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Sunday 3rd November 2024 | Edition 44/2024

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

MASS TIMES

Monday -

10am Funeral Mass Mildura

Tuesday

5.30pm Red Cliffs Cemetery 6pm Nichols Pt Cemetery

Wednesday

9.30am Mildura

Thursday

9:30am Merbein 9:30am Mildura 5:30pm Red Cliffs

Friday -

6pm Mildura

Saturday-

9:30am Mildura 10am Funeral NWF Chapel 6pm Mildura

Sunday - 32nd in Ordinary Time

8:30am Irymple 9am Mildura 10am Red Cliffs 10:30am Merbein 5pm Mildura

RECONCILIATION (MILDURA)

Tuesday 4:30pm — 5:15pm Friday 5pm — 5:45pm Saturday 10am — 11am

ADORATION & BENEDICTION
Tuesday 4pm — 5:15pm, Mildura

CHILDREN'S CATECHESIS Saturday 10am, Mildura

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Saturday 11:30am, Mildura



LET US PRAY

FOR THE SICK:

Mick Joslyn, David Adolph Mary Mazza, Mary Grivec Clive Simpson, Catherine Bell James & Karlee Bowring Teresa Camarotto Rodrico Rodriguez

Please obtain permission if you are submitting another's name. Intentions are printed for one month only, but can be renewed each month.

RECENT DEATHS:

Domenica Carfora Kevin Nolen

ANNIVERSARIES:

Mildura Saturday 6pm:

Noreen Armsden Joseph, Peter, Maria & Lucia Tran, Maria Nguyen and All souls

Mildura Sunday 9am:

Donato & Elizabetta De Angelis Maria-Michelle, Luigi & Incoranata Resta Antonio Cirillo Agapato Tac-An

Merbein:

Joyce Fraser Bill Fisher

Leo Camarotto

Red Cliffs:

Peter Vines

If you have booked a memorial Mass please speak to the priest prior to the Mass.

FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST

I love you Lord, my strength. Is todays response to the psalm. Every relationship needs strength to survive. Whether this being a friendship or a life long partner. We need to be able to adapt and grow with the relationship as it matures. There is no difference with our relationship with God. In loving God we are able to trust and rely on his Word and through the reading of the scriptures we can deepen this. Through the actions of the people in the community we are able to expand our love in the practical side as well as being present through the liturgy, prayer and works of charity.

This weekend we re-introduce the chalice allowing those who wish to receive the Blood of Christ to be able to.

We also have the books of remembrance in each of the churches encouraging us to write the names of family and friends who have died.

"May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace!"

God bless,

Fr Matthew

UPCOMING IN NOVEMBER

Bereavement Team MeetingWednesday 6th, 1pm Sacred Heart Parish Office

Knights of the Southern Cross Meeting Monday 11th, 7.30pm, KSC Clubrooms

Baptism Preparation Meeting Wednesday 27th, 6.30pm Monaghan Centre

ANOINTING MASSES



Thu 14 Nov: 5.30pm, Red Cliffs

Tue 19 Nov: 1pm Princes Court, Mildura

Thu 21 Nov: 9.30am, Merbein Tue 26 Nov: 1pm, BUPA, Mildura

Wed 27 Nov: 2pm, Mildura

FIRST RECONCILIATION (Gr. 2)



Celebration date:

Wednesday 27th November: at 5.30pm, 6pm or 6.30pm, Sacred Heart Church, Mildura

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our parish community:



- M Emilio Dichiera
- Mila Motlop
- Mark Reginald Allford

who are baptised this weekend at Sacred Heart and St Joseph's Church.

WEDDINGS



We congratulate:

Nathan Direen and Claudia Circosta who were married on Saturday at Sacred Heart Church.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURES

Tuesday 5th November, for the Melbourne Cup Holiday.

Friday 22nd November, Deacon Cay's ordination.

NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Cemetery Masses Saturday 2nd November (All Souls Day)

- 9.30am Murray Pines Cemetery
- 9.30am Merbein Cemetery

Tuesday 5th November (Melbourne Cup P/Hol)

- 5.30pm Red Cliffs Lawn Cemetery
- 6pm Nichols Point Cemetery

PARISH REMEMBRANCE MASS

The Sunraysia Parish will celebrate our yearly Remembrance Mass at Sacred Heart Church on Friday 8th November 2024 at 6pm, followed by a BBQ after Mass. For catering purposes please contact the Parish Office on 5021 2872.

ADVANCE NOTICE

Due to Deacon Cay's Ordination on Saturday 23rd November, there will be no 9.30am morning Mass. and the 6pm Mass will be held at **7pm**.

THANK YOU

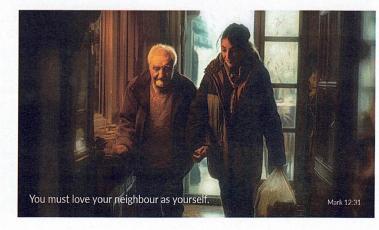
Mary Grivec would like to express her sincere gratitude and thankfulness for your prayers and to those who have helped and continue to assist her during her recent health issues.

ADVENT BOOKS

Copies are now available, for free, at each church entrances. The first day of Advent commences 1st December.

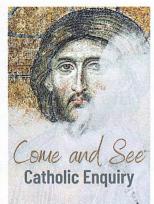
SACRED HEART FAMILY GROUP

The Family Group will lunch at the Gol Gol Hotel on Sunday 17th November at 12.0 clock. Please let Denise or Gerry know your intentions on 50211918 / 0429436722.



RCIA PROGRAM

Our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults program has commenced, culminating in adult Baptisms and Confirmation at Easter. Please recommend the program to interested parties, and invite them to contact the parish office.



COMMUNION FROM THE CHALICE

In the diocese of Ballarat, communities may reintroduce the option of communion from the chalice from 1st November this year.



Bishop Paul has prepared some reflections on the communion with Christ that we celebrate in the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine. Copies of this document are available in all our churches, which you are free to take home and read. Bishop Paul's article is also is also available online: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/reflections-on-communion-from-the-chalice/

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ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD OF CAY TRINH



All parishioners are invited to attend Deacon Cay Trinh's priestly ordination on Saturday 23rd November at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat.

Those unable to attend in person are invited to gather at the Monaghan Centre at 10:30, where

the ordination will be livestreamed.

You can also view the Mass at home, by visiting:

tinyurl.com/CayTrinh

PAPAL BLESSINGS

Please be aware that as of January 2025 Papal Blessings will only be available by ordering them directly from the Vatican website themselves.

People will be able to place their own orders via the below links:

www.elemosineria.va/papal-blessing-parchments/ www.elemosineria.va/parchments/

CLERGY JUBILARIANS MASS

Mass to celebrate the 2024 Clergy Jubilarians will be held on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 5.00pm. The 2024 clergy Jubilarians are: 50 years – Frs Eric Bryant, Paddy Mugavin & Michael O'Toole, 25 years – Fr Ed Moloney. All are welcome to attend.

STEWARDSHIP	
Priest Support (Presbytery) Cash (1st Collection); Tap & Go	\$2650.30
Mission, Admin & Maintenance Envelopes, EFT, DD and CC	\$2891.05
Mission, Admin & Maintenance Cash (2 nd Collection Loose Plate)	\$1292.55

This week's Counting Team: No. 3- P McDonald

Next week's Counting Team: No. 4—M Roper

^{*} Interest rates subject to change. View current rates on the CDF website.

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 17:2-4,47,51

(R.) I love you Lord, my strength.

- I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
 My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. (R.)
- Long life to the Lord, my rock!
 Praised be to the God that saves me.
 He has given great victories to his king and shown love for his anointed. (R.)

SECOND READING

Hebrews 7:23-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Christ remains for ever, and can never lose his priesthood

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 12:28-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

'You are not far from the kingdom of God'

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord you God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.



You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 145:7-10. R.v.2.

Response: Praise the Lord, my soul! Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28.

Gospel: Mark 12:38-44.

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr Matthew Thomas

Assistant Priest:

Fr John Corrigan

Visiting Priest: Fr Shaiju Mathew

Parish Secretary: Carmel Russo

WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH

Sts Anne and Joachim Parish of Sunraysia is committed to a safe and nurturing culture for all children, young people and vulnerable adults. The parish adheres to Victoria's 11 Child Safe standards. Our policies can be read in each church and on our website.

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Vince Pileggi