

# 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	MASSES RESUME IN AUGUST
FRIDAY	5:40PM	9:30AM	
SATURDAY	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: Anna Testa, Rosario Sapuppo, Ron Campbell

### Anniversaries:

Saturday 6pm: Kevin (Sid) Robinson

Sunday 9am: Bruin Callipari (1 year anniversary)

Friday 5.40pm: Giuseppe Martino (1 year anniversary)

### RED CLIFFS

Recent Death: Heather McWilliams

Anniversaries: Cecilia & Domenical D'Anna, Vincenza Tassone, Francesco & Maria-Antonia Tassone, Adriana Tassone

### MERBEIN

Recent Death:

Anniversaries: July 15<sup>th</sup> Joseph Klarich, Immacolata Dichiera, Joan Parker, John Olden, 17<sup>th</sup> Kathleen McAllester; 18<sup>th</sup> Tom McCarthy; 19<sup>th</sup> Lynette Searle, David O'Callaghan, Jim McSwain

*Only immediate family members of the deceased are permitted to arrange anniversary Masses.*

## 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year B 14th & 15th July 2018

To be a disciple of Jesus is to experience a call. It is also to be sent on a mission in partnership with others, a mission invariably expressed in terms of preaching, teaching, healing, and/or driving out of demons or unclean spirits. In other words, it is to be authorised to do what Jesus did and to proclaim what he proclaimed. When we hear of Jesus casting out demons and telling his disciples to do likewise, we tend to think that whatever they did is something that belongs to another time and has little to do with our contemporary society.

In the cosmology of the time, there was a realm between the divine and the human that was inhabited by good and evil spirits (angels and demons). The divide between these realms was conceptualised as porous so that humans could be protected by the angels or "possessed" by the demons. While the cosmology of the twenty-first century has no "place" for such beings, the contemporary imagination allows space for a metaphorical engagement with the angelic and demonic. When we speak of "demons" now, we are talking about something recognisable in human experience, even if somewhat removed from the "demons" that beset the poor in the Roman imperial provinces of the first century.

Today's parents spend much of their time casting out the "demons" that beset their children, as do our friends when they sit and listen to the pain in our hearts and help us to let go of the "demons" that so often inhabit our psyches. Many health professionals are paid to heal the hurts as well as the cuts and burns. They drive out the demons of fear and hate and prejudice and of paralysing mental illness. Educators also, aware that learning occurs only when students are relatively free from fear and anxiety, know what it means to drive out the demons.

It is significant that Jesus instructs the disciples to travel light. They need the basics to live and to do their job, but if their mission is to be effective, they must be free from the anxiety that comes from excess. Psychologist and social critic John F. Schumacher suggests that societies with the most material goods tend to be the most anxious. "Mutual respect, community-mindedness, an eagerness to share, reverence for nature, thankfulness and love of life", it seems, are the major ingredients for a stress- or "demon"-free personal and community life. There would be no need to shake the dust from our feet for want of hospitality if that were the way we all chose to live.

What's more, there would be enough for all on our planet, the human and other-and-human, to live in dignity and peace.

Veronica  
Lawson rsm



## 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

# Sacred Heart Mildura REGIONAL NEWS & EVENTS



Sacred Heart Parish | Mildura

## 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.*

**Marian Calf, 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

### PLEASE NOTE:

**No 6pm Mass on Tuesday 17th July due to the funeral Mass for Rosario Sapuppo at 1.30pm**  
**No 9.15am on Wednesday 18th July due to the funeral Mass for Ron Campbell at 10.30am**

### FEAST OF ST MARY MACKILLOP

The Knights of the Southern Cross are sponsoring the Feast Day celebration of St Mary MacKillop on Saturday 4th August with Mass at 6pm followed by entertainment & free pasta & BBQ dinner. All most welcome to attend.



**Irymple Lay Led Assembly July 29th**

## Community Life & Outreach

### SACRED HEART FAMILY GROUP

Next outing is at the RSL Club, Madden Ave, Mildura on Sunday 15th July for lunch at 12noon. Please let Gary or Helen know your intentions on 5023 5035.

### OASIS AGED CARE MASS

Will be held on Wednesday 18th July 2pm. All welcome.

### SACRED HEART PRIMARY SCHOOL

Will be celebrating NAIDOC week with a school mass on Thursday 17th July at 9.15am. All welcome.

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

The members of the Sacred Heart Conference of St Vincent de Paul are very grateful to all those who contributed so generously to their Winter Appeal.

### GRANDMA—JOKE

The family wheeled Grandma out on the lawn, in her wheelchair, where the activities for her 100th birthday were taking place. Grandma couldn't speak very well, but she could write notes when she needed to communicate. After a short time out on the lawn, Grandma started leaning off to the right, so some family members grabbed her, straightened her up, and stuffed pillows on her right. A short time later, she started leaning off to her left, so again the family grabbed her and stuffed pillows on her left. Soon she started leaning forward, so the family members again grabbed her, then tied a pillowcase around her waist to hold her up. A nephew who arrived late came up to Grandma and said, "Hi, Grandma, you're looking good! How are they treating you?" Grandma took out her little notepad and slowly wrote a note to the nephew.  
 "They won't let me pass wind."



### 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

### PLENARY COUNCIL

The first session of the Plenary Council is to take place in October 2020 to which the laity will be invited to participate. There will be an opportunity during August/September this year to attend an information session in Mildura to answer any questions you may have and to discuss ways in which we can participate in this very important Plenary Council. It was suggested at our Parish Council Meeting that we pray the 'Prayer for the Plenary Council' together at our Eucharistic gatherings each Sunday as one way we can begin our preparation for this important event.

### COMMUNITY TRIVIA NIGHT ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August at The Sacred Heart Hall from 6.30 – 10.30pm to raise funds for the Tiwi College Partnership Program. BYO Drinks and Nibbles. Get your friends together and dress up for the special themed table prize. Tables can be booked and paid for at the College Reception for \$150 (Adult Table - \$15 pp), \$100 (Student Table - \$10pp) and children under 12 free. Many entertaining activities and games to get involved in. On the night bring some spare change for competitions and to purchase raffle tickets. For further information please see flyers on notice boards.

### WERRIMULL BUS TRIP—29th July

The next Werrimull Bus trip will be held on Sunday 29th July. Mass from 11am followed by lunch at the Pub. If you would like to attend please contact the Parish Office on 5021 2872.



### YOUTH GATHERING ROBINVALE—AUGUST 5TH



Ballarat Diocese is hosting a Day For Youth in Robinvale on Sunday 5 August. Featuring Genevieve Bryant & band and many guests. Free registration open soon.

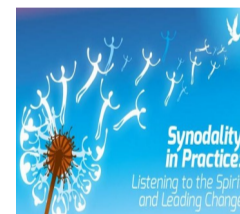
Please contact Fr James for further information.

### REGIONAL GATHERING

The quarterly meeting with representative of the Parishes of Mildura, Red Cliffs, Merbein & Ouyen will be held at **St Joseph's Red Cliffs on Sunday 29th July after the 10am Mass.**

### BBI -TAITE—ACBC 14TH NATIONAL CONFERENCE

*Synodality in Practice: Listening to the Spirit and Leading Change*  
 Will be held on Wednesday 8th August at the Sacred Heart Parish—Monaghan Centre—from 10am—3pm. Cost: Free—Bring your own lunch or a plate to share. All most welcome to attend. For booking enquiries please contact the Sacred Heart Parish Office on 5021 2872. Please see noticeboards for further details.



### MILDURA PARISH FINANCE

#### Last weeks collections

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Collection</b> (support of Priests & Presbytery)	<b>\$1328.05</b>
<b>2nd Collection</b> (includes DD, CC & EFT)	<b>\$2429.75</b>
<b>Loose Plate</b>	<b>\$ 446.35</b>
<b>Monaghan Centre</b>	<b>\$ 27.00</b>
<b>The Shared Table</b>	<b>\$ 25.50</b>
<b>The Popes Collection</b>	<b>\$ 849.95</b>

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



## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

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**Tim Lewis, Brendan Bell, Caterina Brizzi, Jana Njegovan, Marie Adams, Raymondo Chan, Albis, Roman & Joe Dy, Graeme Lewis, Robert & Elizabeth Young, Diane Lanigan, Joe Cufari, Maurice O' Connor, Joe Mamnone, Brother Dan Geary MSC**



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

### NO CHANGES TO THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES

#### LAY LED ASSEMBLY ROSTER FOR TODAY'S LITURGY

**Leader:** Kim Hawkes  
**Reading from Amos:** Julia Lewis  
**Psalm in Response:** Breeana Wade  
**Reading from Ephesians:** Sera Fuoco  
**Reflection on Ephesians:** Janice Divola  
**Gospel Acc:** Celtic Alleluia  
**Gospel:** Dylan Darby  
**Reflection on the Gospel:** Tammy Leamon  
**Prayer of the Faithful:** Rita Chase  
**Lay Ministers for Communion:** Bidy Pitt, Chen Cavallaro

#### 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.

#### MEETINGS

Parish Council—Wednesday 18th July 7.30pm at the School Hall.

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Mary MacKillop - We will be celebrating the feast of St Mary MacKillop on Sunday, August 5. Grades 2-3 will have leading roles in our Mass that day.



#### CUPPA & TRADING TABLE

After Mass next Sunday. Proceeds from Trading Table this month go to Catholic Mission.

#### 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

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.



#### ADVANCE NOTICE—PARISH AGM

Will be held on Sunday, August 26th after Mass. All most welcome.

**Our next Youth-led Mass will be on Sunday, August 12.**

#### FESTA

October 7, Feast of the Holy Rosary is a Sunday this year. So our Festa will be celebrated that day.

### RED CLIFFS PARISH FINANCE

Last weeks collections	
1 <sup>st</sup> Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$236.30
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$992.00
Loose Plate	\$ 46.10

#### 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.

#### BAPTISM

We welcome Henry Vincent Matulic who will be Baptised into our Faith Community today. Please pray that God will bless Henry and his family with the desire to continue to grow in their faith journey.



#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

will take place at Our Lady's Merbein on 13<sup>th</sup> September for those children who are in Year 4 or above. Preparation dates for children and parents will be on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> August and 6<sup>th</sup> September from 7-8pm in the school Library and each Sunday during our 10.30 Mass. Please contact the school on 50252258 if your child would like to take part. Janine Dannatt, the sacramental co-ordinator, will be working with families during these preparation sessions.



#### SENT



**AND JESUS CALLED TO HIM THE TWELVE, AND BEGAN TO SEND THEM OUT TWO BY TWO, AND GAVE THEM AUTHORITY OVER THE UNCLEAN SPIRITS. (MARK 6:7)**

#### ALTAR SERVERS

Children who have made their First Communion and who would be interested in becoming an altar server, please leave your name at the school office or contact Sr. Carmel on 50252716. This is a great way to become involve in our local parish and it's also important to have our own school students serving at Mass when there is a school celebration. This will also require some weekend commitments.

#### SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

**Reusable Produce Bags** – Replaces supermarket fruit and vegetable plastic bags so you can reduce your plastic use. Designed in Australia to be reused over and over again. To obtain these bags and for other ways to reduce plastic visit [onyalife.com](http://onyalife.com).

### MERBEIN PARISH FINANCE

Last weeks collections	
1 <sup>st</sup> Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$ 58.45
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$549.00
Loose Plate	\$ 22.35

## CALL TO ACTION: Removal of support payments for people seeking asylum

“Every stranger who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ, who identifies with the welcomed and rejected strangers of every age (Matthew 25:35-43)”

– Pope Francis, Message for the 104<sup>th</sup> World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2018

### The problem

The Australian Government is currently removing basic support payments for a significant number of people seeking asylum. This will have a devastating effect on many vulnerable people in our community.

Changes to the Government's eligibility criteria for Status Resolution Support Services (SRSS) payments mean that over 7,000 people will lose their sole, basic source of income. SRSS payments are provided to people who are actively working to resolve their immigration status, usually people awaiting a decision on their claims for refugee status. Payments are reserved for those without any other income support and amount to only 89% of Newstart entitlements. They are a necessary safety net for highly vulnerable people who otherwise have no way of supporting themselves.

These changes come on top of the recent loss of basic support for a number of people who had been transferred to Australia from Manus Island and Nauru for medical treatment.

### The Impact

New eligibility criteria for SRSS payments mean that a large proportion of people now receiving these payments will soon lose them, should the Government consider they have the ability to work. This means that many people in our community, who may be deemed 'work-ready' by a bureaucrat, will be left without any income whether or not they have a job.

As the Jesuit Refugee Service has noted, “The sudden removal of support payments will not assist people in finding work or becoming self-sufficient, but will instead push already vulnerable people into situations of great risk and significant stress and trauma. Charity services... will not be able to assist the additional hundreds to thousands more people in need of support.”



### A call to action from our faith

These changes can only have a disruptive impact on our social cohesion. Ultimately, they undermine our national character, which may be judged, as St John Paul II put it, “on the basis of how it treats its weakest members”. Our Catholic community is called to welcome Christ, hidden in the disguise of the ‘strangers’ before us (Matthew 25:35). As such, we are challenged to speak up for all those affected by these changes and make our contribution to shaping a more compassionate welcome from our nation.

As a Catholic community, we can help provide material support to those affected, as well as work together to change the hearts and minds of our policy makers.

### Material support

CAPSA is ready and available to coordinate efforts across the Catholic community to help those affected by these changes.

The most immediate needs of those affected by this loss of income are **housing** and **employment**. If you, your parish or organization can make housing available, help an affected person pay their rent, or provide employment, we want to hear from you so we can connect you to the most appropriate people.

To offer assistance, contact CAPSA by email at: [info@capsa.org.au](mailto:info@capsa.org.au) We should be proud that many Catholic organizations are already providing much-needed material support. A donation will help people affected access crisis response case work services, specialist employment assistance, temporary shelter,

## NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTERS & READINGS

## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year B 21st & 22nd July 2018

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6  
 Responsorial: Ps 22  
 Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.  
 Second Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18  
 Gospel: Mark 6:30-34



Werrimull Last Sunday of each 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	Katy Quinlan	Luke Guthrie	Melanie Ransome	M Duck	Di Eagle D Eagle/T Gardiner	E Iamarino	<b>July 29th</b> Vernon Knight Elvira Iamarino
Music	Lam Duy J Macri/J Ljubic	M Sullivan, J O'Bryan B Lewis, B Prescott	NO MUSIC		Tongan Choir		
Offertory	Baptism	Baptism			Russo Family	Nemtsas Family	
Altar Servers	Volunteer Please	Volunteer Please	Volunteer Please		Gabriella Strangio	Volunteer Please	<b>August 26th</b>
Eucharist Ministers	Paul Kerr	Sara Visona	Trish Cirillo	P Riordan	Sebastian Morello	Janine Dannatt	Nancy Prevedello Kevin Aston
	Anita Naray	Juliet Cresp	Jeena Jose		Isabella Manno	Sr Carmel	
	Maria Cirillo	Louise Belej	Clem Carlucci		Jessica Bertoli		<b>September 30th</b>
	Christine Carmichael	Nancy Leonardis	Vittorio Carlucci		Tenzin Bertoli		Bernadette Wells Kay Wagner
	Ellen Frauenfelder	Elina Garreffa	Christine Slattery		M Divola	CHAFFEY AGED CARE	
	Volunteer Please	Maryanne Modica	Volunteer Please		M Dominelli	Kay Wagner	<b>October 28th</b>
	Lyn Welsh			D Eagle		Sr Carmel Annette Lemon	
Counting Team	TEAM 3	PETER MCDONALD 5022 1531			P Hunt & B Pitt		
Church Cleaning	As per arrangement			As per arrangement	Volunteer	As per arrangement	