

OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART

MERBEIN

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ATTENDING PRIESTS: Fr. Michael McKinnon.

Fr. Peter Jose, Fr. Pat. Flanagan.



2nd. Sunday of Ordinary Time. January 17th. 2016.

Vision & Mission Statement

We are a welcoming Catholic Community committed to following Jesus Christ in our daily life. We do this by:

- * *Coming together regularly to worship God;*
- * *Witnessing to Gospel values in our daily lives;*
- * *Nurturing the growth & development of our faith;*
- * *Caring for all in our Community;*
- * *Taking responsibility for our Parish.*



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Jean Arnold, Rianne Davey, Kit Coogan, Alicia Knight, Peter Willcock, Margarita Berton, Kitty Grace (Jenny Mc Coy's mother), Lynette Rattray, Joan Appleby, Maria Pyatt, Theresa Panuccio, and Bishop Ronald Mulkearns.



RECENT DEATHS: Basil McKay, January 12th. (Father of Fr. Jim McKay, Robinvale)

ANNIVERSARIES: Jessie Barnes, January 18th. Guiseppe Manno, January 20th.

NO MASS: At Our Lady's Church, Merbein, on Thursdays through all of January.

FINANCE FOR LAST WEEK:

DATE	PARISH HOUSE	PLANNED GIVING	LOOSE MONEY	
January 10 th .	\$17.00	\$45.50	\$195.45	

ROSTERS:

DATE	READER	COMMUNION	
January 17 th .	L. Olden.	Evaine Kremor.	Natalie Besgrove.
January 24 th .	N. Prevedello.	Kevin McCoy.	Jenny McCoy.
DATE	ALTAR SERVERS		
January 17 th .	Kevin Simmons. Amos Jenkins.	Charlee Besgrove.	Elana de Koning.
January 24 th .	Kevin Simmons.	Charlee Besgrove.	

OFERTORY PROCESSION	CHURCH CLEANING
January 17 th . de Koning Family.	January 23 rd . V. Barling & S. Graham.
January 24 th . Phelan Family.	February 6 th . Curtis & Ellis Families.

COMMUNION TO CHAFFEY AGED CARE

January 17th. Pat Sylvia & Annette Lemon. January 24th. Kay Wagner & Corrie Conway.

COMING EVENTS:

Wednesday, January 20th. Prayer Service at Chaffey Aged Care, 10.30.a.m.
Sunday, January 26th. Australia Day.
Wednesday, January 27th. Parish Pastoral Council Meeting. 7.30.p.m.
(Please note the change of date.)
Friday, January 29th. First Term for 2016 begins for Schools.
Sunday, January 31st. Lay Led Liturgy.
Monday, February 1st. Theresian Meeting, 7.30.p.m.
Wednesday, February 10th. Ash Wednesday. The Beginning of Lent.



FAREWELL TO Fr. Peter: As today, January 17th. is Fr. Peter's last Sunday with us, We are having a Farewell Morning Tea after Mass so that we have a chance to say goodbye, to him and thank him for his ministry to us in our Parish, and wish him every blessing in his new Parishes.

As there is a Baptism in the Church after Mass, Morning Tea will be served on the lawns at the front of the Church near the Monaghan seat!

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND:

- Latisha and Elana de Koning, daughters of Jason and Leusanne de Koning are being Baptised into our Catholic Community today.
We congratulate them on their decision to live as members of the the Catholic Church.

HOLY YEAR OF MERCY: (Another quote from Pope Francis.)

"God's mercy can make even the driest land become a garden, can restore life to dry bones" (cf. Ez. 57:1-4)

"Let us be renewed by God's mercy, let us be loved by Jesus, let us enable the power of God's love to transform our lives too; let us become agents of this mercy, channels through which God can water the earth, protect all creation, and make justice and peace flourish." (Urbi et Orbi.)

DIAMOND JUBILEE: This year our Parish Church will be 60 years old.

The foundation stone was laid on April 8th. 1956

The Parish Pastoral Council will be asking for suggestions as to how we celebrate this Jubilee.

BAPTISMS LAST WEEKEND:

Lucas David Knight, son of Alicia and Nick.



Alyce Rose Kilpatrick, daughter of Rebecca and Stuart.



Isabella Zambika , and Alessandra Rafaella Rodi, twin daughters of Maria and Sam Rodi.