



## SACRED HEART PARISH, MILDURA

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

### 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 25th 2009:** Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

**MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup> January AUSTRALIA DAY**

**THIS WEEK:** Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading **Jon 3:1-5. 10**

Psalm **Ps 24:4-9. R. v.4**

*Teach me your ways, O Lord.*

Second Reading **1 Cor 7:29-31**

Gospel **Mk 1:14-20**

**NEXT WEEK:** 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading **Dt 18:15-20**

Psalm **Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.9**

*If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.*

Second Reading **1 Cor 7:32-35**

Gospel **Mk 1:21-28**

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Recent Deaths:** Anastasia Lanigan.

**Anniversaries:** Kath Groves, Mary Natale.

Sat 10.00 a.m. George Russell.

Sat 6.00 p.m. Pat Rocca

Sun 8.00 a.m. Gabriele Vanni, Terese Vanni.

Sun 5.00 p.m. Cosimo Pileggi.

### 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 Crt-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*

Mon: 9.00 a.m.

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

Peter Adair, June Harper, Phil Smith, Susan Garland (Melb sister of Pam) & Joshua Herrick.

### Baptism

This Weekend we welcome into God's family and into our Parish Community Mia Dickson at the 8.30a.m. Mass Irymple.

### 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.

### Australia Day Mass

Come & join Fr Matthew for 9.00 a.m. Mass Monday.

### Australia Day

Mon 26 Jan

*An Australia Day prayer by Bruce Prewer in his book, Australian Prayers:*

God of Australia ...

We bring you our gratitude

for the diversity and wealth

of this land and its people;

for its weathered old mountains, fertile valleys,

and vast plains;

for its riches of mine and agriculture,

forest, and grazing lands;

for the first Australians, who know and love this continent

with an intimate, profound sensitivity;

for the courage, vision and sacrifice of the early settlers;

for the diverse races who now call

Australia home:

For these and all your gifts

we offer you, O Lord, our joyful, thankful hearts.

### CROATIAN MASS

Fr Stjepan Gnjec will be visiting our Parish this week.

He will be offering:

Confession Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Jan at 6.00p.m. followed by Holy Mass at 7.00p.m. at Sacred Heart Church.

### MUSICIANS

The new music roster is now completed and is available for collection from either the Organ or back table could everyone please ensure they collect a copy this weekend please.

## Journey of Healing

We who have come from every land give thanks for Australia,  
This earth that feeds us;  
The shores that bind us;  
The skies that envelop us in freedom.

We stand together, united as one people;  
Proud of our ability to work together;  
Grateful for our gifts;  
Nourished by our diversity and our harmony.

Yet we turn to the original owners of our land and see, too,  
what we have taken.  
We weep for their loss of freedom, of country, of children -  
Even of their very lives.  
We stand in awe at their survival and in debt for their land.

We have shadows in our history which if unfaced diminish us  
We have taken without asking;  
Our nation has taken without asking;  
Lives are wounded. We see the pain, feel the sorrow and seek  
forgiveness.

Let us look back with courage; see the truth and speak it.  
Let us look around with compassion; see the cost and share it.  
Let us look forward with hope; see what can be and create it.

Give us courage to face the truth;  
Compassion to share the burden -  
Strength to play our part in the healing -  
And hope to walk forward to a place of justice.

With courage, compassion, strength and hope, we will walk  
together on the journey of healing. - *WA Reconciliation Inter-  
Faith Working Group*

## Thankyou

Mary Dorman would like to thank everyone for their  
prayers and support over the past 12 months during her ill  
health.

## **Gospel Reflection-3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B**

**First Reading (Jonah 3:1-5, 10).** The book of Jonah is a  
story of God's judgment, of a people's repentance, and of  
God's liberating power. Jonah is the messenger who  
brings God's word of judgment to the city of Nineveh. His  
word is effective: the people 'believe God' and turn from  
their 'evil ways'. God is depicted as pliable and capable of  
also changing direction. Jonah's God is a God of freedom  
and forgiveness.

**Second Reading (1 Cor 7:29-31).** Paul's early letters  
have to be understood against the background of his  
conviction that the end of the world was just around the  
corner. He invites his readers to turn their lives towards  
God. This reading might lead us, in our 21<sup>st</sup> century  
context, to ponder the transitory nature of many of our  
conventions, popular philosophies, and institutions. It  
might function as an invitation for us to keep bringing  
our limited political, social, or economic systems into  
dialogue with God's empire of boundless justice and  
compassion.

**Gospel Reading (Mark 1:14-20).** Most of the gospel  
readings this year will be from Mark's story of Jesus. As  
with any story, it is best to read it from beginning to end.  
That takes about two hours. The main character is Jesus  
and there are other character and character groups. The  
first part of the story (Mk 1:1-8:26) raises the question,  
'Who is this?' The central passage (Mk 8:27-30) provides  
a partial answer: Jesus is the Messiah or God's Anointed  
One, the Christos. The second part of the story (Mk 8:31-  
16:8) is full of surprises: Jesus is not a militaristic

messiah, but one who is prepared to suffer death for the  
sake of God's empire - God finally triumphs over suffering  
and death. The invitation to us as readers is to enter into  
the story, to identify with the characters and character  
groups, and to listen to the teachings of Jesus. In the  
passage selected for today, the Markan Jesus announces  
his program and invites others to reorient their lives and  
join him on a mission of proclaiming God's way of being  
in the world. One might get the impression that the  
disciples are all men. We have to go to the end of the  
gospel to find that there are also women 'who came up  
with him to Jerusalem' from Galilee. The central section  
of the gospel (Mk 9-10) makes it clear that there are  
children on the journey as well. So let us imagine a much  
more extended group around Jesus than today's little  
gospel reading suggests. Women, men, and children, we  
are all invited to leave behind whatever gets in the way of  
bringing God's empire into our world.

-Veronica Lawson RSM

## ROSTERS THIS WEEKEND

### MUSIC

6.00 pm N Armsden, L Crouch,  
10.00 am

5.00PM N Armsden, J Macri, A Treloar

### READERS

6.00 pm V Chong

8.00 am P Sandell

10.00 am C Carmichael

5.00 pm M Ransome

### SPECIAL MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

6.00 pm 8.00 am

M McDonald T Panuccio

M Roper D Brown

S Tisler P O'Donnell

K & S Girke F Carbone

L Roden B Weightman

J DeJong

10.00 am

U Williams

P & S Opie

N Lewis

S Hermans

T Fainga Anuku

M Fainga Anuku

5.00 pm

Mary Joseph

M. Joseph

J. Macri

A-M. Dimasi

M. Conte

## Counting Team

Team 8 Trevor Aust 50236597

## **Last Week's Collections**

Priests Support - (1<sup>st</sup> Collection) \$ 1216.00

Envelopes (2<sup>nd</sup> Collection) \$ 2,916.00

Loose Plate \$ 435.45