

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.
 Child Safety Officers:- Mildura—Christine Slattery, Merbein—Kevin Aston, Red Cliffs—Bernadette Gardner*

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	AS ADVISED
FRIDAY	5:40PM	9:30AM	
SATURAY	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: Noreen Armsden

ANNIVERSARIES:

Saturday 6pm: Marion Sharman
 Sunday 5pm: Sebastiana Mosello

RED CLIFFS

Recent Death:

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

MERBEIN

Recent Death:

Anniversaries: Nov. 11th Ellen Walsh, Adrian Prevedello, Marion Sharman; 14th Cosimo Dichiera; 15th James McAllister; 17th Charles Mangan.

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

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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year B 10th & 11th November 2018

Whether the longer or shorter gospel reading is selected for today's liturgy, the literary context deserves attention. Jesus is teaching the crowds in the Jerusalem Temple. He knows the vulnerability of many of the people around him and issues a warning about the grandiose behaviour of the Jerusalem scribes. The scribes were generally learned men on whom the people relied for rulings in matters of sacred law as well as for drawing up contracts and other important documents. They commanded the respect of many of the people. Jesus is not impressed by the behaviour of some of the scribes. He sees their pomposity as a mask for dishonesty and exploitation: they will receive the "greater condemnation". They "devour the houses of widows" and hide behind the pretext of long prayers. Widows included women who had lost their husbands through death or divorce as well as single unmarried women. They were women alone without male protection in a patriarchal society and without the benefit of a social security system. They were dependent for survival upon the care of family and community. Jesus' words of condemnation are strong words that will understandably provoke a reaction. It is no surprise that the Jerusalem scribes are among those who later conspire to kill him (Mark 14:1).

It is easy enough to be taken in by the posturing of those who present as superior and who look for status recognition. It is also easy to miss the goodness of those on the edge even if it is happening before our very eyes. The context presents Jesus as attuned to the plight of the widows. He now notices and draws the attention of his disciples to the action of one particular "destitute" widow. Her tiny contribution to the treasury of two copper coins for the upkeep of the Temple is far more significant than the big sums contributed by the wealthy out of their excess. Is this woman being presented as the victim of an unjust system that extracts from her what she cannot afford, as some commentators insist? Or is the Markan Jesus presenting her as a free agent, a model of discipleship, who offers everything she has to live on? It may not be necessary to choose between these two interpretations. It is clear that this woman's action provides a striking contrast to that of the scribes, like the action of another woman who, a little later in the story, breaks a precious jar and pours an abundance of healing ointment over the head of Jesus as he faces the prospect of death. As the gospel draws to a close, then, we find two stories of extravagantly generous unnamed women, stories told in memory of their gospel foolishness.



Veronica Lawson rsm

Sacred Heart 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.

Sandra McCarthy, Jean Lanigan, Mick Joslyn, Albis Dy, Jill Antonie, Ron Russell, Brian Ramsey, Graeme Lewis, Vince Alicastro, Fr Denis Dennehy, Geraldine Brunner, Hailey Crossan

Sacramental Life & Liturgy

BAPTISM

We welcome into our Parish Community Amalia & Milaan Roccisano, Amelia Hickey, Sophie & Stella Roberts whose Baptism occurs this weekend.



WEDDINGS

We congratulate Ferdinand Circosta and Ida Louise Dichiera who were married this weekend.

Congratulations to all the children confirmed this weekend. May the Spirit continue to work in your lives so that you grow into mature Christians and messengers of the Good News.



RCIA 2018 –2019—Advance notice

Meeting with sponsors and candidates Thursday 22nd November 7pm, Hillman Room.

Community Life & Outreach

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS MEETING

Monday 12th November 7.30pm in the KSC Clubrooms.

FINANCE MEETING

Tuesday 13th November 7.30am, Parish Office.

PRINCES COURT AGED CARE MASS

Tuesday 13th November 10am. All welcome

THE SACRED HEART FAMILY GROUP

Is lunching at the Mildura Golf Club on Sunday the 11th November at Noon. All welcome. Please let Helen or John know your intentions on 0427441466 / 0419563055

HELPERS REQUIRED FOR MONEY COUNTING

We are still in need of 3 volunteers who can help with money counting. Please contact the Sacred Heart Parish Office on 5021 2872 for further information.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC LADIES GROUP

Will not be meeting early this month but a luncheon has been arranged at Woodies Rock Shop on Tuesday 27th November at 12.30pm. Please contact Aileen on 5021 5939.

COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2019

are now available from the kiosk at the back of the Sacred Heart Church, cost \$9 each. Religious Christmas Cards are also now available.

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

Community Life & Outreach



SACRED HEART SHARED TABLE STALL & CUPPA

after the 9am Mass this Sunday

Donations to this stall need to be perishable items such as: fruit, vegetables, preserves, home baked and home crafted items.

All money collected goes directly to the Projects of The Shared Table in Lima, Peru.

All are most welcomed to share a cuppa, conversation and community.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES: important notice.

At times envelopes are collected without a **PG** number. Unidentified envelopes cannot be allocated to parishioners' records. **Please ensure your envelop contains a PG number.** If you believe this has happened to you please contact the Sacred Heart Parish Office on 50212872, so we can allocate the funds.

REGIONAL NEWS & EVENTS

Powers of Attorney & Advance Care Directive FREE INFORMATION EVENING SESSION (Update on recent changes)

Allie Colliyer—Community Legal Education Worker from Mallee Family Care has kindly agreed to another information session.

When: Thursday 15th November 6pm

Please contact the Sacred Heart Parish Office on 5021 2872 if you would like to attend the session.

SUNRAYSA AUXILIARY OF BIBLE SOCIETY AUSTRALIA Presents

Carols In Henderson Park—November 24th, 2018, 7pm.

Free will offering to further the work of the Bible Society. If there is any interested person who would like to join the committee as a Catholic Representative please contact: Kent on 0407 194 399.

CATHOLIC MISSIONS PHILIPPINES IMMERSION 2018

Four St Joseph's College Year 12 Students will be involved in a Service Learning Project from 6th to 18th December 2018 in the Philippines. The students are raising funds to build new kitchens for their host communities in the Philippines. With their current kitchen set ups, it is difficult for local village mums to cook during the rainy season. At the moment 12 families are in need of new kitchens.

Each kitchen unit including the concreting of the ground costs 10,000PHP (around \$260 AUD). These units are good for two families and will make a big difference in their lives.

Please help Nicholas, Nic, Maddy and Bailey by buying some raffle tickets or donating some funds or goods.

Raffle: Cinema Voucher & Confectionery

Cost: 50 cents each or 3 or \$1.00

Drawn: End of November 2018

Further information see flyers on notice boards.

Thank you to everyone for your prayers for Mick Joslyn, you will never know how much it means to us both. Jill Joslyn

MOMENTS WITH GOD

A book from the Vincentian Retreat Centre, Melbourne is now available at the Sacred Heart Parish Office for \$10.00 each.

MILDURA PARISH FINANCE

Last week's collections

1 st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$1608.95
2 nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$2837.75
Loose Plate	\$ 778.40
Monaghan Centre	\$ 220.00

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



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Jean Lanigan, Tim Lewis, Brendan Bell, Caterina Brizzi, Marie Adams, Raymondo Chan, Albis, Roman & Joe Dy, Graeme Lewis, Robert & Elizabeth Young, Joe Cufari, Maurice O' Connor, Joe Mammone



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Martin Rogers, Anne-Maree Whitechurch, Kit Coogan, Maria Pyatt, Ted Verryt, Frank Chandler, Fr Frank Smith CSSR

WEEKDAY SCRIPTURES Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30am
Thursday Mass 5.30pm and Friday & Saturday Mass 9.30am

Sunday Nov 25: Feast of Christ the King.
Sunday Dec 2: 1st Sunday of Advent
Monday Dec 3: Jacaranda Village Aged Care Service 2pm. All welcome.
Sunday Dec 9: St Joseph's Primary School—End of Year Mass

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Parish Community Reuben Burr & Sonny Lanigan who will be baptised today.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

There was no Confirmation-First Communion class this year. However, a Grade 4 student, Georgina Corey, is obviously ready for these Sacraments. So, between them, Chen Cavallaro and Sera Fuoco have been preparing her. Georgina will receive her First Holy Communion during our Mass for Sunday November 25, the Feast of Christ the King.

more REGIONAL NEWS & EVENTS

COLUMBAN CALENDAR - Who are the Columbans? St. Columbans Mission Society, commonly known as The Columban Fathers, is a missionary Catholic Society of Apostolic life. Columban priests work in co-operation with Columban Sisters, Lay Missionaries, and co-workers in 16 countries: Australia, Brazil, Britain, Chile, China, Fiji, Ireland, Korea, Myanmar, New Zealand, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Taiwan and the USA. The Columbans work in solidarity with the poor and go in the name of the Church to announce the Good News of Jesus Christ. Each year a Calendar is produced and proceeds from their sales are sent overseas to support missionary work of the Society.

Plenary Council 2020 - Listening and Dialogue Encounters

All are invited to participate in the *Listening and Dialogue* process to contribute to the Plenary Council agenda. Information flyer available on the Ballarat diocese website

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au. All of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"

Questions for individuals or groups:

1. What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?
2. What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020?
3. Do you have a story of your experience of faith, or the Church you would like to share?

Please submit your responses by Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2019 at www.plenarycouncil.org.au

RED CLIFFS PARISH FINANCE

Last week's collections	
1 st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$217.30
2 nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$413.00
Loose Plate	\$ 77.00

PARISH COUNCIL

Our monthly meeting is held on the 2nd Sunday of the month - which is today at 11.30am or immediately after the Remembrance Service.



COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2019

If you would like to support the Columban Mission by purchasing a Calendar, please give your name to Sr Carmel.

PLENARY COUNCIL

An open invitation is extended to all to come and join in DISCUSSION and BBQ. We need input from as many people as possible, regardless of religious affiliation, to share ideas that could help us as a Christian Community to move forward together for the benefit of all the local and wider community. So come along and share your ideas and our food and make it a productive and a pre - Christmas celebration.

DATE: Saturday 1st December. **TIME:** 5.00pm onwards.
PLACE: Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Primary School, 18 Box Street Merbein

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mission Mass: will be held on Friday November 16th at 9:15 am. All families are welcome to attend. Following the Mass, we will be having our inaugural Colour Run followed by our annual Missions Activities. All money raised will go towards the Myanmar Project.

Tickets for the major school raffle are on sale after Mass today. As you will see there are some very good prizes to be won. Please support our school by buying a ticket.

SCHOOL NEWS

Today is Remembrance Day. As part of the Service the students from OLSH have been asked to recite part of a poem. Parishioners are invited to attend

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ANNIVERSARY LIST

A renewal of the Anniversary List, names of which are placed on the Notice Sheet each week, is in need of an update. Would you please fill in names and date of death of those whom you wish to be remembered each year at the time of their anniversary. Book on table at side entrance.

MERBEIN PARISH FINANCE

Last week's collections	
1 st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery)	\$ 75.00
2 nd Collection (includes DD, CC & EFT)	\$257.25
Loose Plate	\$ 38.25

November 11: Remembrance Day

When two celebrations are linked they each evoke stories that help us to understand each one better. That is so in the case of World Science Day for Peace and Development and Remembrance Day. The latter looks to the past and the former to the future. World Science Day also hopes to learn from the past and Remembrance Day points to the lessons we should hold in our minds as we look to the future.

Remembrance Day is held on the anniversary of the Armistice that ended fighting in the First World War. Its symbol became the blood-red poppy that bloomed everywhere in Flanders. It initially commemorated all the soldiers of the victorious armies who had died in the battle, but now honours the dead of many wars. It also celebrated the longed-for peace that followed the war and the hope that there would be no more war in their time. The poppies of the Flanders Fields also became associated in Christian minds with the flowers of which Jesus spoke which neither toiled nor spun but whose beauty was a simple gift. They exemplified the trust that brings peace, just as the stinking mud of the trenches pointed to the mistrust that causes war.



That war was hoped to end war. It did not, and many of the soldiers caught in it were dragged later into the Second World War. Since then wars and military actions have constantly disturbed the peace, all fought in the name of peace.

World Science Day reminds us that science has not always served peace and development. In the First World War scientists put their minds to the development of poison gas, more powerful explosives, tanks and guns that multiplied death and misery. In the war that followed, more civilians died than soldiers due to technical developments, including the use of atomic weapons that now have the power to destroy human life on earth.



*"They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them nor the years condemn,
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We shall remember them"*

Scientists clearly are not experts on peace and development. But as human beings they have much to contribute to the making of a peaceful and fertile world. The skills, gifts and advocacy they bring can serve peace in a sustainable world if used well. For that to happen societies need to be built on respect for others, and that respect to shape relationship between citizens and between nations. Peace and development are dependent on a change of heart in hearts and politics which places cooperation over competition, reconciliation over aggression and negotiation over violence. Remembrance Day recalls the urgency of his change of heart and the costs of its lack.



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

ASSIST A STUDENT PROGRAM

The AAS program assists students in very poor circumstances in countries to our north, from India to Fiji, get to school. We all appreciate that education is the key in helping people to get out of the poverty cycle. It costs \$70.00 to assist a student for one year.

Pamphlets and sponsorship slips are available at the Church doors. Any queries to Sr. Patricia Fitzgibbon 5021 5486. Many thanks from all the Sacred Heart Conference, St. Vincent de Paul.

This Weekend's Responsorial Response: Praise the Lord, my soul!

NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTERS AND READINGS 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year - 17th & 18th November 2018

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3
 Responsorial: Ps 15:5, 8-11
 Response: Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope
 Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18
 Gospel: Mark 13:24-32



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	Anita Naray	Jill Joslyn	Tony Finn	P Riordan	M Matotek J Lewis/C Markham	Lorraine Olden	November 25th
Music	Filipino Community	Tongan Choir	M Hammond J Macri / J Ljubic		Guitar		Vernon Knight Elvira Iamarino
Offertory		Baptism			Cameron Family	Piscioneri Family	
Altar Servers	Volunteer please	Volunteer please	Volunteer please		Gabriella Strangio	Volunteer please	December 30th
Eucharist Ministers	Christine Carmichael	Minda Wright	Jacinta Macri	D Knight	Sebastian Morello	Vi Barling	Nancy Prevedello Kevin Aston
	Ellen Frauenfelder	Rose Op't Hoog	Paula Cox		Jessica Bertoli	M Farnsworth	
	Jacinda Macri	Rini Op't Hoog	Jennifer Boord		Tenzin Bertoli		
	Katy Quinlan	Cora Howell	Reni Cheriyan		C Cavallaro		
	Vince Pileggi	Narie Lewis	Wendy Finn		J Divola	CHAFFEY AGED CARE	
	Volunteer Please	Renata Byra	Tony Finn		M Cavallaro	Pat Sylvia Annette Lemon	
		Kapeli Mapapalangi			FLOWERS		
Counting Team	TEAM 10	BRIAN GROGAN 5021 2099			B Gardner/S Williams		
Church Cleaning	As per arrangement			As per arrangement	Volunteers	As per arrangement	