Sunraysia Catholic Communities



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Newssheet: Week 27

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Sacred Heart Mildura

Our Lady of Lourdes Werrimúll

St. Francis Xavier 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. Child Safety Officers: Mildura—Christine Slattery, Merbein—Kevin Aston, Red Cliffs—Bernadette Gardner

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Changes to Weekday Mass times will be listed under Parish Heading

	MILDURA	RED CLIFFS	Merbein
MONDAY		9:30AM	
TUESDAY	6:00рм	5:30РМ	
WEDNESDAY	9:15AM	9:30AM	
THURSDAY	9:15AM	5:30PM	As advised
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)

Recent Deaths: Christopher Jory, Rae (Ray) Ryan-Orchard

Anniversaries: Saturday 6pm:

Sunday 9am: Ben Cirillo (Cavalieri Guiseppe Beniamino Cirillo

JP), Rina Cirillo (Caterina Fraija Cirillo) Sunday 5pm: Tv Thomas (40 day Mass)

Tuesday 6pm: Rosa Lazzaro

Friday 5.40pm: Ron Campbell (1st year anniversary).

Stella Caristo (1st year anniversary)

Recent Death: Kevin Ryan

Anniversaries: Anna-Maria, Pina, Dominico & Vince Mammone

MERBEIN

Recent Death: Joan Edwards

Anniversaries: July 7th Noel Keens; 8th William Gourlay;

11th Giovanna lenco

(Only immediate family members of the deceased are permitted to arrange anniversary

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

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year C 6th & 7th July 2019

This Sunday's gospel offers three little cameos about praying and about God's generous giving. There are two teachings on prayer forming a frame around an enigmatic parable. In the first cameo, Jesus has finished praying and one of the disciples asks him to teach them to pray. Jesus responds as any devout first century Jew might respond. He evokes the words of the Jewish blessing prayer: "May the great name of God be exalted and sanctified, throughout the world. May God's kingship be established in your lifetime." Jesus calls God "father", a metaphor or image denoting the saving power of God over against the destructive power of the Roman emperor.

The prayer continues with an acknowledgement that bread, the fruit of the earth, is the gift of God: "Keep giving us each day the bread we need." This is not a prayer for more than is needed, but for just as much as is needed to sustain Earth's beings. The final petitions in the prayer are for forgiveness of sin "as we forgive each who is in debt to us" and for freedom from testing. We cannot live without the peace of mind that comes from forgiving, from being forgiven and from the knowledge that God is with us in times of trial such as the present ecological crisis with all its demands for radical change.

The parable that follows has raised questions for interpreters. Is it about persistence or about avoidance of shame? These are two very different concepts, but both have been suggested as the motive for the sleeping neighbour's response to the friend in need and as the proper rendering of the Greek word anaideia. The literal meaning of anaideia is avoidance of shame. This makes sense in a culture where anyone would be shamed by refusal to help a neighbour unable to meet the demands of hospitality, especially where one could well find oneself in similar need some time. No one would dream of refusing such a request for help, whether for the sake of friendship or to avoid being shamed, not even those who let it be known that they resent having to get out of bed in the middle of the night.

Persistence in prayer is a desirable quality but it has nothing to do with the parable of the friend in need who asks only once for "three loaves" and can expect to receive them. The translation "persistence" seems to derive from association with the repetition of seeking and searching and knocking, in other words with the sayings that form the third little cameo. Here Jesus draws on the experience of his listeners: if flawed disciples know how to give "good

gifts" to their children, then they should not be surprised that those who ask for the Holy Spirit will receive this best of all gifts from God as they seek to renew the face of the Earth.

Veronica Lawson rsm



Sacred Heart Mildura REGIONAL NEWS & EVENTS Sacramental Life & Liturgy PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

BAPTISM

We welcome into our Parish community Emma & Lucy Curran whose Baptism occurs this



RCIA 2019 -2020

We are presently enrolling the names of those who would like to be part of the next RCIA Program. Parishioners are asked to

direct anyone they know of who is interested in becoming a member of our Catholic Community to enrol their names at the Parish Office.

ADVANCE NOTICE

The 9.30am Mass on Saturday 13th July, has been

Community Life & Outreach

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS

Will have their monthly meeting tomorrow, Monday 8th July at 7.30pm at the KSC Clubrooms.

PRINCES COURT AGED CARE MASS

Will be held on Tuesday 9th July at 10am. All welcome.

PARISH COUNCIL

Tuesday 9th July after 6pm Mass.

SACRED HEART LADIES SOCIAL GROUP

Will have their monthly meeting ono Tuesday 9th July from 2.30pm in the Hillman room, Sacred Heart Presbytery. All welcome.

SACRED HEART FAMILY GROUP

Will be lunching at the Merbein Club on Sunday 14th July at 12.30pm. Please let Helen or Gary know your intentions on 50235035. All welcome to join us.



SACRED HEART PRAYER & DISCUSSION GROUP

This newly formed group meet weekly on Thursday mornings at 10am in the Hillman Room, Sacred Heart Presbytery. For further information please contact Wilma on 5021 4953.

SHARED TABLE STALL & CUPPA after the 9am Mass on Sunday 14th July

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

Don't forget items for the stall. Fruit, vegetables, preserves etc.

CUPPA

All are most welcome to stay on for cuppa, community and conversation after the 9am



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

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.

Mildura: Dien Brown, Clair Lang, Michele Vanni, Sandra McCarthy, Albis Dy, Brian Ramsey, Vince Alicastro, Fr Denis Dennehy, Geraldine Brunner, Hailey Crossan

Merbein: Joan Edwards, Martin Rogers, Kit Coogan, Maria Pyatt, Ted Verryt, Frank Chandler, Fr Frank Smith CSSR

Red Cliffs: Gwen O'Connor, Maureen Lee, Max Slater, Edna Chua, Lily Flanagan, Barry Crosbie, Brendan Bell, Caterina Brizzi, Marie Adams, Reynaldo Chan, Albis, Roman & Joe Dy, Robert & Elizabeth Young, Joe Cufari, Maurice O' Connor, Joe Mammone

FOCOLARE YOUTH VISIT "Living is Giving: Putting the Gospel into

July 10th 2-4pm, Sacred Heart Hall Primary and Secondary School Programs Games, experiences and more. All welcome.

FRESH FOOD REQUIRED

The group of 40-50 young people and their leaders from the Focolare Community will visit Mildura this week. They would be grateful for any supply of fresh fruit and vegies such as tomatoes, lettuce, cucumbers, carrots, bananas, apples, oranges and mandarins, or for any fresh produce that might be in supply on your fruit tree/vegie patch.

If you think you will be able to help out, please let Fr James know. Any donations can be left in the Monaghan centre over the weekend of July 6th/7th and Fr James will be able to pass it on to the group.

CELTIC REFLECTION—through the ages

Liminality—Celtic Trio

With Special Guests O'Shea—Ryan **Academy Of Irish Dane** Tickets \$25.00 Enquiries: 0429 650 571

Mildura

Friday July 12th 7pm St Margaret's Anglican Church (cnr Eleventh St)

Wentworth

Saturday July 13th, 2.30pm Wentworth Town Hall (Adelaide St)

or www.trybooking.com/BDKEV

ADVANCE NOTICE FEAST OF ST MARY MACKILLOP

The Knights of the Southern Cross are sponsoring the Feast Day celebration of St Mary MacKillop on Saturday 10th August with Mass at 6pm followed by entertainment and free pasta and BBQ dinner, from the Monaghan Centre. All most welcome to attend.



ADVANCE NOTICE—SAVE THE DATE STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP

During 2019 Workshops will be held to help plan for our Diocesan Education Community 2020—2024 Fr Michael is strongly encouraging teaching staff, parents and parishioners attend one of the two Workshops to be held in the Monaghan Centre on Tuesday 27th August from 4.30pm—6.00pm or 7.00pm—8.30pm.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY & NAIDOC WEEK

It is never easy to see the world from the perspective of other people. If we are passionate about an issue, we become impatient with someone who argues a contrary view. We also find it difficult to enter the world of people who are imprisoned, mentally ill or refugees whom popular opinion regards as less than ourselves. We may need them to bang drums in order to encourage us to make us see and listen to them.

That is why the National Aboriginal and Islander Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) week is so important. It emerged from the recognition by Indigenous Australians that they were neither respected nor listened to, and from their determination to change things. They thought it inappropriate to celebrate Australia Day on the anniversary of the arrival of the First Fleet, because that was the beginning of their dispossession. In the face of considerable opposition they began to organise. They drew up a petition to send to King George V to ask for Aboriginal electorates, but the Government saw it as outside its constitutional powers to provide them. In 1938 a Congress of Indigenous people met in Sydney. Its members marched on Australia Day, which they called Mourning Day. These were the origins of NAIDOC. Australia Day is still celebrated on the anniversary of Indigenous expropriation, but NAIDOC week provides an opportunity for all Australians to join in celebrating the culture and aspirations and hopes of Indigenous and Torres Strait Islanders.

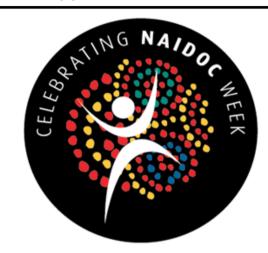
The theme of NAIDOC Week this year is 'Voice, Treaty, Truth. Let's work together.' These words lie at the heart of the Uluru Statement that represents an Indigenous position reached after long discussion. It begins with the importance of voice. Indigenous culture, like all cultures, is built around language, in this case many languages. When languages die out cultures are put under great strain. Because Indigenous Australians are the first Australians with some 60,000 years of care for country, the preservation of their voice and languages in education and communities matters to all Australians.

Voice is also important in the sense that Indigenous Australians seek an institutional say on the matters that affect their lives. That demand is central to the Uluru Statement, and is captured by the second word of the 2019 Theme: Treaty. To appreciate its urgency we need think only of the catastrophic effects that such interventions by Australian governments as stealing and routinely jailing children have had on people and communities. There will be many legitimate differences of opinion about what shape that voice may take, but its need is not in doubt.

To understand the present condition of Indigenous Australians and to respond to their call we must understand the past. Truth is the third word of the Theme. Truth embraces the relationship between the Indigenous peoples, the first people, and the later people who dispossessed them by force, excluded them from their hunting grounds, stole their children and continue to jail them out of all proportion to the rest of the Australian population. The relationships also include, of course, the later people who have befriended and defended the first Australians, studied their languages and culture, and sought to build a more just Australia.

Andrew Hamilton SJ

SUNRAYSIA CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES FINANCE								
Last week's collections	Mildura	Merbein	Red Cliffs					
1st Collection (supporting Priests & Presbytery)	\$ 1247.30	\$ 58.40	\$206.40					
2nd Collection (includes all EFT)	\$10762.40	\$199.00	\$963.60					
Loose Plate	\$ 635.05	\$ 20.15	\$ 57.60					
The Popes Collection	\$ 876.55		2					



SUNDAY 7TH JULY IS ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY

The following is a prayer for Reconciliation

God of all creation, as we journey together in this Great Southern Land, we pray for healing, forgiveness and unity,

creating a path of good will, with justice and compassion.

Jesus, through the power of your love, you have given us courage,

wisdom and strength to share our gifts and talents in humility.

In peace and understanding we reconcile with each other.

Creator Spirit, we come together in prayer and thanksgiving

for the many blessings we have received.

Allow your spirit to wash over us and give us strength

to walk together as one. Amen



PERU MISSION IMMERSION

Fr. Michael, Ryan O'Callaghan, Chris Carmichael, Ronica Vergara and Marion Guthrie, invite you to come along and hear about our recent experiences visiting the people and projects we

have supported in Peru.

The evening will be held in the Monaghan Centre on Friday, 12th July at 6.30pm. Presentation Time - Approximately: 90 minutes. We invite you to stay and share a pizza after the presentation.



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

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

St. Vincent de Paul annual winter appeal for non- perishable food items is happening this month so if you are able to bring along any goods within the next few weeks they would be very much appreciated.

SCHOOL NEWS

Term 3 begins on Monday July 15th, 2019

Narelle Gallagher will be taking Long Service Leave for the first two weeks of term 3, but the school will be in good hands, with Mr. Casey Stoetzer filling the role of acting Principal. **Student Leaders Fundraiser – Blanket Drive**

It's getting cold outside!! Do you have some blankets you can donate? This year OLSH Primary School is holding a blanket drive. These blankets will be donated to our local St Vincent de Paul organisation. This is a good time to go through those linen cupboards, so dig deep!! Please make sure blankets are in reasonable condition.



SUSTAINABILITY NEWS:

July 2019 has been declared **NO PLASTIC MONTH** everyone is invited to refrain from using plastic especially plastic bags and purchasing goods that are packaged in plastic. Keep plastic bags from polluting our oceans and harming marine wildlife. Maybe you could make yourself a reusable washable bag!!

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Wed, Fri: 9.30am, Tues, Thur:5.30pm, Sat: 9am

30 DAY MASS FOR PHILIP PEZZANO

Will be on Thursday, July 18 at 6.00 pm.

CALENDAR

Sunday 28th July: Parish AGM. All welcome. Any agenda items places see Cormel Pusco.

items please see Carmel Russo.

Friday 26th July: Grandparents Mass.

Sunday 28th July: Cuppa and trading table. Don't forget items for the Trading Table. Proceeds this month will go to

The Pope's Collection.

Sunday 4th August: Grades 2&3 will help us celebrate Mary

MacKillop.

COLLECTION FOR THE POPE

This is an important collection to help Pope Francis in his work. Proceeds from the Trading Table for July will go towards this collection. If you don't want to buy anything you can contribute a cash donation at the table.

MY PORT MACQUARIE SISTER, GWEN O'CONNOR

Each year since 1983, I have spent a good part of my holidays with Gwen. Gwen is now 88 (Gay, my Manly sister is my twin). She has an inoperable cancer on her gall bladder. Don't ask me to explain. You know as much as I do. This is likely to be my last holidays when I'll be going to the port. So I'll be away longer than usual. I'll fly North on Monday, August 5. I'll be back for the first weekend in October. *PJF*

RED CLIFFS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Will be held on Wednesday 10th July at 7pm, in the gathering area of the church.

ROSTERS FOR TERM 3

Are now available. Please collect a copy—Blue Sheet and mark the dates of your calendar.

NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTERS AND READINGS 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time / 13th & 14th July 2019

First Reading: Book of Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Responsorial: Ps 68:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37 Response: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will I

Response: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live. Second Reading: St Paul to the Colossians 1:15-20

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37



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Werrimull Last Sunday of each month 1:00am	Sacred Heart Saturday 6pm	Sacred Heart Sunday 9am	Sacred Heart Sunday 5pm	Irymple Sunday 8:30am	Red Cliffs Sunday 10:00am	Merbein Sunday 10:30am	Merbein Lay Led Assembly Last Sunday of the month
Leader / Reader	Katy Quinlan	Soane Fatai	Melanie Ransome	J Kearney	M Bell A Higham / P Hunt	Jeanette Ellis	
Music	Filipino Group M Issanchon	M Guthrie / B Lewis J O'Bryan / B Prescott	M Hammond J Macri / J Ljubic		Guitar		
Offertory	Baptism				G Brizzi	Ellis Family	
Altar Servers	Volunteer please	Volunteer please	Volunteer please		GROUP 5 E Papanicolaou		
Eucharist Ministers	Anne-Maree Greville	Catherine McErvale	Vittorio Carlucci	R Hill	M Gibson	Kay Wagner	
	Taiana Fatai	Elvira Mazza	Christine Slattery		A Higham	Melissa Sullivan	
	Margaret McDonald	Jill Joslyn	Jacinta Macri	OASIS AGED CARE	P Hill		
	Paul Kerr	Lisa Cirillo	Paula Cox	G Schmidt	CUPPA'S		
	Anita Naray	Laurie Fry	Jennifer Boord			CHAFFEY AGED CARE	
	Ryan O'Callaghan	Judy Webster	Reni Cheriyan	LAY LITURGY LEADERS		Sr Carmel Setford	
		Jean Rocca			FLOWERS Volunteers		
Counting Team	TEAM 4	KEVIN SCHULTZ 5023 8778			P Hunt / B Pitt		
Church Cleaning	As per arrangement			As per arrangement	GROUP 3 C Russo	As per arrangement	