's reign and of driving out demons. Those on the edge of Palestinian society flock to him for healing. The religious authorities, on the other hand, find themselves challenged, even threatened, by Jesus' growing popularity and his perceived challenge to their strict interpretation of aspects of the Mosaic Law. Such practices as dining with those considered to be "sinners" and permitting his hungry disciples to pluck grain on the Sabbath, for instance, are met with hostile responses from the religious authorities.

For Jesus, always the faithful Jew, the Law was established for humans, not humans for the Law and he is not afraid to say so. Early in his ministry, opposition has built to a point that traditional enemies, the Pharisees and the Herodians, join forces to find a way of destroying him. The surprise is that members of Jesus' biological family now get involved in the attempts to put a halt to his mission, even if their motives differ from those of the Jerusalem "scribes" who bring the charge of demon-possession. One factor to consider is that the family's honour is at stake. Another factor is the family's concern that Jesus and his disciples were failing to take care of themselves. The demands were such that "they could not even eat". Even if well-motivated, they want "to seize him" because they consider him to be "out of his mind". Jesus' biological family thus falls into the trap of taking responsibility for him instead of supporting him to pursue his dream.

Mark often places a story within a story. In this instance, the story within is the challenge from the scribes and of Jesus' powerful counter-challenge. The outer frame consists of the efforts of Jesus' biological family to save their honour by saving him from a crazy lifestyle and by his redefining of his "family" as those "who do the will of God". This complex story invites us to refrain from labelling those who threaten our status or authority. They may just happen to be agents of God's transforming grace for us and for our world.

Whoever does
God's will
 is my
brother and
sister
 and
Mother. Mark 3:35

Veronica Lawson rsm

Sacred Heart Mildura REGIONAL NEWS & EVENTS



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

If you want a sick person prayed for, ask their permission. Names will be included for the duration of one month after which family or friends can request more time.

Janette Piscioneri, Dianne Lanigan, Albis Dy, Jill Antonie, Ron Russell, Brian Ramsey, Graeme Lewis, Joan Appleby, Fr Denis Dennehy, Vince Alicastro, Geraldine Brunner, Hailey Crossan

Sacramental Life & Liturgy

FUNERALS THIS COMING WEEK

Tuesday 12th June—Margaret Mason—11am—Prayers only
Wednesday 13th June—Analatu Toutai—from 9am. Funeral Mass

FEAST OF ST ANTHONY

The Italian Community will be celebrating their annual Feast of St Anthony Mass on Sunday 10th June at 5pm.

Tickets for the raffle are still available at \$2.00 each.

All are invited to stay for the procession followed by pasta and BBQ dinner. Traditional Italian fare will be provided along with great entertainment and the drawing of the raffle.



ADVANCE NOTICE

Feast of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop will be held on Saturday 4th August 2018 at Sacred Heart Church 6pm Mass followed by entertainment & free pasta & BBQ dinner. All welcome.



Community Life & Outreach

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS MEETING

Will be held on Monday 11th June 7.30pm at the KSC Clubrooms.

FINANCE MEETING

Tuesday 12th June 7.30am Parish Office

SACRED HEART LADIES SOCIAL GROUP

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th June 2pm in the Hillman room. New members most welcome.

SACRED HEART PARISH COUNCIL

Tuesday 12th June following 6pm Mass Presbytery.

SHARED TABLE STALL

This Sunday 10th June after the 9am Mass.

Donations to this stall need to be perishable items such as: fruit, vegetables, preserves, home baked and home crafted items.

All money collected goes directly to the Projects of The Shared Table in Lima, Peru.

CUPPA after Mass

All are invited to stay on after the 9am Mass for: Community, Conversation & Cuppa



Weekly Prayer Opportunities Mildura

Prayer of the Church: Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri. 8:40am

Charismatic Prayer Meeting: Tuesday 6:30pm

Devotions and Exposition: Friday 3:00pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 10:00am—10:30am

Christian Meditation: Sat 11:30 am Prayer Room

A JOINT CATHOLIC STATEMENT ABOUT BRIDGING VISAS

In 2016 a small number of people seeking asylum were evacuated from Nauru and sent to Australia in need of medical care and support. Many of these people were experiencing complex health needs in addition to the trauma and persecution they had faced on their journeys to Australia.

The Federal Government is now seeking to further punish this small group of people by ceasing their income and accommodation support and transferring them to six-month bridging visas.

The decision will further stretch the limited resources of Australian charities who are already showing the type of compassion and leadership missing from our Federal Government.

As a nation we must focus on supporting, not punishing, people seeking asylum.

You can read the joint Catholic statement about this here: <https://jss.org.au/a-joint-catholic-statement-about-bridging-visas/>

CHILD PROTECTION OFFICERS (CPO) & SAFE AWARENESS WORKSHOP

At Red Cliffs Church of Christ on Saturday 16th June from 9:30 am to 4pm. \$35 per person. BYO lunch. Registration required by Thursday 14th June at 5pm. CPO's need to register individually. Parish will reimburse the fees.

EUCHARIST & THE CARE OF OUR EARTH

A two hour conversation with Fr Barry Ryan and Sr Veronica Lawson rsm about Eucharist and the planet we inhabit.

Thursday 21st June 2018

1-3pm or 7-9pm

Monaghan Centre, Sacred Heart

Church, Mildura

Where on earth is God?

How on earth is God with us?

Why does it matter?

All welcome



REGIONAL YOUTH NEWS

Ballarat Diocese is holding 3 x day-long Festivals called Joy+ for youth and young adults 15-30yo. From the Murray to the Sea, in **Robinvale on Sunday 5 August**, in Warrnambool West on Sunday 2 September, in Ballarat on Sunday 25 November. Come to one or more! Features Genevieve Bryant & band and many guests. Free registration open soon. This is an initiative for the Year of Youth - Opening New Horizons for Spreading Joy! More details check youth ministry web pages www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or email youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au

WYD 2019 PILGRIMAGE TO PANAMA

Calling for pilgrims! The Ballarat diocese WYD Pilgrimage to Panama will travel to Costa Rica for 'Days in the Diocese' then on to Panama City for WYD events with Pope Francis then a retreat by the Pacific Ocean. 16 January - 1 February 2019 for 18-35 year olds. Registration costs will be available very soon. Please let us know if you are interested in going p: 5337 7125 or e: youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au More Pilgrimage information is on the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

MILDURA PARISH FINANCE

Last weeks collections

1st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$1721.70
2nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$2824.25
Loose Plate	\$1030.15
Monaghan Centre	\$2730.00

St. Joseph's Red Cliffs Our Lady Of The Sacred Heart Merbein



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If you want a sick person prayed for, ask their permission. Names will be included for the duration of one month after which family or friends can request more time.

Caterina Brizzi, Carmel Markham, Larry Cricelli, Jana Njegovan, Marie Adams, Raymondo Chan, Albis, Roman & Joe Dy, Graeme Lewis, Robert & Elizabeth Young, Diane Lanigan, Heather McWilliams, Maurice O' Connor, Joe Mammone, Joe Cufari, Brother Dan Geary MSC

NO MASS CHANGES FOR THIS COMING WEEK

Upcoming Events

Monday 18 June: Jacaranda Village Aged Care Church Service 2pm. All welcome.

Sunday 24 June: The Nativity of St John The Baptist.

Monday 25 June: Parishioners Volunteers - Meals on Wheels week.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL UNITS—RED CLIFFS

Now have available 2 x single bedroom units for rent. Applicants must be on a Centrelink pension. Please contact Peter Bramsen 5021 1393 or 0427 567 650

ADVANCE NOTICE

St Joseph's Parish will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the consecration of the Church. on Sunday 19th August 2018. Bishop Paul Bird will be celebrating Mass followed by a light luncheon/finger food at the school hall. Please mark this day on your calendar. Further information in the coming weeks.

PLENARY COUNCIL

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future. **Please take a prayer card home with you today and pray daily for the success of this important event.** To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: *"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"* Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website, now online: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

REDEMPTRISTS ORDINATION

Deacon Hieu Xuan Nguyen will be ordained to in the priesthood on June 16, 2018 at St Albans South Parish, Melbourne at 10.00am and all are welcome to attend. Hieu was with us in Ballarat for the recent "Praying towards 2020" program. For more information and to RSVP, please contact Carolyn Wignall, ph. 9816 9342 or kew.bursar.cssr@gmail.com.

BALLARAT DIOCESE LAY PASTORAL MINISTRY PROGRAM – NOW OPEN FOR NEW PARTICIPANTS

Low-cost online study and formation for lay workers, both employees and volunteers. Registration for the July/August study cycle is open until 4 July. See www.ballarat.catholic.org.au for more info or contact Amanda ph. 5337 7125 or email: amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au

RED CLIFFS PARISH FINANCE

Last weeks collections	
1st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$234.55
2nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$444.25
Loose Plate	\$ 57.25



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If you want a sick person prayed for, ask their permission. Names will be included for the duration of one month after which family or friends can request more time.

Kit Coogan, Peter Willcock, Betty Green, Joan Appleby, Maria Pyatt, Ted Verryt, Alison Olden, Frank Chandler, Fr Frank Smith CSSR

Vision & Mission Statement

We are a welcoming Catholic Community committed to following Jesus Christ in our daily life. We do this by:

- Coming together regularly to worship God;
- Witnessing to Gospel values in our daily lives;
- Nurturing the growth & development of our faith;
- Caring for all in our Community;
- Taking responsibility for our Parish.

MERBEIN MOSAICS PROJECT: The next workshop will take place on Wednesday June 13th anytime between 10am – 4pm at the LMW old FMIT workshop on Etiwanda Ave. just round the corner of 14th street. No previous experience necessary. All help greatly appreciated.

SCHOOL NEWS

Sacraments: Congratulations to all the children who received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist last Sunday. It was fantastic to see our Church so full to support these children. A huge thank you to Janine Dannatt for preparing the children for the Sacraments. Janine's commitment and dedication to the program ensured the experience was very special for the children.

OLSH Statue: You may have seen that our new Our Lady of the Sacred Heart stylised image has been moved into its permanent position in front of the school. It is a very special piece of art that commemorates Our Lady and reminds us of the reason our school has been named after her. Feel free to have a look and maybe spend some quiet reflective time before this image of Mary.

Enrolments for 2019 are now being taken. If you are a current family with a sibling ready to start school next year, please make an appointment for an interview as soon as possible, so that we can gain an idea of potential numbers. If you know of any families interested in enrolling their child/children at OLSH in 2019 please pass on this information and encourage them to contact the school.

DIOCESAN NEWS can be found on enews@ballarat.catholic.org.au

IMPACT CLIMATE CHANGE

The Global Catholic Climate Movement is calling for our help to impact climate change. We need to consider and implement solutions that will be adequate. Help us think of these. We know they have to be enough to turn around the climate situation like:

- Providing clean, distributed renewable electricity (like solar panels, chargers, lights) to all communities that need it (1.2 billion without electricity).
- No further investment in fossil fuel infrastructure (new electricity plants, vehicles, etc.).
- Agriculture, efficiency, and other investment targeted for the common good, leaving selfish and extractive approaches behind. Send your suggestions to marie@catholicnetwork.us

MERBEIN PARISH FINANCE

Last weeks collections	
1st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$340.20
2nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$343.00
Loose Plate	\$177.30

SUNDAY MASS TIMES AND ROSTERS

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time/ Year B 9th & 10th June 2018

First Reading: Genesis 3:9-15
Responsorial: Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
Response: With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.
Second Reading: 2 Cor 4:13-5:1
Gospel: Mark 3:20-35



Werrimull Last Sunday of month 11:00am	Sacred Heart Saturday 6.00pm	Sacred Heart Sunday 9:00am	Sacred Heart Sunday 5.00pm	Irymple Sunday 8:30am	Red Cliffs Sunday 10:00am	Merbein Sunday 10:30am	Merbein Lay Led Assembly Last Sunday of the month
Leader / Reader	Mary Jackson	Sonia Opie	Feast St Anthony	G McCracken	T Hawkes/ A Higham/P Hunt	V Knight	June 24th Sr Carmel Setford Annette Lemon
Music			Italian Choir		Guitar		
Offertory	Baptism	Baptism	Feast St Anthony		L Bugno	Besgrove Family	
Altar Servers	Volunteer please	Volunteer please	Volunteer please		Grabriella Strangio		July 29th Vernon Knight Elvira Iamarino
Eucharist Ministers	Jacinda Deacon	Michael Faingaanuku	Melanie Ransome	J Kearney	Sebastian Morello	Pat Sylvia	
	Katy Quinlan	Maureen Speed	Bill Dolence		Isabella Manno	Annette Lemon	
	Katelin Anesbury	Peter O'Donnell	Jacqui Willis		Jessica Bertoli		
	Vince Pileggi	Greg Johnston	Barbara Bunting		Tenzin Bertoli		
	Anne-Maree Greville	Gina Raiti	Katrina Groves		P Hill	CHAFFEY AGED CARE	
	Taiana Fatai	Anna Vartuli	Judy Hall		P Hunt	Evaine Kremor	
Counting Team	TEAM 7	HELEN KAY 0429 135 053			L Grevic/T Njegovan		
Church Cleaning	As per arrangement			As per arrangement	Grp 2 C Cavallaro	As per arrangement	

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year B 16th & 17th June 2018

First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24
Responsorial: Ps 91:2-3, 13-16
Response: Lord it is good to give thanks to you.
Second Reading: St Paul to the Corinthians 5:6-10
Gospel: Mark 4:26-34



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Leader / Reader	Rosemary Barnes	Talia Faingaanuku	Bill Dolence	D Knight	T Lewis L Jansen/M Lee	L Olden	June 24th Sr Carmel Setford Annette Lemon
Music	M Hammond J Macri	M Guthrie Tongan Choir	Lam Duy J Macri/J Ljubic		Guitar		
Offertory		Joy Morvell			Cameron Family	Phelan Family	
Altar Servers	Volunteer please	Volunteer please	Volunteer please		Thomas Dowling	Please Volunteer	July 29th
Eucharist Ministers	Margaret McDonald	Juliet Cresp	Myrna Rodi	J Kearney	Liam Dowling	Janine Dannatt	Vernon Knight Elvira Iamarino
	Trish McNamara	Louise Belej	Maree Irvin		Amber Foster	Sr Carmel	
	Paul Kerr	Nancy Leonardis	Sue Hermans		Sumah Foster		August 26th Nancy Prevedello Kevin Aston
	Anita Naray	Elina Garreffa	Naomi Kennedy				
	Margaret Sheahan	Maryanne Modica	Mario Zema		N Morello	CHAFFEY AGED CARE	
	Maria Cirillo	Lyn Welsh	Josie Zema		S Orr	Pat Sylvia Annette Lemon	
Counting Team	TEAM 8	TREVOR AUST 5023 6597			L Grevic/T Njegovan		September 30th Bernadette Wells Kay Wagner
Church Cleaning	As per arrangement			As per arrangement	Volunteers	As per arrangement	