



Sts Anne and Joachim

CATHOLIC PARISH OF SUNRAYSIA

IRYMPLE, MERBEIN, MILDURA, RED CLIFFS AND WERRIMULL

Parish Priest: Fr Matthew Thomas

Visiting Priest: Fr Jim McKay

Assistant Priest: Fr John Corrigan

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28th Sunday Year A OT / 15th October 2023

Message from our Parish Priest

Today's psalm response is ***I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.***

How lovely this would be to live in total and utter harmony with everyone and to have a positive approach to all that we do in life. If we work hard and pray constantly about this it is possible.

This weekend we welcome Fr Jim to Sunraysia as he has a wedding and is celebrating some of the masses this weekend.

Next Saturday the 21st October we celebrate and commemorate Fr Frank's 10th Anniversary with a special mass and morning tea.

Wednesday evening at 5.30pm & 6pm we have practice for those preparing to celebrate First Communion next weekend 21st /22nd Oct.

We had the Parents Information night last Wednesday for the sacrament of Reconciliation. Please pray for our young people preparing for this sacrament over the next few weeks.

God Bless
Fr Matthew.

Parish Contact Details

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Presbytery Tap & Go Units

These Units are located at all church entrances, this enables us to support our Priests.



Fr Frank Monaghan Memorial Mass

Saturday 21st October is the 10th Anniversary for death of Fr Frank. We are dedicating the 9.30am mass on that day in memory and thanks giving for the ministry and service Fr Frank shared in the Sunraysia. After the mass there will be a cuppa.

We warmly welcome everyone to attend and celebrate an amazing man. .



Baptisms



We welcome into our Parish Faith Communities **Ilka Deskovic, Isla Gregus, Celine Iudica, Luka Srta, Tom Fox and Darcy & Luca McDonald** whose baptism occurs this weekend.

Weddings

We congratulate the following couples who were married this weekend.

Frank Chirchiglia & Maree Brigante
Matthew Burns & Christine Caminiti



Finances – last weekend's Collections

1st Collection (supporting Priests & Presbytery)	\$1934.25
2nd Collection (includes all EFT, DD & CC)	\$1464.00
Loose Plate	\$ 638.60
Special Collection: BCSF	\$ 75.00
Special Collection: Missions	\$ 82.00
This Week's Counting Team	Team 5— H Kay
Next week's Counting Team	Team 6— W Carmichael

Sacramental Dates for 2023

Celebrations for the following Sacraments will take place:



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

(Gr 4 and above)

Friday 20th, Saturday 21st
& Sunday 22nd October

PENANCE (Gr 2 and above)

Wednesday 22nd November at 6pm

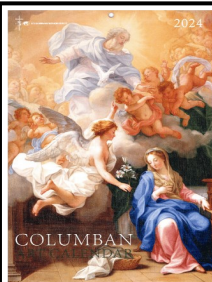
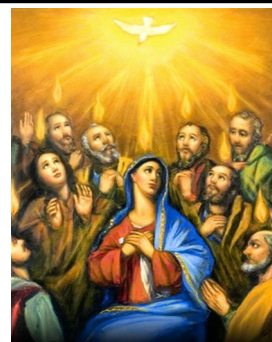


LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

A SIX WEEK COURSE OF
PRAYER & CATECHESIS FOR
CATHOLICS OF ALL AGES

Tuesdays, 6:45pm to 8pm
at Sacred Heart Church
Starts 17 October 2023

For details, see pamphlets in foyer.

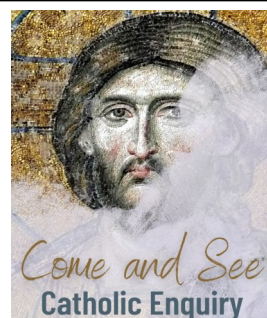


2024 Columban Calendars

Are now available for sale from each
church centre from this weekend.

Copies are also available from the Parish
Office. Cost: \$9.00 each

Ideal Christmas gifts,



COME AND SEE

FOR PEOPLE INTERESTED
IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

Thursdays, 7pm to 8pm
at Sacred Heart Church

Obligation free. For details,
see pamphlets in foyer.

Trading Stalls & Cuppa Red Cliffs

This Sunday — Cuppa and Trading stall will be
held after the 10am Mass 15th October

Red Cliffs. Proceeds from the stall this month will go
towards Catholic Missions.

Donations of produce, preserves, seedlings, baked goods
etc would be greatly appreciated and can be left on the
day.



Werrimull Mass Bus Trip

The next Werrimull Bus trip will be held
on Sunday 29th October. To make a
booking, please contact the Parish Office
on 5021 2872.



St Joseph's College Musical

St Joseph's College staff and students proudly present
Matilda Jr., The Musical.

Mercy Theatre – Riverside Ave,
Mildura.

Friday Nov. 3rd – 7pm

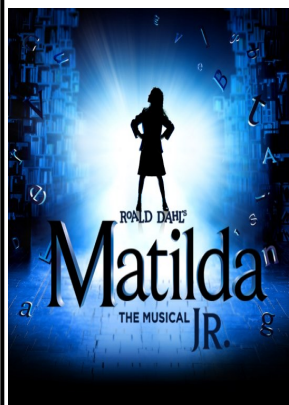
Saturday Nov. 4th 1pm or 7pm

Sunday Nov 5th – 1pm

Ticket on sale from October 9th
through Trybooking. Please log
on to the St Joseph's College
Website for the link.

Cost - \$20 Adult,

\$10 Concession



Advent—The Sign

Experience Advent and Christmas as
never before with The Sign and allow its
pages to unfold a deeper understanding
of the profound love and grace that
these seasons celebrate. The Parish has
ordered 50 copies. To reserve your copy
please contact the Office on 5021 2872.

WEEKLY PRAYER & SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Sacred Heart Church Mildura

Exposition and Benediction: Tuesday 4pm

Charismatic Group: Tuesday after 6pm Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday after 9:30am Mass

Monaghan Centre

Christian Meditation: Saturday 11.30am

Children's Catechesis: Saturday 10am – 11am

PARISH SCHOOLS CONTACT

Sacred Heart Primary School, Mildura

Principal: Mr Mark Gibson. Ph: 5023 1204

St Paul's Primary School, Mildura

Principal: Mr Vince Muscatello. Ph: 5023 4567

St Joseph's Primary School, Red Cliffs

Principal: Mrs Naomi Kennedy. Ph: 5024 1654

Our Lady of Sacred Heart, Merbein

Principal: Mrs Narelle Gallagher. Ph: 5025 2258

St Joseph's Secondary College, Mildura

Principal: Mrs Marg Blythman. Ph: 5018 8000

Sts Anne and Joachim Catholic Parish of Sunraysia adheres to the Child Safe Standards of Victoria.

Our policies are on display in each church, and on our website.

Parish Safeguarding Officer: **Vince Pileggi**.

This Weekend Roster: 14th & 15th October 2023				
	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Offertory	Music
Sat 6pm Mildura	A Naray	M Cirillo, P Kerr, Volunteer please	Baptism Family	M Guthrie
Sun 8.30am Irymple	G McCracken			M Smith
Sun 9am Mildura	L Welsh	L Belej, E Garreffa, T Fainga'anuku	Baptism Family	Tongan Community M Guthrie
Sun 10am Red Cliffs	M Slater	G Brizzi	Volunteer Please	T Lewis & Tongan Choir
Sun 10.30am Merbein	N Baby	J Dannatt	N Baby, Isabel & Maria	K East
Sun 5pm Mildura	J Thomas	B Dolence, S Hermans, B Bunting	Volunteer please	T Faingaanuku
Next Weekend Roster: 21st & 22nd October 2023				
	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Offertory	Music
Sat 6pm Mildura	1st Eucharist	M McDonald, A Naray, A Greville	1st Eucharist	St Paul & Sacred Heart Primary schools
Sun 8.30am Irymple	M Duck			M Smith
Sun 9am Mildura	1st Eucharist	M Modica, L Welsh, R O'Callaghan	1st Eucharist	St Paul & Sacred Heart Primary schools
Sun 10am Red Cliffs	1st Eucharist	J Cameron	1st Eucharist	T Lewis & Tongan Choir
Sun 10.30am Merbein	1st Eucharist	N Prevedello	1st Eucharist	K East
Sun 5pm Mildura	1st Eucharist	K Groves, J Hall, M Rodi	1st Eucharist	St Paul & Sacred Heart Primary schools

Please Pray for the Sick
 Tess Kerr
 Catherine Bell
 Natalina D'Anna
 Morgan Dias-Jones

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.

Recent Deaths

Anniversaries

Mildura:
 Sunday 9am:
 Patrick John Crowley (one month mass).
 Angelo Grande, Minda Wright

Wednesday 9.30am:
 Des Drewry

Merbein:
 Barbara O'Dwyer, Elizabeth Maffei,
 Dom Zappia, Leon Wagner,
 Julian McGowan, Ronald Jackson,
 Patrick Olden and Fr Frank Monaghan

Red Cliffs:
 Giuseppe & Maria D'Anna, Domenico &
 Caterina D'Anna, Giuseppe D'Anna, Cecilia &
 Domenica D'Anna, Vincenza Tassone

Please note that if you have booked a memorial mass you are reminded to speak to the priest prior to the mass to let him know you are there.



MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Monday	11am	Funeral Prayers
Tuesday	9.30am	Red Cliffs
	4pm	Expo/Benediction
	6pm	Mildura
Wednesday	9.30am	Mildura
Thursday	9.30am	Merbein Anoint
	9.30am	Mildura
	5.30pm	Red Cliffs
Friday	6pm	Mildura 1st Euch
Saturday	9.30am	Mildura
	6pm	Mildura 1st Euch
Sunday	8.30am	Irymple
	9am	Mildura 1st Euch
	10am	Red Cliffs 1st Euch
	10.30am	Merbein 1st Euch
	5pm	Mildura 1st Euch

What's Happening **October 2023**

Thu 19: Anointing Mass, Merbein 9.30am
Thu 19: Regis Ontario Aged Care Service 1.30pm
Tue 24: Finance Meeting, Parish Office 7.15am
Wed 25: Anointing, Mildura Mass 2pm
Wed 25: Baptism Preparation evening, Monaghan Centre 7pm

Few Are Chosen

Matthew 22:1-14

First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

On this mountain,
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines,
of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines.
On this mountain he will remove
the mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
he will destroy Death for ever.
The Lord will wipe away
the tears from every cheek;
he will take away his people's shame
everywhere on earth,
for the Lord has said so.
That day, it will be said: See, this is our God
in whom we hoped for salvation;
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.
We exult and we rejoice
that he has saved us;
for the hand of the Lord
rests on this mountain.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22. R. v.6

(R.) I shall live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life.

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)
2. He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff;
with these you give me comfort. (R.)
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. (R.)
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me

all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. (R.)

Second Reading

Philippians 4:12-14. 19-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

See Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out onto the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

Next Weeks Readings: / 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 22nd October 2023

First Reading: Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

Psalm: Ps 95:1, 3-5, 7-10

Second Reading: St Paul to the Thessalonians 1:1-5

Response: Give the Lord glory and honour.

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21