



Sacred Heart Parish Mildura

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Office Hours: Tues—Fri 9am—4pm

**Our Lady of Lourdes
Werrimull**

**St. Francis Xavier
Elms Street, Irymple**

**12th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year C -
18th & 19th June 2016**

Weekend Mass Times

Sat: 6:00 pm

Sun: 9:00 am, 5:00 pm

Irymple: 8:30 am

Werrimull 11:00 am (last Sunday of each month)



Weekday Masses

*If there is a Funeral Mass on Wed, Thurs,
the advertised Mass will be cancelled.*

Tues: 7:00 pm Wed: 9:10 am

Thurs: 9:30 am Fri: 5:40 pm

Sat: 9.30 am

Weekly Prayer Opportunities

Rosary: Monday 5:00pm

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

Scripture Reading: Thurs 10:30 am - 20 Beasy Court

Christian Meditation: Sat 11:30 am Parish Prayer Room

Charismatic Prayer Group: Tues 7:30pm in Church

Devotion Prayer and Exposition: Fri 3:00pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 10:00am

RECENT DEATH:

ANNIVERSARIES:

Saturday 6pm: Chris Bogemann (one year anniversary),
Helen Hrascenec

Sunday 9am: Josepha Warchow (one year anniversary)

Thursday 9.30am: Maria Matulin, Carolina Rosa (one month mass)

(Only members of the deceased's immediate family are permitted to arrange anniversary Masses.)



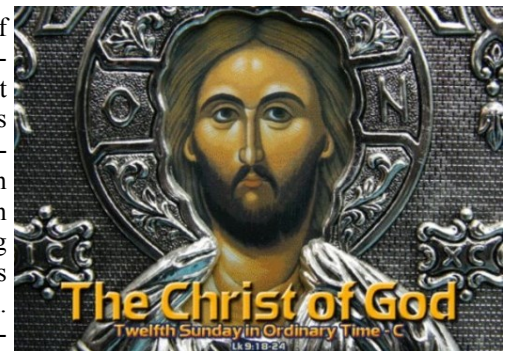
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

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

Lourdes Stanislaus (Fr Neville's mother), Joan Appleby, Ron Morello, Monica Crimmins, Daniel Ralli, Dan Rodan, John Devilee, Ethan Neyland, Georgie Manning, Dorothy Norris, Eileen Flanner, Fr Denis Dennehy, Eli Madden-Andrews, Kel Townsend, Vince Alicastro, Sid Robinson, Judy Hunt, Teresa Panuccio, Geraldine Brunner, Hailey Crossan, Siliako Lolesio

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The mention of prayer in Luke is always a signal that something momentous is about to happen. Today's gospel opens with the puzzling assertion that Jesus is praying "alone" although his disciples are with him. It is as if his conversation with them is part of



Jesus' solitary prayer. This gives us an insight into the prayer of Jesus: his prayer and his life mission are intimately connected. It is important for him and for his mission that his disciples come to recognise who he is. He puts two questions to them, "Who do the crowds say that I am?" and "Who do you say that I am?" The crowds see him as John the Baptist or Elijah or one of the prophets "arisen". We can hear the disciples all joining in this part of the conversation, sharing what they have heard. Their answers echo an earlier passage in this same chapter of Luke where Herod Antipas is said to be puzzled by such descriptions of Jesus and asks "Who is this about whom I hear such things?" (Luke 9:7-9).

Since Herod put this question, Jesus has pursued his ministry of teaching and healing and responding to the hunger of the crowds. Jesus himself now raises the question of his identity. We can sense the silence of the disciples when they are faced with the second question, "Who do you say that I am?" It is Peter alone who answers this time. For him and for the other disciples, Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah, the anointed of God. Jesus instructs them to keep this to themselves. The disciples have much to learn before they can truly understand what they profess.

Within first-century Judaism, many expected a royal militaristic figure who would drive out the occupiers and restore Israel's status as an independent nation. Even as Peter identifies Jesus as the "Messiah of God", it is unlikely that his notion of messiah or Christ leaves room for a suffering Messiah. Has Jesus in his prayer been pondering the way of suffering he is to endure if his work as the Messiah of God is to be completed? He is to undergo "great suffering", he will be rejected by the religious authorities, he will be put to death and God will raise him up. This description meets none of the popular expectations of God's Messiah.

In case the disciples miss the implications of this, Jesus makes it clear that suffering is also the lot of those who want to "follow" him. Discipleship, now as then, has nothing to do with protecting one's own interests, with "saving one's life". It has everything to do with hearing and responding to the distress of the human poor and the distress of the earth itself.

Veronica Lawson rsm

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & LITURGY

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Two Eucharistic ministers are needed for Saturday 6pm Mass on a rostered basis. New Eucharistic Ministers are most welcome and training will be provided. Please contact the Parish Office on 5021 2872 during Office hours.

PLEASE NOTE:

NO MASS TUESDAY 21 JUNE 7PM
NO MASS WEDNESDAY 22 JUNE 9.10AM
NO MASS FRIDAY 24 JUNE 5.40PM
MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED
ON THURSDAY 23 JUNE 9.30AM



FEAST OF ST ANTHONY

The committee of St Anthony would like to take this opportunity in thanking parishioners for their support and attendance at the annual Feast of St Anthony held last Sunday. Many thanks to the wonderful helpers who helped to make this annual event a great success.

FIRST EUCHARIST 2016

Congratulations to Finn Farrell who will receive the Eucharist for the first time this weekend. Also to Finn's parents and family who have accompanied him throughout his preparation for this Sacrament. As we know, the Eucharist is not a "one off sacrament". The invitation of Jesus is to be present each Sunday as the Community gathers to celebrate and His ongoing presence amongst us, and to be continually nourished with His life through our communion with Him in the Eucharist.



SERVING OUR SENIORS

Many of our senior parishioners complain about how cold the church is especially on a Sunday morning. During the months of July and August the Monaghan Centre will be available with chairs, T.V screen and heating. We would be grateful if volunteers were available to set up the Monaghan Centre before Mass, and make sure it is returned to normal after each 9am Mass.

PARISH FINANCE

Last week's collections

1st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$1310.45
2nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$2666.50
Loose Plate	\$ 554.45

Next Finance meeting will be held on Tuesday 21 June 7.30am in the Hillman Room.

COMMUNITY LIFE & OUTREACH

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP

Will gather at the home of Lyn & Colin Welsh 16 Westside Boulevard Mildura on Sunday 26th June for Lunch.

BYO drinks, sweet to share and \$5.00 to cover meal cost. Intensions to Lyn, Colin 50231356.

BAPTISM PREPARATION MEETING

Will be held on Wednesday 22nd June at 7.30pm in the Monaghan Centre.

FOUND

At the Sacred Heart Hall last Sunday during the festivities of the Feast of St Anthony a pair of gloves. Please contact Maria Page on— 0407 710 501

SACRED HEART LADIES SOCIAL GROUP

Would like to announce that they will no longer be able to fundraise and would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your kind support and generosity over the past number of years.
Marie Howden

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.



Congratulations! To Trevor Aust on receiving his Order of Australia Medal. Trevor has been honoured for his volunteer efforts within the local community which includes being a Justice of the Peace, working with St Vincent de Paul on "NILS" scheme, Vision Australia, Neighbourhood Watch, as well as helping out in the Parish Office. A wonderful recognition to a most deserving and a respected man of our Parish Community. Well done Trevor.

BUS TRIP TO WERRIMULL

Sacred Heart Parish next bus trip to Werrimull will be held on Sunday 31st July with Mass starting at 11am followed by a counter lunch at the pub. Please contact the Sacred Heart Parish Office to make a booking on 5021 2872.



ORLANDO SHOOTING BRINGS HATE TO ITS NATURAL CONCLUSION

Fatima Measham 14 June 2016

The tragedy in Orlando, Florida over the weekend is hate brought to its natural conclusion. In the wake of competing truths, this is what emerges and perhaps what matters most, if we are to make our way past.

So far, analyses of what happened at Pulse nightclub — an LGBTQ venue — follows a pattern made familiar in recent years. The gunman Omar Mateen, for instance, is described as having been unstable and aggressive. The upshot being that the violence bears no further explanation than individual choice, a flaw in character. It is an explanation that withers wretchedly against the incandescence of 300 lives, of which 49 were extinguished and 53 wounded.

It is also inadequate against a host of other elements: the ideologies internalised by the perpetrator (including notions of masculinity), the circumstances in which he was able to access assault rifles, biases that are now heightened by the violence, the temperature of political responses, law enforcement accountability, and public perceptions of global threat.

At the epicentre of all this is a place where young, queer men and women had felt safe and free to be themselves. It was a Latino-themed night, drawing many whose families had moved north for a better life. The nightclub itself was named by its co-founder for her brother, who had died of AIDS in 1991. Pulse, for the heart that beats on.

It lies arrested at the intersection of the hatreds that continue to grip western societies. The dead are almost all black, brown, gay and working class. The gunman bears a Muslim name. Based on comments from his ex-wife, he harboured contempt for women — a trait he shares with lone-actor shooters such as Anders Breivik (Utøya) and Elliot Rodger (Isla Vista).

If as Dr Cornel West has often said, justice is what love looks like in public, then injustice must be what hate looks like, and there is perhaps no greater injustice than murder. Mass murder is hatred realised in full grotesque proportion.

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What this means is that the little things we do to validate hatred are not inconsequential.

When gays and lesbians are spoken of as if they are sub-human, when their relationships do not bear equality before the law, when their parenting or teaching is described as child abuse, when their murderers can lodge a defence based on 'provocation', when their presence is policed (all the way to the toilet in the US), then their safety is rendered at particular risk. Society is held together or comes undone through the permissions that we give each other. These permissions lie along a continuum, from embracing difference to rigid hostility. When we adopt discriminatory language and policy, we shift further and further toward the prospect of real violence.

The response from the global LGBTQ community to the violence in Orlando has something to teach us in this regard, though it is a lesson that has come at unbearably painful cost. As public figures latched onto Omar Mateen's (speculated) ethno-religious motives, the pushback was unambiguous. In a widely circulated Facebook post, writer and activist Nic Holas seethes: 'I'm angry at the conservatives who bully and lobby to make our lives worse,

who today will use the dead bodies of my queer siblings and their friends to try and make me hate Muslims.'

Comedian Rebecca Shaw reinforced this sentiment in an SBS article: 'If you are someone who has argued against our humanity, who has used hateful rhetoric, who has fought actively against our rights — you do not get to use us now, pretending to care for us and love us, wielding us like a hammer that you can use to nail an agenda against people of a different faith. You are disingenuous, and we see you. We remember the damage that has been caused to us, the deaths that are on the hands of people of all sorts of religions. You do not get to use us this way.'

In the harsh aftermath of Orlando, it is clear that love does not always win despite what rainbow-flagged advocates might say, and it can be hard to struggle on amid the erasure of queer lives. But at the very least it shouldn't be so easy for hate to prevail.

'You do not get to use us this way.' If only this could become our standard response every time public figures look to cultivate animosity, fear and resentment.

Fatima Measham is a Eureka Street consulting editor.



FR MICHAEL'S SABBATICAL

With the presence of Fr Damian Styles in the Parish, Bishop Paul Bird suggested that Fr Michael take his sabbatical this year rather than next. He will be away during the months of July, August & September. Fr Ted McCormack from Hamilton will supply during

these months.

Fr Michael chose 3rd term of the school year because there are no major parish events planned during this period. We are very grateful to Fr Damian for his very effective contribution to our Parish, and trust in the support of our Parish for his ministry over these coming months. During the next 3 months Fr Michael will be walking from Canterbury in England to Rome. He will deliver the best wishes of the Parish to Pope Francis!

NEWS FROM OUR PRIMARY SCHOOL

ST PAULS PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Parents and Friends Committee met to continue finalising arrangements for a whole school social gathering next term. The Committee are organising a Masquerade Ball for Friday August 26th to be held at Willow & Ivie. There will be a band from Melbourne to provide the entertainment for the evening as well. It is a great social function that is open to not just our St Paul's community but also an invitation to invite friends across the district. In order to help keep the costs down we are seeking expressions of interest from any of our school families, who have businesses, to consider sponsorship for the evening. Likewise if your business is part of a franchise perhaps seeking support from the franchise as well. There will be lucky door prizes on the night. You can organise tables of ten with early bird discounts for whole tables booked. Keep the date Free.

Good luck to our Middle and Senior Choirs performing at the Mildura Eisteddfod on Monday. They have been busily rehearsing and I am confident they will give an outstanding performance.

Our student led conferences are on next week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Friday is also the last day of term and our St Paul's Feast Day. A great day has been planned for the children. A reminder that school will finish at 2.30pm Friday 24th June. As always, Keep the Faith.

Vince Muscatello—Principal

Our Parish Vision
**“Our Parish is a Eucharistic Community united by
 our faith in Jesus Christ.**
*We work together in the power of the Holy Spirit to
 spread the good news of God’s
 Kingdom.”*



Our Parish Schools

Sacred Heart Primary School
 Principal: *Des Lowry* 5023 1204

St Paul’s Primary School
 Principal: *Vince Muscatello* 5023 4567

St Joseph’s Secondary College
 Principal: *Marg Blythman* 5018 8000

18th & 19th June, 2016			25th & 26th June, 2016		
THIS WEEK’S READINGS			NEXT WEEK’S READINGS		
First Reading: Zech 12:10-11; 13:1 Resp Psalm: Ps 62:2-6, 8-9. R. v. 2 Response: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God. Second Reading: Gal 3:26-29 Gospel: Mk 10:35-45			First Reading: 1 Kings 19:16, 19-21 Resp Psalm: Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11. R cf. v. 5 Response: You are my inheritance, O Lord. Second Reading: Gal 5:1, 13-18 Gospel: Lk 9:51-62		
EUCHARIST MINISTERS			EUCHARIST MINISTERS		
SATURDAY	SUNDAY		SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
6PM	9AM	5PM	6PM	9AM	5PM
6 Ministers required	7 Ministers required	6 Ministers required	6 Ministers required	7 Ministers required	6 Ministers required
Irene Morello	Nancy Leonardis	Christine Slattery	Maria Cirillo	Maria Scopacasa	Wendy Finn
Katy Quinlan	Elena Garreffa	Jacinta Macri	Anne-Maree Greville	Susan Lewis	Tony Finn
Taiana Fatai	Maryanne Modica	Petelo Mafi	Irene Morello	Minda Wright	Melanie Ransome
Trish McNamara	Maria Page	Paula Cox	Katy Quinlan	Johanna Bagacay	Bill Dolence
Morris Henderson	Lyn Welsh	Jennifer Boord	Taiana Fatai	Rose Op’t Hoog	Jacqui Willis
Ellen Frauenfelder	Mary Grivec	Reni Cheriyan	Volunteer please	Rini Op’t Hoog	Barbara Bunting
	Giuseppe Scopacasa			Cora Howell	
MUSIC			MUSIC		
Youth Group	Tongan Choir	Sacred Heart Group	N Armsden	Youth Group	M Sullivan
K Mafi	M Sullivan	Leader	J Macri	K Mafi	J Ljubic
		M Faingaanuku	B Prescott		
ALTAR SERVERS			ALTAR SERVERS		
2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required	2 Servers required
Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer
OFFERTORY PROCESSION			OFFERTORY PROCESSION		
2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required
	Jim O’Donnell		Baptism	Baptism	
READERS			READERS		
Gary Huxtable	Julie O’Bryan	Vince Muscatello	Mary Jackson	Maria Page	Melanie Ransome
COUNTING TEAM 4			COUNTING TEAM 5		
KEVIN SCHULTZ 5023 8778			JIM FARRELLY 5021 5646		
IRYMPLE - SUNDAY - 8.30AM			IRYMPLE - SUNDAY - 8.30AM		
READER	EUCHARIST MINISTER		READER	EUCHARIST MINISTER	
D Knight	P Riordan		M Hoy	M Jensen	