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Sts Anne and Joachim
CATHOLIC PARISH OF SUNRAYSIA

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Sunday 10th November 2024 | Edition 45/2024

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

MASS TIMES

Monday -
No Mass

Tuesday -
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 - 33rd 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:

ANNIVERSARIES:

Mildura Saturday 6pm:
Domenico Dichiera (30 day mass)
Joseph, Peter, Maria & Lucy Tran
Maria Nguyen & All souls

Mildura Sunday 5pm:

Helen Grogan

Merbein:

Sr Jane Shimmins, Ellen Walsh,
Adrian Prevedello,
Marion Sharman
Cosimo Dichiera
James McAllister

Red Cliffs:

Cecilia & Domenico D'Anna,
Vincenza Tassone,
Francesco Tassone
Maria-Antonia Tassone

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

FROM OUR PARISH PRIEST

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Is the response to the psalm. The words of the psalm reminds us that through challenging time and conflict the Lord is present to us.

In the Gospel we read out the woman who placed money into the treasury gave more than she needed to. Let us not ask too much of others if we are not willing to offer it ourselves. This could be for example time or money,

There is a lot happening this week. We have to go to Ballarat for Council of Priests meeting on Friday. We will also celebrate the Jubilarians for this year at a dinner on Thursday evening.

Then on Friday evening and Saturday Morning we have the Diocesan Assembly, where the Bishop has requested all priests and reps from each parish to be present.

Due to these event there are a number of mass changes this week.

The parish office will be closed on Friday 15th November.

God bless,

Fr Matthew

UPCOMING IN NOVEMBER

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

Baptism Preparation Meeting
Wednesday 27th, 6.30pm Monaghan Centre



ANOINTING MASSES

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

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

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

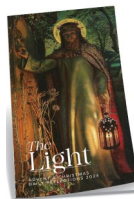
Friday 22nd November, Deacon Cay's ordination.

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.

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.

ROSTERS 2025

All rosters are now due for updates: Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and Money Counters. New comers are most welcomed to join a roster. For any changes please contact the Parish Office by 27th November 2022. New rosters will be emailed early December and for a hard copy please call into the Parish Office.



NOVEMBER MEMORIAL BOOKS

Throughout the month of November, the Church exhorts us to pray and fast for the faithful departed. Each church in our parish has a memorial book in which you are invited to inscribe the names of family and friends for whom you are offering prayers and sacrifices. In addition to the memorial books, envelopes for November Mass offerings are also available in each church.

What is a Mass offering, and how did this practice develop?

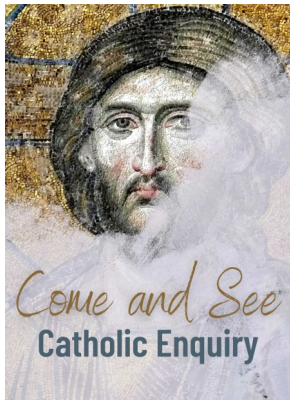
Although every Mass is offered for the benefit of the entire Church, as is clear from the prayers themselves ("*for our good and the good of all his holy Church*"), it has also been the custom since ancient times to offer Mass for particular intentions or needs of the faithful. The 2nd century Church father Tertullian urged wives to have Mass offered for their husbands on the anniversary of their death (*De monogamia*, 10), and St Augustine wrote that the "sacrifice of our redemption" was offered for his mother, St Monica, on the day of her burial (*Confessions* 9:12). At the same time, the faithful also participated more closely in the sacrifice by providing the bread and wine as well as other gifts for the support of the clergy and care of the needy. These offerings would often be presented to the priest during the liturgy.

These two practices gradually coalesced, so a gift would be presented to the priest before Mass with the request that the Mass be offered particularly for the donor's intention. By the 11th century the custom of giving the priest a monetary offering so that Mass would be offered for a specific intention became widespread. This practice provides a spiritual benefit to the faithful while contributing to the material support of the priest, since "*the ministers serving in the Temple get their food from the Temple, and those serving at the altar can claim their share from the altar itself.*" (1 Cor 9:13)



CONGRATULATIONS TO KASS, AARON, KIMBERLIN AND THEO

Last Friday, on the Solemnity of All Saints, the parish welcomed into the Catholic Church Cassandra Manning, Aaron Riley, Kimberlin Cordier and Theophilus Kapoor. In the words of the Solemn Intercessions of Good Friday, may God who has opened their ears and their hearts and unlocked for them the gates of divine mercy, deepen their faith and understanding and unite them with Christ Jesus our Lord.



Their reception into the Church is the culmination of an extended period of study and discernment. A new program has commenced, which has already enrolled six catechumens. If you know of anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic – or at least learning more about our

faith – please recommend the RCIA program to them, and invite them to contact the parish office.

ACCOMMODATION

Angelica from St Arnaud is looking for accommodation for her and her partner for two years. She is hoping to commence her full time job at the end of November 2024. If you can help please contact Angelica on 0438 475 679.

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.

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

PRAYING WITH POPE FRANCIS

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at www.thepopevideo.org.

November: For those who have lost a child. Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation. Lord, hear us.

STEWARDSHIP

Priest Support (Presbytery) Cash (1 st Collection); Tap & Go	\$2427.90
Mission, Admin & Maintenance Envelopes, EFT, DD and CC	\$2247.00
Mission, Admin & Maintenance Cash (2 nd Collection Loose Plate)	\$ 868.30
This week's Counting Team: No. 4– M Roper	
Next week's Counting Team: No. 5–H Kay	

FIRST READING

1 Kings 17:10-16

A reading from the first book of the Kings

Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives', she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel:

"Jar of meal shall not be spent,
jug of oil shall not be emptied,
before the day when the Lord sends
rain on the face of the earth."

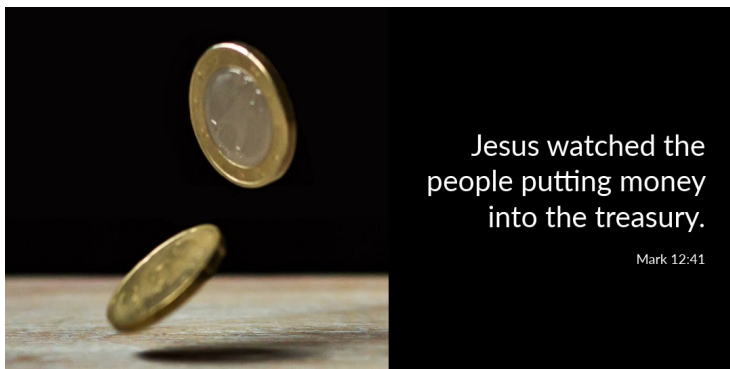
The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

RESPONSORIAL

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

(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith forever who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord who sets prisoners free. (R.)
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord who protects the stranger. (R.)
3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. (R.)



SECOND READING

Hebrews 9:24-28

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 12:41-44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1

Response: Keep me safe, O God:
you are my hope.

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

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