



# SACRED HEART PARISH, MILDURA

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## PARISH PASTORAL TEAM:

Fr Tom Brophy, Fr John Monaghan, Mary Gobbo,

Helen Findlay, Jen Ditchfield, Rebecca Hogan

Fr. Frank Monaghan P.E.

Weekend Mass Times: Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 8.00 am, 10.00 am, 5.00 pm and Irymple 8.30 am  
Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 11.00 am or by appointment

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 29, 2007 YEAR C

### THIS WEEK:

First Reading: Acts 13:14,43-52

Ps 99 **We are his people,  
the sheep of his flock Alleluia!**

Second Reading: Apoc 7:9,14-17

Gospel: John 10:27-30



### NEXT WEEK: May 6, 2007

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27

Ps 144 **I will praise your name for ever, my king  
and my God OR Alleluia!**

Second Reading: Apoc. 21:1-5

Gospel: John 13:31-35

### Recent Deaths

Michael Murphy

### Anniversaries

Jim Jilbert 8.00 a.m. Sun

Maximino Tocle “

Nida De Leon “

Rocco Papalia 5.00 p.m. Sun

Joe Mandica “

Alfredo Scarfo “

Frank Gattuso “

Ilario De Blasio “

Domenica Gattuso (30 days) “

Alice Tomlinson, Fr. Thomas Martin Brophy, Vin Brown

### Commemorations

Ljubo Zvonar 5.40 p.m. Fri

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 12<sup>th</sup> Street 10.30 a.m.

Devotional Prayer and Exposition: Fri 3.00 p.m.

### We pray for the sick

Pat & Dennis Donnellan, Michael Murphy,

Shaun O’Toole (grand-nephew of Fay Turner),

Roy & Val Nicholls, Maria Florio, Leonie Prentice,

Emily Wells

### This week we thank:

**Fr. Silito and our Tongan community**

### Weekday Mass Times

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

Tue: Anointing Mass 2.00 p.m.

Wed: 9.10 a.m.

Thu: 9.30 a.m.

Fri: 5.40 p.m.

Sat: 10.00 a.m.

### Weddings

Matthew DeAngelo & Danielle Argiro

### Welcome

We warmly welcome to our parish this weekend, Fr. Silito Tupou, the Chaplain to the Tongan Catholic community in Australia. It is great he is able to lead our celebrations for St. Peter Chanel and to assist our Tongan parishioners in their faith journey. Please take the opportunity to meet him and make him feel welcome. He might just come again!

### What’s on this Week

#### BAPTISM PREPARATION

The next meeting for Baptism Preparation will take place on **Wednesday, May 2 at 7.30 p.m.** in the Hillman Room.

#### PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP - TODAY

Please note change of venue.

Family Group gathering today, **Sunday, April 29,** will be a BBQ lunch at 12.30pm at Kevin &

Raylee Schultz's home, 12 Washington Drive. Please bring a salad and drinks. Meat will be supplied and we will pay a small amount each to cover the cost.

For further information please ring Raylee on 50238778 or Jean on 50237561. Please let us know numbers. New members welcome.

### **What's coming up**

#### **CONFIRMATION**

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in the Mildura parish over the weekends of **May 26/27 and June 2/3**. Those being confirmed are spending the next four weeks in preparation with their families, friends and the parish.

Parishioners are asked to pray each week for all who are involved. Parishioners are invited to personalise this prayer by taking home a red prayer card from the box in the church entrance, and to pray especially for the person named on the card. This is an exciting time for those children preparing for the Sacrament and for their families.

#### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

Thank you to the people who have kindly donated pencils to our children's liturgy programme. Children's liturgy will be held at the 6.00 p.m. Saturday night Mass (except April 28) and the 10.00 a.m. Sunday Mass for the next four weeks.

#### **YOUTH MASS**

The first Youth Mass will be celebrated on May 27 at 5pm. A small team of enthusiastic young people are preparing the Mass and we thank them for their time and effort. The Knights of the Southern Cross have kindly offered to organise a sausage sizzle for everyone after mass. If you are interested in helping or participating in any way please contact the Parish Office.

#### **FLORES DE MAYO**



Next Sunday we recognise yet another cultural tradition in our parish as we join our Filipino community in celebrating FLORES DE MAYO. This annual feast will be celebrated during 10.00 a.m. Mass when the children will re-enact the story of the finding of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem by St. Helena, the mother of the emperor Constantine, and the crowning of the Our Lady statue. Following Mass parishioners are asked to join our Filipino parishioners for refreshments and samples of Filipino cuisine in the Church gardens. Let us ensure everyone can feel at home in our parish by supporting one another as we thank God for the rich and varied cultures, traditions and devotions in our parish. We shall see you there.

#### **VISITORS FROM INDIA**

Next weekend, May 5 & 6, two of Sister Stella's nuns will be visiting the Parish. Sister Piusha, who visited us in 2002, will be accompanied by Sister Merci who is making her first visit. Sister Piusha will be renewing acquaintances and reporting on the continuing work in their area – education of villagers, especially the women, reconstruction work still in progress following the Tsunami of 2004, which struck just after Sister Stella returned after visiting us, and the development of self-help groups in the villages. The Sisters will speak at all Masses next weekend.

**WALNUT CENTRAL BCC** will meet at Rosemary Byrnes' home, 8 Bingarra Court, Mildura, on **Sunday, May 6 at 12.30 p.m.** Please bring finger food and drink.

Everyone welcome, including children.

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S SOCIAL GROUP**

A 3-course Lunch and Crazy Whist afternoon is planned for **Monday, June 18 starting 12 noon** at St. Joseph's College Stadium – Cost \$12.00. For more information and to indicate that you will be present, please contact Marie Howden on 5023 0522 or Elaine Corponi on 5023 2066.

#### **Other Notices**

##### **SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Just a reminder for the Special Ministers, when on duty, to remain after Mass to clean the vessels in preparation for the next Mass. This assistance will be greatly appreciated.**

**PARISH BULLETIN** – Please note that all notices for the weekly Bulletin are to be given in to the Parish Office by 5.00 p.m. Wednesdays.

**PARISH LIBRARY** – Don't forget the Parish Library in the Hillman Room for everyone to use. Books are being added to the library all the time so please come in and browse!



##### **PARISH COUNCIL**

A Parish Pastoral Council is the coordinating and unifying structure of a Parish Community. Its members gather together the thoughts and ideas of the community, work them together until some general agreement has been reached, and then translate this consensus into Parish goals. Finally, it sees that the Parish Community acts upon these goals.

The Parish Pastoral Council is not meant to be either a dictatorship, insensitive to the needs and concerns of the people, or a strictly democratic body, deciding by a plurality of one vote the major direction of a Parish. Nor is its model to be the efficient business organization. Rather, it is to

be sensitive to the movement of the Spirit among God's people, to work for a unified vision or general agreement among its members, and to help the whole Parish to meet the challenge of being a Church in the modern world. Parish Pastoral Councils serve in an advisory capacity to the Priest and are to utilize the many and varied gifts of the Laity in service to the Church as it continues to carry out the Mission of Christ. Parish Pastoral Councils are not "task oriented" nor are they to be considered as "task oriented". They are the Visionaries of the Parish.

**Nomination slips for Parish Council are available at all the Church entrances. The deadline for nominations is Monday April 30. If you are interested in our parish and the future of our parish please consider being nominated. The parish council will provide a forum and opportunity for parishioners to voice their ideas and shape our parish for the future.**

### Last Week's Collection

#### Weekend April 22

<b>Priests' Support</b>	<b>\$1,714.00</b>
<b>Parish Support</b>	
Direct Debit and Credit Cards:	577.53
Envelopes	2,137.10
Loose Plate	490.70
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$3,205.33</b>
<b>Project Compassion</b>	<b>\$205.95</b>
<b>Appeal to date</b>	<b>\$5,825.00</b>

### Book on Mercy pioneer launched



Opposition leader Kevin Rudd's star recruit and former journalist, Maxine McKew, has launched a new book on Elizabeth McQuoin, the pioneering Mercy nun who helped found a congregation in Sydney.

Ms McKew, a former Mercy student from All Hallows School, Brisbane, launched the book shortly after returning from a factory visit with Mr Rudd on Tuesday.

The book by former school principal Sr Maureen McGuirk, titled *Elizabeth McQuoin: Singing to the end of the Service*, outlines the story of London-born Sr McQuoin who joined the Sisters of Mercy in Liverpool, England, before leading a small group of women to make a foundation in Sydney in 1865.

According to a Mercy Sisters statement, Sr McQuoin dedicated herself to serve in the spirit of foundress Catherine McAuley.

The statement says that in doing so, Sr McQuoin "joined the ranks of pioneer women of Australia whose contribution to the history of this country is inestimable and whose ability to help make the difference required to turn Australia from a dumping ground to a country with a remarkable future cannot be measured.

"She bequeathed a rich legacy in the name of a compassionate God to future generations of Australians."

"Elizabeth McQuoin should be celebrated as one of the more significant 19th century pioneers," says Ms McKew, who is contesting Prime Minister John Howard's seat of Bennelong at the next Federal election.

"To those of us who feel as I do that too often the story of feisty female achievers is neglected in our national story-telling, then Maureen's history gives us a long overdue correction."

### Reflection

Each celebration of the Eucharist begins with the sign of the cross in the name of the Blessed Trinity. In these days of Eastertide we await the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday. The Holy Spirit is adored and glorified with the Father and the Son. It is from Jesus that the Church has learnt the name of the Holy Spirit and it is in this name as well as that of the Father and the Son that each new child of the Church is baptised. The word 'spirit' translates a Hebrew word which primarily means breath, air, wind. Jesus himself used the image of the wind to suggest the power, freedom and newness of the one who is the breath of God, the Holy Spirit. It is this Spirit which is given to each of us at our baptism and which remains with us throughout our life.

**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.  
 May the Lord, Mighty God,  
 Bless and keep you forever.

<b>W/end May 5/6</b>	<b>6.00 p.m.</b>	<b>8.00 a.m.</b>	<b>10.00 a.m.</b>	<b>5.00 p.m.</b>
<b>Readers</b>	G. Huxtable	P. O'Donnell	C/P McErvale	A. Englefield
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	M. Joseph P. Kelleher M. Roper S. Tisler L. Roden J. De Jong H. De Jong	S. Visona E. Panetta D. Pemberton L. Welsh M. Gobbo E. Frauenfelder	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 R. Antony
<b>Music</b>	N. Armsden Filipino Choir		Italian Choir	G. & F. Lane
<b>Counting Team</b>	Team 8 – Captain Trevor Aust – 5023 6597			

## NOMINATION FORM TO PARISH COUNCIL

I, .....wish to nominate the following parishioner as a member of the Sacred Heart Parish Council:

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Signature of person nominating: .....

I, ..... second the above nomination.

Signature: ..... (Seconder)

I, ..... accept the nomination to the Parish Council.

Signature: ..... Phone No.....