

Sunraysia Catholic Communities



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Sacred Heart
Mildura

Our Lady of Lourdes
Werrimull

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
Merbein

St. Francis Xavier
Trymple

St. Joseph's
Red Cliffs

*The Sunraysia Catholic Communities are committed to ensure the safety of all children and vulnerable people in our care.
Child Safety Officers:- Mildura—Peter Issanchon, Merbein—Kevin Aston, Red Cliffs—Bernadette Gardner*

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29th & 30th May 2021

Message from our Parish Priest

The Parish Office will be closed from midnight Thursday 27th May until Friday 4th June. If you need to speak to a priest please call the mobile phone: **0417 862 082**.

A number of parishioners have been having difficulty signing in with the new QR Codes please make sure you have the Victorian State Government App (Service Victoria—and follow the links)

Let us pray for each other over this next week and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

God bless!
Fr Matthew

RECENT DEATHS

Felix Tac-an (Philippines)

ANNIVERSARIES

Demetrio Zema, Sebastiano Zema

Mildura

Saturday 6pm:

Sunday 9am:

Friday 6pm: Domenico Cavallaro, Jennifer Valentine (pending COVID restrictions)

Red Cliffs

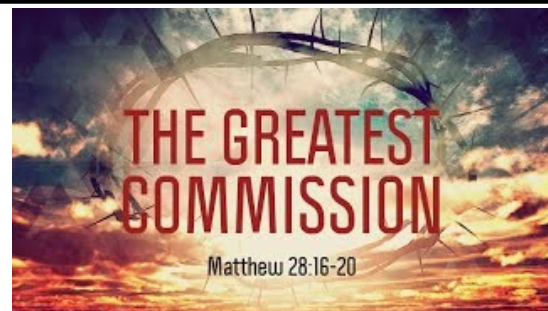
Merbein

Anniversaries:

(Immediate family members of the deceased are permitted to arrange anniversary Masses.)

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.

**BULLETINS AVAILABLE OUTSIDE ALL
MAIN CHURCH DOORS**



Update on COVID Restrictions as of Friday 28th May 2021

- From midnight Thursday 27th May all Masses will be cancelled until midnight Thursday 3rd June
- No weddings or Baptisms.
- Funerals - no more than 10 people plus those necessary to conduct the funeral
- All meetings have been cancelled until further notice.
- Update available next weekend's bulletin.

Be **INFORMED**
Be **PREPARED**
Be **SMART**
Be **SAFE**

Be **READY** to fight
#COVID19

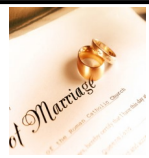
For the latest health advice, go to:
www.who.int/COVID-19



LOCAL NEWS

Weddings

We congratulate **Vincent Mammone and Courtney Nesci** who were married last week.



Trading Tables—Mildura & Red Cliffs

Trading Tables were originally designed for the purposes of raising funds for The Shared Table and other community projects. This was formed with the idea that if anyone had extra produce: fruit, vegetables, eggs, flowers, plants or preserves-jams chutney, olives, etc that they donate them to the Parish. Please no items like electrical items, candle holders, bric n brac etc as we do not have the room to store these once the stall has closed.

Important Dates for May 2021

Reminder!

Tuesday 8 June: Sacred Heart Parish Finance meeting 7.30am—Parish Office

Tuesday 8 June: Sacred Heart Parish Council meeting Monaghan Centre after 6pm Mass.

Sunday 13th June: Red Cliffs Parish Council meeting after 10am Mass.

Monday 14th June: KSC meeting 7.30pm in the KSC Clubrooms.

Thursday 17th June: Regis Ontario Aged Care Service 2pm.

Thursday 17th June: St Anthony Committee meeting KSC Clubrooms 7.30pm

Sunday 20th June: OLSH Parish Council after 10.30am Mass.

Sunday 20th June: Feast of St Anthony, 5pm

Wednesday 23rd June: Baptism Preparation Evening, Monaghan Centre 7.30pm

Our Parish Schools

Sacred Heart Mildura Principal: Mark Gibson 5023 1204

St Paul's Mildura Principal: Vince Muscatello 5023 4567

OLSH Merbein Principal: Narelle Gallagher 5025 2258

St. Joseph's Red Cliffs Principal: Naomi Kennedy 5024 1654

St. Joseph's Secondary College Mildura

Principal: Marg Blythman 5018 8000

Weekly Prayer Opportunities

Sacred Heart Mildura

Scripture Group: Thursday 3:00pm – Monaghan Centre

Devotions and Exposition: Friday 4:00pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 10:00am—10:30am

Christian Meditation: Sat 11:30 am Church

Advance Notice

The Italian Community will be celebrating the annual Feast of St Anthony Mass on Sunday 20th June at **5pm**. Tickets for the raffle are available at \$2.00 each.

Sausage sizzle to follow after Mass. All welcome.



Our Greatest Opportunity

Matthew 28:16-20

Missionary of Charity Sisters

We are pleased to announce the recommencement of the Catechist Program for our younger parishioners.

This group is designed for children aged 3 and above. Sessions will commence on Saturday 15th May from 10am—11am, in the Monaghan Centre at the conclusion of the 9.30am Mass. All welcome.

Fr Shaiju will shortly be commencing a program for the Youth. Further details in next weekend's bulletin.

CATECHISM

Stewardship 2021

Making Connections Within Our Community

If any parishioner has not

completed a **Parish Connection Card**, we invite you to

complete one today and return to the parish office or place on the collection plate during the next two weeks

This parish process is for **ALL parishioners – old & new**, those who have been coming here for years and those of whom are relatively new to our parish community. This simple process allows the parish leadership to design and plan meaningful ways to be relevant as 'Church' and as a people of welcome. It also assists the Parish Office to update Parishioner records.

Our aim is that **all parishioners** complete a Connection Card this year.

To obtain and complete your Card could you **please see** one of the Supervisors at the Church Entrance after Mass, who will be happy to assist you.

Remember if you need to be out and about abide by the COVID Staying Safe Rules

- Use the hand sanitizer
- Keep your distance
- Wear a face mask
- Use the QR Code
- If you are feeling unwell please stay home and get tested

LOCAL NEWS

WEEKDAY MASSES

Changes to Weekday Mass times will be listed below

MILDURA RED CLIFFS MERBEIN

MONDAY

TUESDAY

NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK DUE TO COVID

WEDNESDAY

LOCKDOWN

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

6PM (PENDING COVID RESTRICTIONS)

SATURDAY

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 (5TH SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH)

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.

Mildura: Helen Grogan, Nancy Panuccio

Merbein:

Red Cliffs: Barry Crosbie

SUNRAYSA CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES FINANCE

Last week's collections	Mildura	Merbein	Red Cliffs
1 st Collection (supporting Priests & Presbytery)	\$2064.00	\$ 59.85	\$188.00
2 nd Collection (includes all EFT, DD & CC)	\$ 762.00	\$100.00	\$130.00
Loose Plate	\$1000.00	\$	\$ 62.90

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and applications forms are available from <https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>. Closing date July 30, 2021.

ROSTERS ALL CHURCHES

This weekend — 29th & 30th May 2021

Werrimull 5th Sunday of each month 11am

Mildura

Readers: Saturday 6pm:
Sunday 9am:
Sunday 5pm:

Eucharistic Ministers: 2

Saturday 6pm:
Sunday 9am:
Sunday 5pm:

Offertory Procession:

Saturday 6pm:
Sunday 9am:
Sunday 5pm:

Music: Sat 6pm:
Sun 9am:
Sun 5pm:

Counting Team: Team 2

Irymple

Reader:

Merbein

Reader:

Red Cliffs

Readers:

Altar Servers:

Music:

Offertory Procession:

Counting Team:

Eucharistic Minister x 1:

Church Cleaning:

Flowers:

CANCELLED DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS

Next weekend - 5th & 6th June 2021

Werrimull 5th Sunday of each month 11am

Mildura

Readers: Saturday 6pm: G Huxtable
Sunday 9am: G Johnston
Sunday 5pm: I Sullivan

Eucharistic Ministers: 2

Saturday 6pm: A Greville, A Naray
Sunday 9am: S Opie, P Opie
Sunday 5pm: M Zema, J Zema

Offertory Procession:

Saturday 6pm:
Sunday 9am: L & C Welsh
Sunday 5pm:

Music: Sat 6pm: M Guthrie – All welcome
Sun 9am: Italian Choir, M Sullivan
Sun 5pm: S Faight, L Duy, K Mapapalangi

Counting Team: Team 3 P McDonald

Irymple

Reader: M Hill

Merbein

Reader:

Red Cliffs

Readers: T Hawkes, J Lewis

Altar Servers: I Manno, J Manno, E Manno

Music: Guitar—T Lewis

Offertory Procession: M Bell

Counting Team: L Grivec, A Njegovan, G Tassone

Eucharistic Minister x 1: D Eagle

Church Cleaning: Cleaner

Flowers: Volunteer

Next Weekends Readings: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ – 5th & 6th June 2021

1st Reading: Exodus 24:3-8

Responsorial: PS 115:12-13, 15-18

Response: I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 9:11-15

Gospel: Mark 14:12-16, 22-26



First Reading

Dt 4:32-34. 39-40

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors – all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt?

'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: The Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 32:4-6. 9. 18-20. 22. R. v.12

(R.) *Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.*

1. The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. (R.)
2. With his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars. He spoke; and they came to be. He commanded; they sprang into being. (R.)
3. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R.)
4. Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

Second Reading

Rom 8:14-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.



Gospel Acclamation

See Rv 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mt 28:16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

We humans are created into the image of God. If our idea of God is wrong then we can imagine ourselves in a way which is dangerously de-humanising.

If we think of God as solitary Being then we might imagine that the best way of being human is to be solitary, self-sufficient, totally in-dependent of others. However, Jesus Christ revealed a different way for the eyes of faith to see God.

He had a sense of the most intimate communion with 'Abba', Father, and he had such a close relationship with the Holy Spirit that his very breathing on his disciples imparted this Breath of God upon them. The early Church was forced to conclude that Being and Relationship were both fundamentally primordial and true of the Tri-une God, or the Trinity for short.

Now, if we are created into *this* image of God, then our very existence needs to be relational for us to be fully human in this life and the next. To be totally self-absorbed is to consign oneself to a Hellish existence. To be open to communion with God, other human beings and the whole of creation is to enjoy a Heavenly existence.

We can take a moment to pray to thank God for this revelation not granted to, or at least not believed by, other great world religions. We thank Jesus Christ for satisfying our yearning to know the truth about our Creator, and helping us to understand what it is to be fully human. May we recall this every time we dip our fingers in the holy water font on entering a church, remembering our baptism: 'In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.'

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QR Codes

Manual sign in sheets is now no longer allowed. If you don't have a phone to register this way all churches have a Tablet to help with registering. **Please arrive at least 10 minutes early to register this way.**