



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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year A -
23rd & 24th September 2017

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 **Wednesday** or **Thursday**, the advertised Mass will be cancelled.

Tues: 6:00 pm

Wed: 9:15 am

Thurs: 9.15 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

Charismatic Prayer Meeting: Tuesday 6.30pm

Christian Meditation: Sat 11:30 am Parish Prayer Room

Devotion Prayer and Exposition: Fri 3:00pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 10:00am

RECENT DEATH: Fr Peter Taffe, Phil Mullane, Antonio Scopacasa (Italy-brother to Giuseppe Scopacasa & Maria Blefari Giovanni Blefari (Italy-brother to Domenico Blefari), Doug Godfrey

ANNIVERSARIES: Vince Manno

Saturday 6pm: Leon Odal, Carmelo Taverna

Sunday Irymple 8.30am: Nick Cappola

Sunday 9am: Elide Savogin, Libero Bachetti,

Wednesday 9.15am: Feast of St Vincent de Paul

Friday 5.40pm: Fr Tito Cecilia

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



THE 9.15AM MASS ON THURSDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER WILL BE CANCELLED DUE TO A FUNERAL MASS FOR PHIL MULLANE.

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.

Nada Zudetich, Dorothy Mullane, Dennis Ryan, Yvonne Ash, Brian Ramsay, Graeme Lewis, Joan Appleby, Hailey Crossan, Fr Denis Dennehy, Vince Alicastro, Siliako Lolesio

GOSPEL REFLECTION

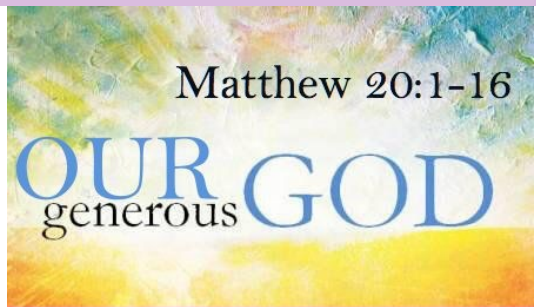
From 1973 to 1975, I was a student in East Jerusalem. Early each morning, I crossed the road from my home at the Chaldean Patriarchate to the grounds of the Ecole Biblique. I would see the Palestinian day labourers lined up beside their vehicles, waiting for employment. In the wake of the Yom Kippur War, they were living through hard times. In the morning, they were chatty and cheerful. Those who found work no doubt remained cheerful: they had the means to support their families and could find some meaning in their lives. Those still waiting for work at midday or later were dejected and shamed, not least by the prospect of returning home without their daily bread. Those who were hired found honour in the society and the means to sustain themselves and their families. Those who missed out on work suffered hunger, indignity and a sense of powerlessness. Confronted by this spectacle day after day, I began to understand the parable of the labourers in the vineyard.

In Matthew's parable, those who have worked all day grumble because the underemployed are made "equal" to them. They are in fact equal as persons. Jesus makes it clear that people's worth is not to be measured in terms of their capacity for economic production. Pope Leo XIII, writing about the condition of the working class back in 1891, echoes this aspect of the parable. It is worth revisiting Pope Leo's encyclical and recent commentaries on its relevance for the shaping of social policy in our times.

Those who cannot find work and those who cannot work because of sickness or disability or visa restrictions know something of the experience of the Palestinian workers. Their needs are no less urgent than the needs of those who have productive and well paid employment. Even minimal social security benefits might address their basic material needs but are less than effective in addressing the underlying issues of human dignity.

Parables yield meaning differently in different contexts. Some of us may want to consider the corrosive effects of "envy". Faced with the growing disparity between rich and poor in our world, some may want to raise questions about the concentration of wealth and power in the hands of the landowner. Others, conscious of the plight of asylum seekers and refugees, may come with questions about "generosity" offered from a base of power over against equal access to the world's resources. In the face of climate change, many of those who used to be "first" in economic terms now find themselves with huge debts. They may not be quite as desperate as the Palestinian day labourers. They nonetheless find themselves waiting in line as never before. There's an invitation in today's story for us all to live in ways that promote quality of life for every one of Earth's inhabitants.

Veronica Lawson rsm



SACRAMENTAL LIFE & LITURGY



BAPTISM

We welcome into our Parish Community, Esta Pascale, Elsie Freeman, Luke Mobilio, Samuel & Sophie Mobilio, whose Baptism occurs this weekend.

WEDDINGS

We congratulate Antony Njegovan & Alyce Washington who were married this weekend.



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2017

Parents of children in Grade 5 who celebrated First Eucharist last year are reminded that the Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated this year on the weekends of the **11th & 12th November and the 18th & 19th of November.**



The **Parent Information Evening** will be held at Sacred Heart Church **Wednesday 18th of October 7:00pm – 8:00pm.**

Parents **must** attend this evening to enrol their children in the Program. More information is available at the Parish Office Tuesday – Friday 9am – 4pm.

The **RCIA** will commence at the end of September. Please pass on this information to anybody you may know who is interested in becoming a Catholic or receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation & Eucharist during our Easter Ceremonies in 2018.



Liturgy

LITURGY MEETING

To be held on Wednesday 11th October at 4.15pm at the Parish Office.

New members most welcome to attend.

Happy School Holidays

MUSICIANS & SINGERS

If you can play either an instrument or sing or both, the Parish would love to hear from you.

We are specially in need of musicians for our weekend Masses.

Please contact the Parish Office on 5021 2872 if you can help out.



PARISH FINANCE

Last week's collections

1st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$1142.55
2nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$2679.45
Loose Plate	\$ 562.45

COMMUNITY LIFE & OUTREACH

BUPA AGED CARE MASS

Will be held on Tuesday 26th September 10.30am.

BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING

Will be held on Wednesday 27th September 7.30pm.

Our heart felt thanks to all Parishioners for your care and concern in regards to the Petition for Karen Belej. Over 9000 signatures were presented to Parliament this week. It really means a lot.



Louise, Gerry and boys

WEEKEND RETREAT IN OUYEN

Join us in Ouyen for a weekend retreat for all ages, with talks on the faith, times of prayer, fellowship and an opportunity to be recharged in the love of God.

When: 6-8th Oct (beginning Friday evening, ending before lunch on Sunday)

Where: St Joseph's Catholic Church, Ouyen

More info: Please see flyer on Notice Boards

Contact Marie to register your interest on 0417 660 893

BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND Collection for Sick and Retired Priests BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND Collection for Sick and Retired Priests

Last year our parish contributed \$3090.00 to this collection, which raised nearly \$60,000 throughout the Diocese. The collection in our parish this year has raised \$1847.80 to date.

The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund relies on your generosity to enable it to continue supporting our sick and retired priests. You are still able to contribute, by using the special envelope provided, or in an envelope marked "Ballarat Clergy Support Fund".



A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.

**CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US – THE CHURCH
COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY**



REMINDER NEXT WEEKEND

DON'T FORGET TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS FORWARD ONE HOUR

PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

SUNRAYZIA REGIONAL GATHERING

Will be held on Sunday 1st October 11.45am in the Monaghan Centre. All Parish Council members are expected to be present. A plate to share, please see Lyn Welsh.



Pastoral
Council

This is an important meeting as we need to begin to undertake some serious strategic planning for the future of this Catholic Region.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Social Justice Sunday – September 24, 2017

The Australian Catholic Social Justice Council (ACSJC) is preparing for the launch of the Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2017–2018, 'Everyone's Business: Developing an inclusive and sustainable economy'. A brief summary of the Social Justice Statement can be found at the ACSJC website:

http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au/files/SJSandresources/2017-SJS_summary.docx.

Copies are also available for you to take home.

COMMUNITY FORUM – MODERN SLAVERY IN AUSTRALIA

Currently the Australian Government is holding a Federal Inquiry into Modern Slavery and the Committee will be visiting Mildura on Monday 30 October with the purpose "to further investigate the issue of wage exploitation and slavery-like practices in the agricultural sector, particularly for migrants and backpackers."

By way of background the Salvation Army has independently run Australia's only safe-house for victims of human trafficking for the past 10 years and has been bringing together community and faith based organisations to raise awareness about modern slavery.

An invitation is extended to be part of:

A Community Forum – Modern Slavery in Australia

Sunday 29th October

2pm for 2:30pm start – 4pm finish

The Salvation Army 699-705 Fourteenth St, Mildura VIC
Afternoon tea provided

For catering and resource printing purposes please RSVP here:

For further information please contact Alison Rahill The Salvation Army -

The Freedom Partnership to end modern slavery mob 0427 517 157



Alison.rahill@ae.salvationarmy.org

120 YEARS OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN CHARLTON

On October 20 & 21 21, 2017 we will be celebrating 120 years of Catholic Education in Charlton – this is also Charlton Show weekend. We invite any past pupils and staff to attend our celebrations. Please contact Anne, ph. 0408 547 973 for further details.

JOKE

AN IRISH MIRACLE

Paddy had long heard the stories of an amazing family tradition. It seems that his father, grandfather and great-grandfather had all been able to walk on water on their 18th birthday. On that special day, they'd each walked across the lake to the pub on the far side for their first legal drink. So when Paddy's 18th birthday came around, he and his pal Jim took a boat out to the middle of the lake, Paddy, stepped out of the boat... And nearly drowned! Jim just barely managed to pull him to safety.

Furious and confused, Paddy went to see his grandmother. "Grandma," he asked, "Tis me 18th birthday, so why can't I walk across the lake like me father, his father and his father before him?"

Granny looked deeply into Paddy's, troubled blue eyes and said, "Because ye father, ye grandfather and ye great-grandfather were all born in December, when the lake is frozen, and ye were born in August, ya fookin idiot!"

NEWS FROM OUR PRIMARY SCHOOLS

ST PAULS PRIMARY

Welcome to the update for the last week of Term 3! This term has flown by and has been highlighted with our Mini Olympics (rescheduled 3 times), Daffodil Day, Book Week Parade, Footy Colours Day, Friday night Disco, Eco Village excursions, Grade 1 Camp, Senior Camp NAIDOC Day celebrations and a Bloke's Brekkie!

Tuesday the Middle unit students participated in their 'Mini Vinnie's' Day. Students contributed to the community by washing Fire Trucks, singing songs at Chaffey Aged Care, sharing stories with kindergarten students and making food to give to the Sacred Heart Soup Kitchen. Although these are small things, they have showed the students what a big difference they can make in our community.

The Senior students enjoyed their camp to Melbourne. From all accounts they had a fantastic time! The students visited some of the more traditional educational attractions such as the Museum, Scienceworks, Parliament House and the State Library. They also toured Etihad Stadium, the 4D cinema and went Ice Skating. We look forward to hearing all about it after the holidays.

Keep the faith

Vince Muscatello, Principal

SACRED HEART PRIMARY

Dear School Families and Friends,

Good morning everyone. Only a few more days and we're on holidays again. It's almost time to rest and recharge those batteries, ready for the excitement of Term Four.

We offer a huge thank you to Mrs Zalec for organising another incredible 'Kids Teaching Kids' week. This is an outstanding opportunity for some of our school leaders to inspire others and ignite passion for environmental action. This initiative will benefit our community now and well into the future. Well done to our SHEC members and all students for your enthusiastic commitment to environmental causes.

Our brilliant P&F has realised a (very) long-term dream and, thanks to your fundraising efforts, purchased **fridges for the children's lunchboxes**. These fridges will be in use from Term Four onwards.

We wish Mrs Thompson all the very best for her upcoming LSL and trip to QLD. Mrs Willis and Mrs Guthrie are also enjoying their LSL as we speak. Don't forget to come back, everyone!

Have a great week and an even better holiday break.

Warm regards,

Emma Rutherford, Deputy Principal

NEWS FROM ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE

On Friday September 15, St. Joseph's College teaching and non-teaching staff attended a professional learning day presented by Mr. Bernard Dobson an experienced catholic educator. His presentation centred on prayer, liturgy and the gospels. That night, we celebrated the 59th St. Joseph's College Ball. The night was a great success and students are to be congratulated on their exemplary behaviour.

This week has been special with our Mercy Mass being celebrated on Tuesday September 19. Sr. Sylvia Williams (former Principal) was our guest speaker, as well as speaking to many religious Education classes. Many other events occurred during Mercy week, including a footy colours day, BBQ and concert and money raised is donated to the Mercy missions. We give thanks to the Sisters of Mercy that started St. Joseph's College 111 years ago.

Philip Opie

Religious Education Domain Leader

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.”

The Parish of Sacred Heart is committed to the obligation to ensure the safety of all children in our care.

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

23rd & 24th September 2017

30th September & 1st October 2017

THIS WEEK’S READINGS

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS

First Reading: Isa 55:6-9
Resp Psalm: Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18. R. v. 18
Response: The Lord is near to all who call him.
Second Reading: Phil 1:20-24, 27
Gospel: Mt 20:1-16

First Reading: Ezek 18:25-28
Resp Psalm: Ps 24:4-9. R. v. 6
Response: Remember your mercies, O Lord.
Second Reading: Phil 2:1-11
Gospel: Mt 21:28-32

EUCCHARIST MINISTERS

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SATURDAY		SUNDAY		SATURDAY	SUNDAY	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	
Anne-Maree Greville	Maryanne Modica	Trish Cirillo	Maria Cirillo	Rose Op’t Hoog	Jacinta Macri	
Taiana Fatai	Lyn Welsh	Jeena Jose	Christine Carmichael	Rini Op’t Hoog	Paula Cox	
Margaret McDonald	Loretta Thompson	Joyce Ribarits	Ellen Frauenfelder	Cora Howell	Jennifer Boord	
Trish McNamara	Giuseppe Scopacasa	Clem Carlucci	Jacinda Deacon	Narie Lewis	Reni Cheriyan	
Morris Henderson	Maria Scopacasa	Vittorio Carlucci	Katy Quinlan	Renata Byra	Wendy Finn	
Anita Naray	Susan Lewis	Christine Slattery	Katelin Anesbury	Kapeli Mapapalangi		
	Minda Wright			Sonia Opie		

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N Armsden	Sacred Heart School		M Guthrie	Italian Choir	
& leaders	D Lowry		All leaders	N Armsden	
	L Thompson		welcome		

ALTAR SERVERS

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Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer	Please volunteer

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

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2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required	2 Volunteers required
Baptism	Baptism			Louise Belej	

READERS

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Christine Carmichael	Philip Opie	Melanie Ransome	Anita Naray	Jill Joslyn	Jancy Thomas

COUNTING TEAM 10

COUNTING TEAM 1

BRIAN GROGAN 5021 2099	GERRY LAVERY
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IRYMPLE - SUNDAY - 8.30AM

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READER	EUCCHARIST MINISTER	READER	EUCCHARIST MINISTER
J Kearney	W Smith	Mary Hoy	R Hill