



SACRED HEART PARISH, MILDURA

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PARISH PASTORAL TEAM:

Fr Tom Brophy, Fr John Monaghan,
Gladys Abriani, 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

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JULY 29TH, 2007 YEAR C

THIS WEEK 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Gen 18: 20-32

Ps 137:1-6.6-8

Lord on the day I called for help, you answered me.

Second Reading: Col 2: 12-14

Gospel: Lk 11:1-13



NEXT WEEK: Aug 5th

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23

Ps 89: 3-6. 12-14. 7

In every age, O Lord you have been our refuge.

Second Reading: Col 3:1-5. 9-11

Gospel: Lk 12: 3-21

Recent Deaths

Sr Bridgie Lourey rsm. (Geelong)
Peter Monaghan (Tempy, br. of Dave)

Anniversaries

Pasquale Vartulli, Gordon Curran,
Pat Curran, Nonato Ditoro, June Lucas,
Maria Grazia Mammone, Frank Hynam,
Saverio Rocca, Grace Roache, deceased members of
Healy Family, Bob Brown

Note to Families requesting special Masses:

Please let the celebrant know you are present before Mass.

COMMEMORATIONS

Frank Baric, Rafaella Mammone, Mathew Wilson,
Pasquale D'Alessandro, Guiseppina Rocca

We Pray for the Sick

John Russell (br. Ron/Noelene Russell) and
Leonie Prentice, Fr Eric Bryant, Fr. Barry Stickland,
Bernie Kelly

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.

Weekday Mass Times

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

Tues: 7.00 p.m.
Wed: 9.10 a.m.
Thu: 9.30 a.m.
Friday 5.40 p.m.
Sat: (Hillman Room) 10.00 a.m.

FATHER BRIAN GORE

Father Brian Gore of the Columban Fathers wishes to be remembered to all parishioners especially those from the Philippines. He has fond memories of his visits to our parish over ten years for the Flores/de Mayo.

Fr Brian was my host when I visited Manila recently.

Fr Silver Ablaza's Bishop-

Raymon Villena also sends regards and gratitude for our care of Fr Silver and the support we gave for the Technical Education project. Fr Tom

WE Congratulate

Dave & Vera Monaghan of Irymple on their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Fr. Paddy Bohan (Mildura 1957-58) on the sixtieth anniversary of his Ordination to the priesthood

Baptisms

Julia Fuda, Tessa Stokes, Sienna Dwyer

What's on this Week

St Vincent de Paul – Winter Appeal



Envelopes may be found at all the entrances to the church. Please donate what you can to this worthy cause and help them to keep up the good work for people less fortunate than ourselves this winter.

Mon 30th –Tues 31st July - Parish Council:

All members of the Parish Council are reminded that our formation and development meeting will take place in the Hillman Room on Mon 30th & 31st July at 5.30p.m. Dinner will be included. Mr Vin Dillon from the Bishop's Office will be leading our meeting.

1st and 2nd of August

FIRST EUCHARIST/COMMUNION IN SACRED HEART PARISH

The Sacrament of First Eucharist/Communion will be celebrated in Sacred Heart Catholic Parish in September.

Parents of intending candidates for First



Eucharist in our Parish must attend one of the two Parent Information Nights.

On the 1st and 2nd of August at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start in Sacred Heart Church.

Please Contact the Parish office on 5021 2872 for a registration form and letter.

Mildura Salvation Army Home League's 85th Birthday Celebration

Will be held on Thursday 2nd August at 1:15pm.

Our guest speaker will be Major June Purdy from Bendigo - our theme for the afternoon will be: Perspectives - A Woman's Look on Life!

It will be a relaxed afternoon for women finishing around 2:30pm afternoon tea provided.

All ladies are welcome. Please RSVP number attending from your church to Christine Waller Ph: 5023.1647 (leave a message) or after hours 5021.5103 by Tuesday 31st July

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP

A reminder to the members of the family group and anyone who would like to join us, our next gathering is on Sunday Aug. 5th at 6.30pm at the home of Pat and Jean Rocca,

3 Regal Court Mildura. for a spaghetti night.

Please bring a small salad or a sweet to share, also your drinks. As we will need to know the numbers attending please call Jean on 50237561 or Denise on 50211918

Vic bishops attack abortion move

Victoria's diocesan bishops have issued a statement characterising a move to decriminalise abortion in the state as a "backward step" saying that political leaders should be looking for ways to reduce one of the world's highest abortion rates.



In a statement issued yesterday, the bishops say that moves to decriminalise abortion would be a backward step for women and their families.

Removing abortion from the crimes act cannot make something so unethical acceptable, the bishops argue.

"Our political leaders should be trying to find new ways to reduce Victoria's high abortion rate rather than risk taking any steps which might make abortion more widespread," the statement signed by Melbourne Archbishop Denis Hart, Ballarat Bishop Peter Connors, Sale Bishop Jeremiah Coffey and Sandhurst Bishop Joe Grech says.

"Victoria has one of the highest abortion rates in the world with at least 1 in 4 pregnancies ending in abortion.

"Women with unplanned pregnancies need to be offered alternatives to abortion. No woman should have to choose between her own wellbeing and the life of her child.

"Yet all too often women report feeling that they had no other option. Abortion has become the only 'choice' and is a reflection that we are failing women," the statement says.

According to the bishops, recent studies have shown that most Australians would support new initiatives aimed at reducing the high rate of abortion.

"It is time for politicians and all people of good-will to leave behind the polarised debate of the past and work together to find genuine ways to support women and their families.

"We call on the parliament to investigate ways of increasing financial and human support for those facing the dilemma of an unexpected pregnancy.

"Women need good counselling and support, healthcare, welfare and housing assistance. Provision also needs to be made for their educational needs so that they can finish school or university," the bishop say, highlighting the church's own initiatives in the field.

"We condemn all violence to women and children before or after birth and call on all state parliamentarians to reject all moves to decriminalise abortion in Victoria," the bishops conclude.

Irymple Farmers Market

After Mass on 4th August Irymple will be holding its monthly market. Come along to the Farmers Market at the Irymple Church for all your fresh produce.

REFLECTION

Jesus speaks like an exasperated school teacher in 'Don't pay attention-you might learn something!' is what he is saying. Like the prophet Jeremiah before him, he is calling them to recognise where God is, or perhaps is not, in their lives.

Those who do not have faith and do not have God at the centre of their lives will not understand the parables of Jesus. There are the ones who 'have not' and they rely on the law rather than faith.

These people see belief in God as fulfilling requirements and rituals, rather than the faith relationship where we stand humbly before God, aware of our sinfulness and recognising that he and none other is our source of life, as today is psalm response says. Jesus, grant us the humility to recognise you and your word as the only meaning of our lives.

Quote

"Somewhere we know that without silence words lose their meaning, that without listening speaking no longer heals, that without distance closeness cannot cure."
Fr [Henri Nouwen](#)

Last Week's Collection

<u>Weekend July 15th</u>	
<u>Priests' Support</u>	\$ 1359.00
<u>Parish Support</u>	
Direct Debit and Credit Cards:	\$ 577.53
Envelopes	2140.10
Loose Plate	359.10
Total:	<u>\$3076.73</u>

W/end 4/5 ^a Aug.	6.00 p.m.	8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.	5.00 p.m.
Readers	G Huxtable	M Hickey G Scopacasa	Sr Patricia	L O'Connor
Eucharistic Ministers	M Sheahan M Meredith V Kidd J Hall M Crimmins M Joseph P Kelleher	L Welsh B Weightman E Frauenfelder L Belej T Panuccio D Brown	F Caldarelli C Carmichael R Op't Hoog E Mazza G Raiti F Chiavone T Chiavone	M Zema J Zema S Walker J Ribarits J Rocca P Rocca
Music	N Armsden Filipino Choir		Italian Choir	M Guthrie
Counting Team	Team 1 – Captain Greg Lavery Ph: 50211918			