



SACRED HEART PARISH, MILDURA

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PARISH PASTORAL TEAM:

Fr Tom Brophy, Fr Matthew 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 JAN 11 2009: The Baptism of the Lord - Year B

THIS WEEK: The Baptism of the Lord
 First Reading **Is 42:1-4. 6-7** or **Is 55:1-11**
 Psalm **Ps 28:1-4. 9-10. R. v.11** or **Is 12:2-6. R. v.6**
 The Lord will bless his people with peace.
 or You will draw water joyfully from the
 springs of salvation.
 Second Reading **Acts 10:34-38** or **1 Jn 5:1-9**
 Gospel **Mk 1:7-11**

NEXT WEEK: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

First Reading **1 Sm 3:3-10.19**
 Psalm **Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10. R. vv. 8.9**
[Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.](#)
 Second Reading **1 Cor 6:13-15. 17-20**
 Gospel
Jn 1:35-42

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recent Death: Neda Krpima.

Anniversaries: Vincenzo Pollifrone, Paul Matulin.

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 Crf- 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: 9.00a.m.

Thurs: 9.00 a.m.

Fri: 5.40 p.m.

Sat: 10.00 a.m

We pray for the sick

Catherine Mary Kerlin, Peter Adair, June Harper, James (son-in-law of Joan Marshall) & Mary Dorman.

BAPTISMS

This Sunday we welcome *Sofia Tabacco* into God's family, and into our Parish Community to be baptised at 6.00 pm Saturday. Also *Abbie Batchelor* who will be baptised at 10.00 a.m. on Sunday.

MASS IN NURSING HOMES

An invitation is extended to parishioners, relatives of residents and friends to attend the following Masses for residents of these nursing homes:

Tuesday Jan 13th 10.00 a.m.- Princes Court.

Wed Jan 14th 10.30 a.m. -Mildura Nursing Home.

Thurs Jan 15th 10.30 a.m. – Oasis Aged Care (Irymple).

WELCOME

We welcome Fr. Michael Madigan S.V.D. to our parish this weekend.

Fr Michael is a member of the Society of the Divine Word – which is a missionary congregation.

All being well Fr Michael will be with us until the end of February.

Please make him welcome.

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.

Parish Spirituality

"I know that in your parish communities you come together in small groups to reflect upon the Word of God; part of this also involves the verbal sharing of your daily experiences. This allows you to discover the community dimension of the Good News. Place this experience at the service of your brothers and sisters. Make yourselves builders of communities in which, after the example of the first community, the Word lives and acts."

Excerpt from an address by Pope John Paul II in Rome, May 1986.

Change of Details:

As a new year begins many parishioners are relocating within the district or moving out of the district.

If you are relocating, could you please notify the Parish office so that we can update your contact details.

PARISH EVENTS

*Monday 12th January 2009

The **Knights of the Southern Cross** will hold their monthly meeting in the Fleming Room at 7.30pm.

The Maestro and the Diva –

Sergio de Pieri (organist) in concert with emerging opera star, Sioban Stagg will perform on Wed 21st January in the Sacred Heart Church at 8.00 p. m.

Tickets \$15. Book Now at Mildura Arts Centre 50188330, Visitor Information Centre 50188376 or Online bookings go to www.artsmildura.com.au.

Reflection on the Readings-The Baptism of Jesus Year B(Isa 55:1-11; Mark 1:7-11)

The Baptism of Jesus marks the end of the Christmas season and the beginning of Ordinary Time. In the southern hemisphere, it generally coincides with the end of the summer holidays, a return to work and to the regular patterns of life. Most of us have been lucky enough to get some 'down time' after Christmas, time to reflect on the past year, alone or with loved ones, and to set goals for the year ahead, to move into Ordinary Time with renewed life and vigour for the sake of our planet and all its inhabitants.

The baptism story is an initiation or commissioning story. It needs to be heard against the backdrop of the first reading from Isaiah 55. Jesus is God's beloved who is to be 'a witness to the nations'. He is the source of life and life-giving sustenance. A graced and gracious life consists in fulfilling such a mission. In our times, it may consist in bringing hope to the women and children of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and other war-torn lands. It may lie in working to provide fresh water for the millions on our planet who do not yet enjoy that most basic of life's needs. It may simply consist in being there for those around us.

The voice from heaven, God's voice, names Jesus as 'beloved Son'. God's favour rests on Jesus. There are echoes here of the story of Isaac, the beloved son of Sarah and Abraham, the one through whom God's promises were to be fulfilled. Isaac is the ancestor of Jacob or Israel who struggled with God. God's people have always struggled with God and will continue to do so. But God's favour rests on God's people just as it rests on Jesus of Nazareth, God's beloved. We take heart from this in face of a world that cries out for justice and compassion. -Veronica Lawson RSM

SACRED HEART PARISH -PLAY GROUP

Play Group will recommence the 10th February 2009. As there are limited vacancies available please contact Louise Higgins Ph: 50234757.

Quote

"The true call of a Christian is not to do extraordinary things, but to do ordinary things in an extraordinary way. "

Dean Stanley

ROSTERS THIS WEEKEND

MUSIC

6.00PM M Hammond, K Loison
10.00AM N Armsden, B Lewis, Talia Fainga Anuku
5.00PM M Sullivan, J Ljubic, All welcome

READERS

6.00PM G Huxtable
8.00AM K Schultz
10.00AM B Bunting
5.00PM R Zalec

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

<u>6.00PM</u>	<u>8.00AM</u>
K Girke	M Mazza
S Girke	A Vartuli
J De Jong	N Zudetich
H De Jong	K Mapapalangi
M Capogreco	
L Gooch	

<u>10.00AM</u>	<u>5.00PM</u>
S Opt Hoog	W Finn
E Opie	T Finn
A Chalkley	P Cox
P Kerr	M Ransome
B Bunting	F Virgona
C Maugeri	
C McErvale	

Counting Team

Team 11 Peter Adair 50235193

NEXT WEEKEND Jan 10/11

Music

6p.m. M Hammond, L Crouch, J O'Bryan
10a.m. Pacific Islanders
5p.m. M Hammond, J Macri, A Treloar.

Last Week's Collections

Priests Support – (1 st Collection)	\$ 1,427.00
Envelopes (2 nd Collection)	\$ 2,972.90
Loose Plate	\$ 445.00
Christmas Offering (Total)	\$ 1,822.00

TV Sunday January 11th

ABC1: Compass at 8.30pm.: Pioneering City

This edition of *Compass* is the middle episode of a three part series looking at the radical religious thinkers and networks pioneering new ways of believing in the new millennium. Behind the clamour of fundamentalism, a quiet revolution is taking place. This episode focuses on the city of New York and despite its sad recent history as a victim of religious fundamentalism, it is also the home of the emerging interfaith movement.

ABC1.:10.05pm Changing Climate, Changing Times

This SBS documentary is set in the Year 2075. Climate predictions made at the beginning of the 21st century have turned out to be dramatically true and global warming of the Earth's atmosphere has now serious consequences on the every day lives of our grandchildren.

Changing Climate, Changing Times focuses on the destiny of three characters impacted in different and dramatic ways by global warming, in Europe, Africa, and the arctic region.