



SACRED HEART PARISH, MILDURA

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Fr Tom Brophy, Fr John Monaghan, Mary Gobbo,

Helen Findlay, Jen Ditchfield, Rebecca Hogan

Fr. Frank Monaghan P.E.

Easter Mass Times: Easter Vigil Saturday 7.00pm
Sunday 8.00am, 10.00am, 5.00pm and Irymple 8.30am.

PASSION SUNDAY- APRIL 1, 2007 YEAR C

THIS WEEK:

First Reading: Isa. 50:4-7

Ps 21 My God, My God, why have you abandoned me?

Second Reading: Phil. 2:6-11

Gospel: Luke 22:14-23:56



NEXT WEEK: April 8, Easter Sunday

First Reading: Acts 10:34,37-43

Ps 117 This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad ~ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Second Reading: Col 3:1-4

Gospel: Jn. 20: 1-9

Recent Deaths

Brian Kelleher, Bernie Moylan (Dandenong)

Anniversaries

Elvie McGlynn 6.00 p.m. Sat
Leo Timpano 5.00 p.m. Sun
Chris Mammone "
Anthony Donnellan, Pope John Paul,
Fr. Brian Brophy & Fr. Tom Linane,
Mary Byrnes, Molly Callahan,

Commemorations

Friends of the Suffering Souls 6.00 p.m. Sat

Note to Families requesting special Masses:

Please let the celebrant know you are present before Mass.

Weekly Prayer Opportunities

Monday Prayer Group: 2-4 p.m.

Rosary: Monday 6.00 p.m.*

Prayer of the Church: Tues/Wed/Fri. 8.40 a.m.

Meditation: Thursday 7 a.m. Church prayer room

Charismatic Prayer Group: Tues. 7.30 p.m.

Scripture Readings: Thur 2/177 12th Street 10.30 a.m

Devotional Prayer and Exposition: Fri 3.00 p.m.

*N.B. Stations of the Cross every Monday night at 6.00 p.m. before Rosary.

We pray for the sick

Pat & Dennis Donnellan, John Burton (Bundaberg),
Clinton Salt, Robyn Moore (Betty Moore's
daughter-in-law), Loretta Hickey,
Shaun O'Toole (grand-nephew of Fay Turner),
Les & Michelle Kadziela,
Roy & Val Nicholls

Weekday Mass Times

If there is a Funeral Mass the advertised Mass will be cancelled

Mon: Ukranian Mass – All Welcome 11.00 a.m.
Tues: 7.00 p.m.
Wed: 9.10 a.m.
Thu: Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00 p.m.
Good Friday - Way of the Cross 10.30 a.m.
Ceremonies 3.00 p.m.
Sat: Easter Vigil Mass 7.00 p.m.

What's on this Week

BYZANTINE MASS 11.00am Monday
celebrated by Ukranian Catholic priest Fr. Taras
from Adelaide. All are welcome.

CHOIR PRACTICE FOR VIGIL MASS

will be held in the church on Tuesday, April 3,
from 5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. For more information
contact Meg Sullivan on 5023 5250.

MASS OF THE OILS: MONDAY April 2, 2007

The Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St. Patrick's
Cathedral, Ballarat at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, April 2,
2007. This Mass is a celebration of the whole Church
of the Diocese of Ballarat. We celebrate the unity and
ministry of the ordained priests in the midst of the
entire priestly people of God of the Diocese. This
Mass also has special significance for those who will
use the blessed oils in 2007, the ordained, the sick,
those to be baptised and confirmed. All members of
the Diocese are invited to this celebration which truly
expresses the unity of the Diocesan Church.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday April 3 - 6.30 - 7.00 p.m. & 7.30 - 8.00 p.m.
Wednesday April 4 - 9.40 - 10.15 a.m.

What's coming up

EASTER TUESDAY – APRIL 10

Regis Nursing Home – 2pm Anointing Mass

Flores De Mayo – Meeting of all interested

Filipino parishioners to plan Flores de Mayo in the Hillman Room at 7.30 p.m.

Other Notices

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy does not take place during the school holidays, therefore there will be no Children's Liturgy at the Saturday evening Mass until April 21. Colouring and activity sheets will still be available however at each of the Church entrances.

RCIA

Parishioners are asked to continue to pray for Elizabeth Powell as she prepares for reception into the Church at Easter.

CONFIRMATION IN SACRED HEART PARISH

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in Sacred Heart Catholic Parish on the last weekend in May and the first weekend in June. Parents of intending candidates for Confirmation in our Parish must attend one of the two Parent Information Nights on either the 18th or the 19th of April at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start in Sacred Heart Church. Please contact Jen Ditchfield or the Parish office on 5021 2872 to obtain a registration form and letter.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2008 – WYD08



It is an exciting time for the Parish as we prepare for WYD next year, and for *The Journey of the Cross* in October. Mildura and Merbein will be the first Victorian towns to receive the Cross as it travels the world in preparation for WYD in Sydney next year. The WYD committee is currently preparing for the Cross and discussing how the Cross will spend its time in the Sunraysia community. The next meeting for the WYD committee is April 24 2007 in the Hillman Room and everyone interested in youth in our parish is invited.

YOUTH MASS

The Parish Pastoral Team has been discussing the need for a Mass which caters for the youth in our Parish, especially as we move closer to WYD. We have decided to celebrate a Youth Mass at 5pm on the last Sunday of each month. We propose that the first Youth Mass takes place on May 27. We invite any person interested in being involved in a Youth Mass to come to the WYD meeting on April 24 in the Hillman Room. Involvement can be in any number of ways – Liturgy, music,

prayer, social event after Mass etc. If you would like to have your say please come to the meeting and share your ideas with others interested in the lives of youth in our Parish.

NOTES FROM THE SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE *LIVING SIMPLY*

Forty years after the publication of POPULORUM PROGRESSIO, the **Live Simply** project calls us to re-examine our lifestyles, both individually and as a Community. It is a challenge to reflect on our lifestyles and to choose to live simply, sustainably and in solidarity with the poor. It is about identifying what we need rather than grasping for more- sharing rather than hoarding. By living simply, sustainably and in solidarity with the poor, we can help create a world in which human dignity is respected and everyone can reach his or her full potential. This would be true progress indeed, worth more than economic growth alone.

For more information: www.livesimply.org.uk

PARISH COUNCIL

Thanks to all parishioners who took part in the meeting re the Parish Council. Your presence, ideas and support helped in the formulation of the report given to us by Luke Guthrie last week. Our gratitude is extended to Luke for his presence, expertise and humour as we took the step to re-establish the Parish Council.

We now need to nominate parishioners to serve on the Parish Council. Over the next few weeks please consider who could stand. Nomination forms will be available over the next few weeks for the eight positions to be elected from the parish.

To assist you with this task you might consider the following:

Steer clear of council candidates who can't change their minds. All members should approach council service with an open mind and a willingness to serve. No member should bring a mindset that interferes with the working of the council. Working on a council means learning as you go, so a certain amount of humility is in order. Those convinced that they have nothing to learn are likely to have difficulty relating to the work of the council and may cause difficulties for other council members.

All good planning processes are grounded in trust. Trust enables participants to be open and honest with one another. Without trust, participants will be nice and polite, but they will say only what they think those in power want to hear. People are masters of reading signals and making leaders feel good. Unless they trust, they do not always express their convictions honestly.

ROSTERS

In preparation for Holy Week and Easter, rosters for Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, foot washing, altar servers, etc. have been placed at the back of the church. If you are able to help in any way during this special time, please put your name on the rosters.

PALMS AUSTRALIA is interested in meeting Teachers, Doctors, Nurses and other professional, technical and trades people willing to share their skills for 1 – 3 years in Asia, Africa or the Pacific. Come to a Palms Information Session at: St. Francis' Pastoral Centre, 326 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne on **Saturday April 21 at 2.00 p.m. OR Sunday, April 22 at 2.00 p.m.** For more information contact Brendan Joyce on 02 9642 0558 or brendan@palms.org.au

POPE JOHN PAUL II – a two-part dramatisation of the life of the Pope, will be screened at **10.30 p.m. Sunday, April 1 and Sunday, April 8** on SBS television.

PROJECT Compassion

Palm Sunday leads us into the final days of Lent where we are invited to walk intimately with Jesus to his passion and death. A particular focus of Luke's gospel is Jesus' mission of love to the broken hearted and the sinful. In today's gospel, this theme culminates in Jesus' giving of himself in his final meal with the disciples and through his death on Calvary. The disciples are entrusted with the mission to do as Jesus has done.

At Easter we will celebrate Christ's victory over death through his resurrection. God, the faithful one, has raised Jesus to new life and in him the gift of salvation is given to all humanity! Caritas Australia works in collaboration with Centacare Wilcannia-Forbes, to promote leadership and the creation of community roles in indigenous communities. These opportunities rebuild shattered self-esteem and confidence and provide basic budgeting skills and new living structures for indigenous people. This is the presence of the resurrection in our midst! As Lent draws to a close, we are challenged to give generously to Project Compassion.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION 2007

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land takes place on Good Friday. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and

medical centres throughout the Holy Land rely very much on assistance from the Good Friday collection. The collection is also used to maintain 74 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Last year, Australian Catholics donated over \$930,000 to this cause. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land once again on this Good Friday. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Please also pray that peace and harmony will become a reality in the birthplace of Jesus, the "Prince of Peace".

WORKING WITH CHILDREN

Priests, Parish Leaders, Pastoral Workers, School Principals and other school staff gathered this week in Robinvale, Ballarat and Warrnambool to receive information about the requirements arising from the Working with Children Act (2005). The Act requires that anyone who works or volunteers in connection with certain types of "child-related work" pass a Working with Children check. Participants at the Diocesan Information Days heard speakers from the Department of Justice and the Melbourne Archdiocese and were given the Interim Diocesan protocol. The days were very helpful and more information will continue to be supplied regarding the issue.

Last Week's Collection

<u>Weekend March 25</u>	
<u>Priests' Support</u>	\$1,402.00
<u>Parish Support</u>	
Direct Debit and Credit Cards:	577.53
Envelopes	2,272.50
Loose Plate	362.15
Total:	\$3,212.18
Project Compassion	\$367.40
Appeal to date	\$1,458.30

YEAR 1 PLANNED GIVING 2006-7	
First Quarter	29.10.06 – 21.01.07
Second Quarter	28.01.07 – 22.04.07
Third Quarter	29.04.07 - 22.07.07
Fourth Quarter	29.07.07 – 21.10.07

Our Parish Blessing
May the Lord, Mighty God,
Bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace,
Courage in every endeavour.
Lift up your eyes and see Gods face
And Gods grace forever.
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Bless and keep you forever.

W/end Apr 8 Easter Sunday	7.00 p.m.	8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.	5.00 p.m.
Readers		J. O'Donnell	M. Speed	M. Ransome
Eucharistic Ministers	M. Roper S. Tisler K. Girke S. Girke L. Roden J. De Jong H. De Jong	S. Cyril E. Frauenfelder L. Belej T. Panuccio D. Brown P. O'Donnell M. Gobbo	N. Lewis N. Pardo S. Hermans R. Barbary I. Barbary T. McNamara R. Byra M. Grivec	W. Finn T. Finn P. Cox M. Ransome F. Virgona
Music	M. Sullivan & Choir Group		M. Guthrie Members of all choirs & all those interested to join in.	
Counting Team	Team 4 – Captain Kevin Schultz – 5023 8778			

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Holy Week/Easter Ceremonies in Sunraysia Catholic Churches

Palm Sunday Vigil Mass: Sat. March 31: 6.00 p.m. Mildura, Wentworth

Palm Sunday Mass: Sun. April 1:
8.00 a.m. Dareton & Mildura
8.30 a.m. Irymple
10.00 a.m. Buronga & Mildura
10.30 a.m. Red Cliffs & Merbein
5.00 p.m. Mildura & Werrimull

Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper: April 5:
7.00 p.m. Mildura & Wentworth
7.30 p.m. Red Cliffs

Good Friday Liturgy: April 6:
10.30 a.m. Way of the Cross – Mildura
3.00 p.m. Ceremonies - Dareton, Merbein, Mildura & Red Cliffs

Easter Vigil Mass: Sat. April 7:
7.00 p.m. Wentworth
6.30 p.m. Red Cliffs
7.00 p.m. Mildura

Easter Sunday Mass: April 8:
8.00 a.m. Dareton & Mildura
8.30 a.m. Irymple & Werrimull
10.00 a.m. Buronga & Mildura
10.30 a.m. Merbein & Red Cliffs
5.00 p.m. Mildura