

29th Sunday Year A OT / 22nd October 2023



Sts Anne and Joachim
CATHOLIC PARISH OF SUNRAYSIA



IRYMPLE, MERBEIN, MILDURA, RED CLIFFS AND WERRIMULL

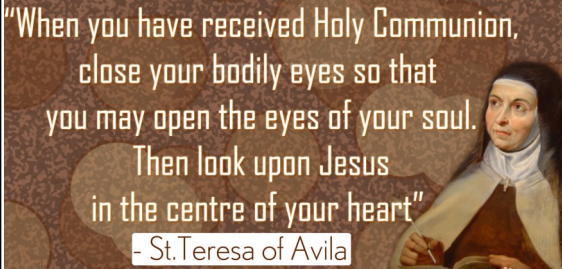
Parish Priest: Fr Matthew Thomas

Visiting Priest: Fr Jim McKay

Assistant Priest: Fr John Corrigan

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Message from our Assistant Priest

This weekend we celebrate First Holy Communion! It's an occasion for all of us to recall our own First Communion — and also to focus on how we receive Holy Communion at every Mass.

After receiving, it's advisable to dedicate a few minutes thanking Jesus for his Real Presence in our body and soul. The Holy Spirit does not guide souls collectively, but inspires us personally, with unique resolutions, inspirations and affections. Still the central theme of our conversation after Holy Communion might include a consideration that Jesus is our friend, teacher, and *physician*.

Jesus insists that the worst sickness is hypocrisy: pride that leads us to hide our sins, even from ourselves. We must be totally sincere with him. We tell him the whole truth, and then we say: "Lord, you have cured so many souls; help me to receive you as the Divine Physician. These are my faults, but only say the word and I shall be healed."

Godspeed, Fr John.



Fr Frank Monaghan Memorial Mass

A wonderful thank you Fr Jim McKay and to all who came to help celebrate the 10 year anniversary of Fr Frank Monaghan. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

All Saints & All Souls Day

Wed 1st Nov — **All Saints** — Sacred Heart Church, 9.30am
Thu 2nd Nov — **All Souls** — Sacred Heart Church, 9.30am

Remembrance Mass

Fri 3rd Nov — Sacred Heart Church, 6pm. BBQ to follow.

Cemetery Masses

Thu 2nd Nov — Red Cliffs Cemetery, 5.30pm
— Merbein Cemetery, 6pm
Tue 7th Nov — Murray Pines Cemetery, 6pm
Wed 8th Nov — Nichols Point Cemetery, 6pm

CHANGE OF RED CLIFFS MASS TIME

Next Sunday, 29th October, Mass at St Joseph's Church Red Cliffs moves from 10am to **10.30am**.

Parish Contact Details

Administration Officer: Ms Carmel Russo
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Presbytery Tap & Go Units

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



Weddings

We congratulate **Maleko Mapapalangi and Peatamai Nikau** who were married at St Joseph's, Red Cliffs this weekend.



Finances – last weekend's Collections

1st Collection (supporting Priests & Presbytery)	\$3228.60
2nd Collection (includes all EFT, DD & CC)	\$2262.00
Loose Plate	\$ 1295.40
Special Collection: BCSF	\$ 50.00
This Week's Counting Team	Team 6— W Carmichael
Next week's Counting Team	Team 7—J Farrelly

First Holy Communion

This weekend we pray for all children who will be celebrating their:

First Holy Communion

We thank their parents, family and parish community for their ongoing support and prayers.



Reconciliation for 2023

Celebrations for the Reconciliation will take place:

Wednesday 22nd November, 7pm,

Sacred Heart Church, Mildura



Werrimull Mass

The next Werrimull Mass will be held on Sunday 29th October followed by lunch at the pub. **The school bus is no longer available, so it is requested that you car-pool.** For further information please call 5021 2872.

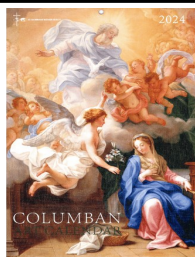


2024 Columban Calendars

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.



Advent—The Sign

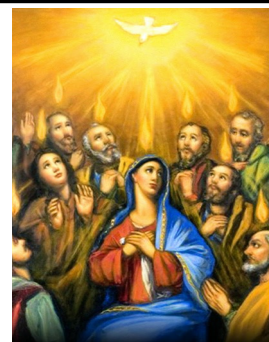
Experience Advent and Christmas as never before with The Sign and allow its pages to unfold a deeper understanding of the profound love and grace that these seasons celebrate. The Parish has ordered 50 copies. To reserve your copy please contact the Office on 5021 2872.

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.

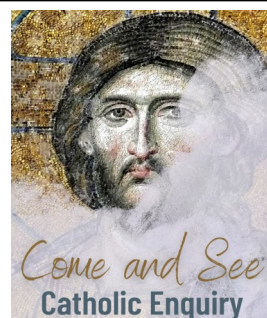


COME AND SEE

FOR PEOPLE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

Thursdays, 7pm to 8pm
at Sacred Heart Church

Obligation free. For details, see pamphlets in foyer.



2024 Rosters for Readers, Eucharistic Minister, Counters

New Rosters for Mildura and Red Cliffs churches for 2024 will be compiled shortly. If you would like to make any changes for your ministry or if you would like to be a part of any of the above ministries 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

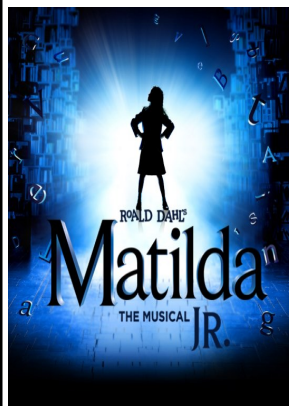
Saturday Nov. 4th 1pm or 7pm

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



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: 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
Next Weekend Roster: 28th & 29th October 2023				
	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Offertory	Music
Sat 6pm Mildura	C Carmichael	M Cirillo, R Tongue, P Kerr		M Guthrie All welcome
Sun 8.30am Irymple	W Schmidt			M Smith
Sun 9am Mildura	T Fainga'anuku	R & R Op't Hoog, E Mazza	L Belej	T Fainga'anuku Group
Sun 10am Red Cliffs	J Cameron	C Cavallaro	Cameron Family	T Lewis & Tongan Choir
Sun 10.30am Merbein	F Sabo	Val McCarthy	R Antony Family	K East
Sun 5pm Mildura	M Bowring	M Irvin, S Hermans, J Jose		Youth Mass

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
 Joseph Andrasek,
 Saverio (Sam) Fuda-(30 year anniversary)

Mildura:
 Saturday 6pm:
 Anna Maria Tripodi

Sunday 5pm:
 Domenica Ficarra, Bruno Timpano

Tuesday 6pm:
 Ercolina Chiera (Italy-sister of Elena DeLuca)

Friday 6pm:
 Margarita Bowring (100th birthday)

Merbein:
 George Kremor, Mona Wells, Peg DiMase,
 Zelinda Manno, Maine Rosevear,
 Carmel Chapman, Irene O'Connor's

Red Cliffs:

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

Tuesday	9.30am	Red Cliffs
	4pm	Expo/Benediction
	6pm	Mildura
Wednesday	9.30am	Mildura
Thursday	9.30am	Merbein
	9.30am	Mildura
	5.30pm	Red Cliffs
Friday	6pm	Mildura
Saturday	9.30am	Mildura
	6pm	Mildura
Sunday	8.30am	Irymple
	9am	Mildura
	10am	Red Cliffs
	10.30am	Merbein
	5pm	Mildura



What's Happening **October 2023**

Tue 24: Finance Meeting, Parish Office 7.15am

Wed 25: Anointing, Mildura Mass 2pm

Wed 25: Baptism Preparation evening, Monaghan Centre 7pm

Found

A set of keys with an AFL logo. Please contact 5021 2872 to claim.

Diocesan Business Manager Position

The Catholic Diocese of Ballarat invites applications from appropriately qualified and experienced persons for the position of Diocesan Business Manager, who is responsible to the Bishop for the accounting and financial management of the various diocesan departments and commissions, investment and property management and advice to parishes, clergy and the Bishop on finance and administration matters. This is a full-time five year contract position (six month probationary period) with ongoing contract after review. Information about the position and how to apply can be accessed on the diocesan website at <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/employment/> or or by phoning (03) 5337 7121. Queries can be directed to the Bishop's Office on 5337 7121. The closing date for applications is Friday, November 3, 2023 at 5.00pm.

First Reading

Isaiah 45:1.4-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whom he has taken by his right hand
to subdue nations before him
and strip the loins of kings,
to force gateways before him
that their gates be closed no more:

It is for the sake of my servant Jacob,
of Israel my chosen one,
that I have called you by your name,
conferring a title though you do not know me.
I am the Lord, unrivalled;
there is no other God besides me.
Though you do not know me, I arm you
that men may know from the rising to the setting
of the sun
that, apart from me, all is nothing.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 95:1. 3-5. 7-10. R. v.7

(R.) Give the Lord glory and honour.

1. O sing a new song to the Lord,
sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the peoples. (R.)
2. The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
to be feared above all gods;
the gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens. (R.)
3. Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts. (R.)
4. Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness. (R.)

"Master, we
know that
you are an
honest man
and teach
the way of
God in an
honest way."

Matthew 22:16



Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

Gospel Acclamation

Philippians 2:15. 16

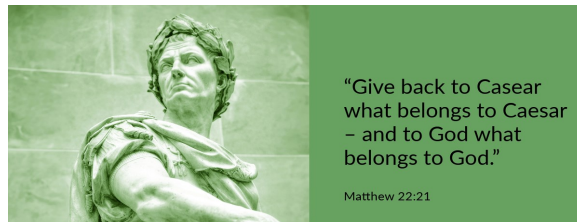
Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22:15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'



"Give back to Casear
what belongs to Caesar
– and to God what
belongs to God."

Matthew 22:21

Next Weeks Readings: / 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 29th October 2023

First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26

Psalm: Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51

Second Reading: St Paul to the Thessalonians 1:5-10

Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40