



## SACRED HEART PARISH, MILDURA

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**St Francis Xavier Church**, Elms Street, Irymple

### PARISH PASTORAL TEAM:

Fr Tom Brophy, Fr Matt Thomas,  
 Gladys Abriani, Rebecca Hogan, Lys Crowe,  
 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.

## SUNDAY NOVEMBER 23 2008: Christ the King – Year A

### THIS WEEK: CHRIST THE KING

First Reading **Ez 34:11-12.15-17**

Psalms **Ps 22:1-3. 5-6. R. v.1**

*The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.*

Second Reading **1 Cor 15:20-26.28**

Gospel Acclamation **Mk 11:9-10**

Gospel **Mt 25:31-46**



### NEXT WEEK: First Sunday of Advent Year B

First Reading **Is 63:16-17; 64:1.3-8**

Psalms **Ps 79:2-3. 15-16. 18-19 R. v.4**

*Lord, make us turn to you: let us see your face and we shall be saved.*

Second Reading **1 Cor 1:3-9**

Gospel Acclamation **Ps 84:8**

Gospel **Mk 13:33-37**

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Recent Deaths:** David Monaghan,  
**Anniversaries:** Deceased members of Cirillo Family  
 Sun 8.30 a.m. Irymple Ilario Alicastro  
 Sun 10.00 a.m. Margaret Chalkley, Daniela Ghidinelli,  
 Teresa Dimasi, Luigi & Maria Mechela, Incoronata Resta,  
 Donato & Elisabetta De Angelis  
 Sun 5.00 p.m. Frank Cirillo, Alessandro Piscioneri,  
 Pascalina & Cosimo Dichiera

### Note to Families requesting special Masses:

Please let 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: Thurs ~20 Beasy Cr-10.30a.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: 7.00p.m.  
 Wed: 9.10a.m.  
 Thurs: 9.30 a.m.  
 Fri: 5.40 p.m.  
 Sat: 10.00 a.m

### We pray for the sick

Jean Smith (Murray House, W<sup>o</sup> worth) Peter Jones (Melb),  
 Peter Adair, Dan O'Brien (USA), Val Rosenhart, Les Smith,  
 Leo Couch (Nullawarre) June Harper & James(son-in-law of Joan Marshall)

### Baptism

This Sunday we welcome into God's family, and into our Parish Community **Mark Healy, Zavier and Noah Fry and Sienna Frasca** who will be baptised at 10.00a.m.Mass.

*A Blessing for our Parish as we celebrate Christ the King and the diversity of the many cultures we have in our community.....*

Bless us, Lord  
 when we hide in the culture and amongst the people with whom we're familiar  
 so that we cannot appreciate or even imagine, and least of all enjoy, the glitter of the peoples and cultures who surround us, close by and far away.  
 Bless us so that we may soar above our small worlds, familiar and safe, to enjoy you so present and glorious among the many and the varied.  
 Bless us with such a welcome for the different and diverse that our world may grow towards the world you know.  
 Amen.

### WHAT'S COMING UP

#### Parish Finance meeting

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 12 noon. Hillman Room Parish Pastoral Council to attend at 1.15pm.

#### CENTRAL WALNUTS BCC

A Home Mass will be held at the residence of Maisey and Phonse Taggart 4 Kookaburra Court Mildura on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November** 6.30pm. Fr Frank Monaghan will be our celebrant. BYO Finger Food and drink

**BURONGA ST ROCCO FESTIVAL CLUB** Will met at St Michael's Church Buronga on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov at 8.00pm.

### RCIA - RECONNECT

A gathering will be held for our past RCIA members to share their experience since coming into the church. This is an opportunity for the Sacred Heart Community to reconnect and support them on their journey. **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November** 7pm to 9pm in the Hillman Room.

## **The Passionist Family Group**

The Passionist Family Group will gather for their Kris Kringle at Jaycee Park after 10.00 am Mass on Sunday the **7<sup>th</sup> December**. Please bring food, drinks and a gift to exchange.

## **Youth Mass**

The next Youth Mass is Sunday, **30<sup>th</sup> November** 5pm. We have scheduled another meeting for **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November**, 7:30pm in the Hillman Room to finalise roles for this Mass - please come along and spread the word! The Knights are also very generously putting on a BBQ for us after this Mass so could we please encourage people to come along.

If you would like to sing/be involved with Music, we are having rehearsals on **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November**, in the Church, 7pm. If you would like to be involved please contact Virginia on 0408 386 964.

## **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

Our Advent Parish Celebration of the Sacrament of Penance in preparation for Christmas will be held on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00 p.m.**

## **Baptism Preparation      Next meeting**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov at 7.30pm in Hillman room.**  
**The December meeting will be on 10<sup>th</sup> Dec.**

Beginnings are both beautiful and important. You have prepared for your child's birth in many ways and now you prepare for your child's Baptism. Entry into the church's community and God's family through the rite of Baptism is a great decision and a significant step. Like preparing to bring a child into the world, Baptism has its own joys, rights and responsibilities.

As parents you take on many responsibilities for your children during their growing years. The Church shares your responsibility in preparing for your child's Baptism by providing an initial preparation program for parents and godparents. You are invited and expected to participate in this preparation to gain information about the celebration rite, to explore the meaning and hopes of your child's baptism and your own expectations about sharing the life of faith.

Preparation is a valued and hopefully an enjoyable experience for parents and, if possible, godparents and other family members who may support the child in the ways of faith. You will participate with other parents in a program led by experienced people who will cover topics including:

- rite of baptism, symbols and practices
- parent opportunities and responsibilities
- belonging to the Church
- sharing faith with your children

There will also be opportunities to discuss issues and ask questions.

The preparation program is offered on the fourth Wednesday of each month to parents or parents-to-be. Preferably parents should seek to attend a program as early as possible.

## **St Vincent de Paul**

**Vinnies Budget Grocery** would like to offer new skills and experience to men and women, young and old who would be able to devote a few hours to helping out in the store during the coming school holidays. For more information contact Kevin or Bob 5023 4458.

**Toys for Children for Christmas** The Christmas tree will be in the Church from Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Toys for children up to 12 years of age to the value of \$10.00 will be appreciated by the members of the St Vincent de Paul society. Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December will be the final date for the appeal.

## **PAVING**

*The paving has started. Please be aware for safety reasons to enter the Church from Eleventh Street you must use the foyer entrance and from the car park enter via the two side doors. The paving will take about four weeks to complete. Please do not climb over the orange barriers; they are in place for your safety.*

## **A Chance to make a Difference**

After a visit to the Fatima Centre run by the Good Sheppard Sisters in Bangkok, Thailand, and being so inspired by the work they are doing there, Sr Marion and Hilary Makepeace, with the help of the Sunraysia Theresians, are seeking donations of any unwanted cotton fabrics that you might have. These will be sent to the Fatima Centre and used in their sewing program that teaches employment skills to women. If you have any material that you would like to donate please leave it at the Parish Office or contact Hilary Makepeace on 0409143465 to arrange collection (by end November, 2008). Information on how to find the Centre can be obtained by contacting the Good Shepherd Sisters in Bangkok: Phone: 66 - 2 - 2450475 Fax: 66-2-6428716 E-mail: [shepherd@cscoms.com](mailto:shepherd@cscoms.com)  
[www.thetradingcircle.com.au](http://www.thetradingcircle.com.au) . **A selection of their products include** dolls and toys, Silk Jewellery, Christmas decorations, wall hangings, Tableware, scarves and much more.

## **Finance- Last Week's Collections**

Presbytery Collection – (1<sup>st</sup> Collection)      \$1245.00

Parish Collection -Envelopes (2<sup>nd</sup> Collection) \$1799.50  
Loose Plate      \$ 377.15

## **Thank You**

Maria Dean would like to thank the prayer group ladies for their prayers for Les. Also thank you to Fr Frank Monaghan for his prayers and for concelebrating Les' funeral with Fr Paul at Buronga.

**Brisbane storm** Our thoughts are very much with those parishes which suffered the brunt of the severe storm which hit Brisbane last Sunday. Reports suggest the worst affected were parishioners' homes and schools in the parishes of Albany Creek, St Johns Wood and The Gap, Mitchelton and Grovely. We hope that life can be restored to normal quickly.

## Sacred Heart Parish Pastoral Council Report

Meeting held on November 18th. Issues raised included:

- Education – both schools doing well with enrolment, staff and parent/community involvement.
- Parish – Paving is progressing well. Mulch was donated and will be spread this week.
- **Next meeting** December 16 at 8pm after Community Reconciliation.

### Do you long to give your life to something meaningful?

The Daughters of St Paul are a community of religious sisters focused on Christ. Engaging with the world through modern media and technology, they proclaim Christ in new ways to the people of each new generation. They invite you to share our mission and explore what religious life has to offer you. Inquiries can be made to Sr Linda on (03) 9882 4538 or at [vocations@pauline.com.au](mailto:vocations@pauline.com.au). You can find out more about us at [www.daughtersofstpaul.org.au](http://www.daughtersofstpaul.org.au).

### Reflection on today's readings

#### When Did We See You?

*Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100; Ephesians 1: 15-23; Matthew 25: 31-46*

In 1992, after a four-day walk of repentance for war and colonization, my friend Brian Watson painted a vivid color banner of a black-and-white newspaper illustration by Rita Corbin titled "Works of Mercy/Works of War." The words "visit the sick and imprisoned, feed the hungry, clothe the naked" have been on the walls of my home since.

I think this gospel reading is one of the most important biblical passages about how Christians are to live, but reading it this time I was struck not by the call to action and deed, but by how both the righteous and the accursed are equally bewildered by the words of Jesus. "When," they ask, "did we see you hungry, thirsty, as a stranger, naked, sick, or imprisoned?"

God and Jesus are not mystery shoppers come to test us. Poverty, violence, and injustice so pervade our world that even the saints among us sometimes avert their eyes, pass by on the other side, and fail to respond to the suffering around us. "When did we see you?"

I am touched by this passage as a critique of certainty and by the idea that, righteous or unrighteous, we do not recognize our encounters with God.

*by Laurel A. Dykstra - Sojourners*

#### 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 God's face  
And God's grace forever.  
May the Lord, Mighty God,  
Bless and keep you forever.

## THIS WEEKEND 22/23 Nov

### READERS

6.00 PM	C Ellis
8.00 AM	B Dolence
10.00 AM	M Jackson
5.00 PM	M Ransome

### MUSIC

6.00 PM	M Hammond, J Macri, K Loison
10.00 AM	Combined Choir
5.00 PM	M Sullivan, J Ljubic, All welcome.

### RCIA

10.00 AM	D Pemberton
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### EUCCHARIST MINISTERS

#### 6.00 PM

J. DeJong  
H. DeJong  
M. Capogreco  
L. Gooch  
M Sheahan  
A-M Greville

#### 8.00AM

N Zudetich  
D. Pemberton  
L. Welsh  
E. Frauenfelder  
L. Belej

#### 10.00 AM

P. Opie  
S. Opie  
N. Lewis  
S. Hermans  
T.  
FaingaAnuku  
M.FaingaAnuku  
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T. McNamara

#### 5.00 PM

Mary Joseph  
M. Joseph  
J. Macri  
A-M. Dimasi  
M. Conte

## Next Weekend 29/30 Nov

### MUSIC

6.00 PM	N. Armsden
10.00 AM	
5.00 PM	Youth Group.

### RCIA

8 A.M.	Isabel Russell
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### COUNTING TEAM

Team 10 Captain Brian Grogan 50212099

### Parish Pastoral Council Members:

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