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Fr. Neville Stanislaus, Fr. James McKay
Fr. Frank Monaghan PE
Secretarial Staff:
Gladys Abriani, Cathy Pickup

Weekday Masses

If there is a Funeral Mass on Wed, Thurs, the advertised Mass will be cancelled.

Tues: 7.00 p.m. Wed: 9.10 a.m.
Thurs: 9.30 a.m. Fri: 5.40 p.m. Sat: 10.00

Weekend Mass Times

Sat: 6.00 p.m.
Sun: 9.00 a.m., 5.00 p.m.
Irymple: 8.30 am.

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St Francis Xavier's Church
Elms Street, Irymple

SUNDAY 1st MAY 2011
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Our Parish Vision

"Our Parish is a Eucharistic Community united by our faith in Jesus Christ.

We work together in the power of the Holy Spirit to spread the good news of God's Kingdom."

Our Parish Schools

Sacred Heart Primary School – Principal Greg Lane 50231204

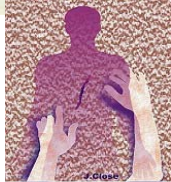
St Paul's Primary School – Principal Corrie

Conway-Weel 50234567

Catholic Secondary College

St Josephs – Principal Darren Atkinson

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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Psalm. Ps 117:2-4. 13-15. 22-24. R. v.1

Response: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Second Reading. 1 Pt 1:3-9

Gospel. John. Jn 20:19-31

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS.

First Reading. Acts 2:14, 22-33

Psalm. Ps 15:1-2. 5. 7-11. R. v.11

Response. Lord, you will show us the path of life

Second Reading. 1 Pt 1:17-21

Gospel. Lk 24:13-35

RECENT DEATHS: Rosa Parisi (in Italy- sister of Filomena Garreffa, Maria Musolino and Joe Rocca), Salesi Femuiaki

ANNIVERSARIES:

Sat 6.00 p.m: Michael Joseph Smith

Sun 9.00 a.m: Vincent Vidovich

Sun 5.00 p.m: Giovanni Sergi, Giuseppe & Tony Sergi (Rem)

Tues. 7.00 p.m: Vincenzo Scopelliti (1 Yr)

Wed . Helen Grivec (Birthday rem)

Thur. Ljubo Zvonar

Only members of the deceased's immediate family are permitted to arrange anniversary Masses.

WEEKLY PRAYER

OPPORTUNITIES

Monday Prayer Group: 2.00- 4.00 p.m.

Rosary: Monday 5.00 p.m.

Prayer of the Church:

Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri. 8.40 a.m.

Charismatic Prayer Group: Tues 7.30 p.m.

Scripture Reading: Thurs 10.30 a.m 20 Beasy Court

Devotion Prayer and Exposition: Fri 3.00 p.m

Christian Meditation: Sat – 11.30 a.m. *Hillman Rm.*

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – held the 1st Friday of each month in the Church from 12 noon – 5.00 p.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday 11. 00 a.m to 12.00 p.m



REFLECTION

Some of us remember when we spoke of the Sundays 'after' Easter. The terminology has changed and we now speak of the Sundays 'of' Easter. In other words, we now recognise that the liturgical readings and prayers for each Sunday between Easter and Pentecost invite us into different movements of the one great symphony of resurrection faith. The first scene in today's gospel has the disciples hiding behind closed doors 'for fear' of those who had handed Jesus over to be executed by the Roman authorities. Jesus appears among them, offers a greeting of peace, and tells them that he has been sent by God, his 'Father'. They receive from him the gift of the Holy Spirit. He sends them in turn to bring peace and to mediate the forgiveness of God through the power of the Spirit. The story invites us as believers to place ourselves in the shoes of the earliest disciples. It invites us to receive the gift of the Spirit, to emerge from behind the doors that close us in on ourselves, and that prevent us from rising above the fear of reprisals in the pursuit of justice and peace. The second and third scenes in today's gospel focus on Thomas who was not with the other disciples when Jesus first appeared in their midst. Thomas is not exactly the trusting type. He seems to trust only his own first hand experience. We all know people like Thomas. They test our patience because they seem to lack imagination. Then they make big statements when they come around to understanding what everyone else has known for a while. If we think, however, that those who hear in the first place are any better than Thomas, we need to note that the doors are still closed eight days down the track! The simple fact of knowing has not dispelled the fears. Even those who do believe and trust often need time to take the gospel message on board. While Christians celebrate Easter, our Jewish sisters and brothers are marking Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day. We might join our prayers with theirs for the many who died at the hands of those who allowed their racial fears and prejudices to take unimaginable directions. We might also take the opportunity to pray for an end to all forms of discrimination in our own times.

- Veronica Lawson RSM

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Wayne Smith, Peter Sullivan (Melb)

If you want a sick person prayed for, please ask for their permission. Please let us know when to take their name off the list.

COMING EVENTS

WALNUT BCC

The next BCC meeting will take place at Fay Turner's home at Unit 2/1 Bowen Crescent Mildura, on Sunday 1st May at 1 .00p.m. BYO Drinks and finger food to share.
ALL WELCOME

THE PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP

The Passionist Family Group will be dining at the Regal Chinese Restaurant at 6.30 pm Sunday evening the 1st May. Please let Raylee know of your intentions in plenty of time for booking purpose on 50238778. All welcome, hope to see you there.

SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

The Social Justice group will meet on Wednesday 4th May at 6.30 pm, in the Fleming Room.

DEMENTIA FREE INFORMATION SESSION

A free information session will be held on Thursday 19th May from 10.00 a.m – 1.00 p.m, in the Benetook Room Alfred Deakin Centre. Followed by a light lunch. ALL WELCOME. Bookings essential RSVP by 13th May Freecall 1800052222

FLORES DE MAYO

The FloresDe Mayo will be held on Sunday 15th May at 9.00 a.m. During Mass we will experience another different faith tradition and culture.

"WOMEN IN TODAY'S CHURCH"

The Open Forum will be held Thursday 19th May, in O'Collins Hall, Dawson Street, Ballarat- next to St Patrick's Cathedral, beginning at 5.00 p.m. (Cup of tea/coffee on arrival, with the Forum commencing at 5.30 p.m. - concluding at 6.45p.m.) For more details on the Ballarat Diocese Women's Reference Group please

visit: <http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services/default.cfm?loadref=568>

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Fr. Michael McKinnon 50212872.	Terry Murphy 50233056.
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Suliana Mataele 0448658687.	Mary Gobbo 50234621.
Corrie Conway-Weel 50234567	Darren Atkinson 50188000

MASS CENSUS COUNT

Please note a Census Count will begin this weekend and be conducted over the following four weeks. Could all counting teams please take note. Forms are on the back table to be completed.

A VERY BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE PARISHIONERS WHO DONATED FLOWERS TO THE CHURCH OVER THE EASTER PERIOD.

ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

INTERFAITH PRESENTATION

Sister Trish Madigan will be in Mildura on Thursday May 12th at 7.00 p.m.

Sister Trish is a Dominican sister and is executive officer of the Broken Bay Diocese Commission for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations. She is experienced in interfaith dialogue in many contexts, and is a foundation member of the Women's Interfaith network. She is also a Christian representative on the Australian National Dialogue of Christians, Jews and Muslims.

NATIONAL eCONFERENCE

"The Holy Spirit Giver of Life"

Key note educators Father Denis Edwards and Sister Janette Gray rsm with Father Chris Ryan MGL and Mrs Jan Heath

Thursday 19th May 2011

10:30am to 3:15pm

Hillman Room

All enquiries directed to Father Neville

SACRAMENTAL

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Parent formation for their children's reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place over two evenings in the church, both of which parents are expected to attend.

1st Evening: Wednesday 4th May at 7.30 pm.

2nd Evening: Wednesday 11th May at 7.30 pm.

Confirmation dates as follows: June 4th & 5th and June 11th & 12th.



LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

1st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery) \$ 1695.00

2nd Collection (Support of Parish & Diocese) \$ 2716.00

Loose Plate: \$ 1241.60

Project Compassion to date \$ 4384.15

Holy Land Collection \$ 1391.15

Easter Offering \$ 1741.90

(This collection and the offerings go toward the cost of the Priests' stipends/ food / cleaning / fuel / car expenses/other living expenses/ phone / SEC and Diocesan expenses which are paid quarterly)

MISSING BOOK

A book was left in Church over the Easter Period, the book is called "The Children of Mary Manuel" if you know the whereabouts of this book, could you please return it to the Presbytery office ASAP. Thank you





WORLD PRESS FREEDOM DAY

Amnesty International will create a giant wall in Hobart's Salamanca Square on Saturday 3 May, to symbolize the struggle for media freedom in China.

World Press Freedom Day is an opportunity to celebrate and evaluate the fundamental right to expression, and Amnesty International calls on the Chinese authorities to end the persecution of journalists. "In its bid for the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games, China promised there would be free and unrestricted media access, but journalists continue to be persecuted, bloggers jailed, websites shut down and certain web pages remain censored," says China Campaign Coordinator Sophie Peer. China's Great Firewall, also known as the Golden Firewall, will be recreated to represent opposition to internet censorship and support for freedom of expression. The firewall is monitored by between 30,000 and 50,000 'cyber police'. It is enabled by companies such as Yahoo!, Microsoft, Google, Sohu and Baidu. People can tear down and sign one of the 25,000 action cards, which will be directed to one of five technology companies operating in China. "We are deeply concerned that these companies continue to comply with China's demands and block access to certain websites. They should disclose any policies, laws and online practices which may result in user's details being provided to authorities." "We are calling on all internet service providers operating in China to publicly support the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, including the right to freedom of expression and the right to privacy. This support should be practically implemented through policies which enable unrestricted internet access." The firewall was launched in Melbourne on Wednesday 30 April, and will go on a national tour for the next 90 days, visiting every capital city and many regional centres. The action is part of a global week of action by Amnesty International, to raise awareness about human rights violations in China. For more information about human rights visit www.uncensor.com.au.

ROME PUTS FINISHING TOUCHES TO BEATIFICATION PREPARATIONS

Church and civil authorities in Rome are putting the finishing touches on logistical plans to handle potentially massive crowds for the beatification of Pope John Paul II, as the date draws closer, reports the Catholic News Service. Vatican officials were also heartened at a massive response to online projects designed to make the beatification a universal experience. Pope Benedict XVI will celebrate the beatification Mass in St. Peter's Square May 1. Because no tickets are being handed out for the liturgy, no-one really knows how many people to expect. Estimates range from 300,000 to 1.5 million, and crowd control barriers will be set up for blocks around the Vatican. Immediately after Mass, the faithful can pray before Pope John Paul's unopened casket, which will be set in front of the main altar in St Peter's Basilica. The veneration is expected to continue most of the day. A large crowd is also expected for the prayer vigil April 30 at the site of Rome's ancient Circus Maximus racetrack, where Pope Benedict will appear via video. While the size of the crowds remained a mystery, Vatican officials said their online initiatives had already taken the beatification to groups and individuals around the world. For example, the Vatican's special beatification.

Facebook page at www.facebook.com/vatican.johnpaul2 has had more than 6 million visits and has gained nearly 50,000 followers.

WHEN GOD SPOKE ENGLISH

To mark the 400th anniversary of its publication, *When God Spoke English* traces the unexpected story of how the King James Bible came into being, and why this world-wide best seller is still considered one of the most influential books of all time. In a turbulent and violent age, the King James Bible was the grand political project of a king determined to unite a country torn apart by religious factions. Its translation was entrusted to a committee of around 50 scholars from Cambridge, Oxford and London who, despite their flaws, created a text which many claim has never been equalled. British author Adam Nicolson argues this version of the Bible, designed for the common man, helped create and shape the English language, culture and much more. From Westminster Abbey to Hampton Court and the dreaming spires of Oxford and Cambridge, Nicolson leaves no stone unturned to find out how the King James Bible came into being, and why it's been such an enduring success.



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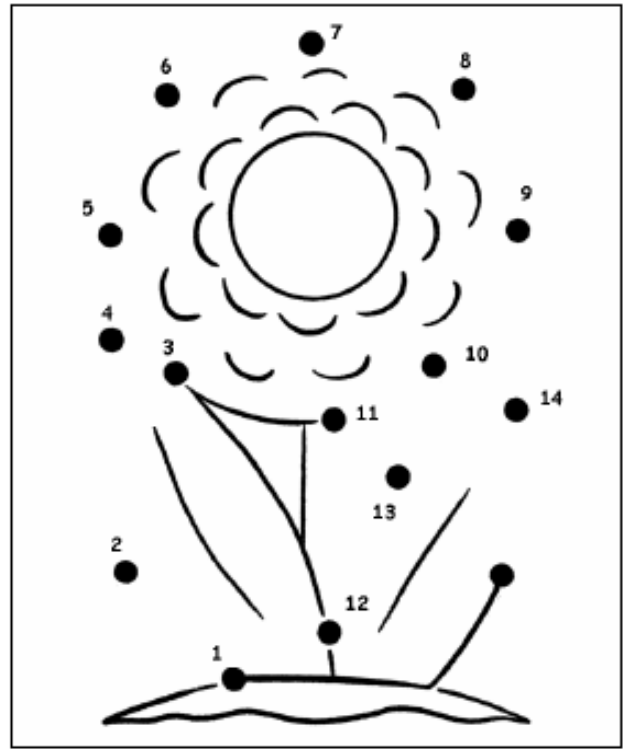
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COMPASSION
2011



FOR THE CHILDREN

Connect all the dots, and see the amazing picture. What is this?



MINISTERS ROSTER

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST			MUSIC			READERS		
1 st May			1 st May			1 st May		
6.00 P.M	9.00 A.M	5.00 P.M	6.00 P.M	9.00 A.M	5.00 P.M	6.00 P.M	9.00 A.M	5.00 P.M
M Cirillo	G Scopacasa	B Dolence	M Hammond	Italian Choir	M Sullivan	T Swincer	Jill Joslyn	Melanie Ransome
M Capogreco	M Scopacasa	S Hermans	B Lewis		Youth Group			
L Gooch	M Flinn	M Suppa	J O'Bryan					
A.M Greville	L De lesi	F Virgona			COUNTING TEAM 6			
M Sheahan	T Panuccio	R Antony			JIM O'DONNELL	50214939		
M Meredith	P O'Donnell							
J Hall	F Carbone							

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST			MUSIC			READERS		
8 th May			8 th May			8 th May		
6.00 P.M	9.00 A.M	5.00 P.M	6.00 P.M	9.00 A.M	5.00 P.M	6.00 P.M	9.00 A.M	5.00 P.M
P Kelleher	G Raiti	M Zema	N Armsden	G & F Lane	M Hammond	G Huxtable	A Wilkinson	B Dolence
M McDonald	C Maugeri	J Zema	Filipino Group		M Schmidt			
K Quinlan	A Chalkley	S Walker						
B Weightman	A Vartuli	J Ribarits			COUNTING TEAM 7			
E Frauenfelder	N Zudetich	Mary Joseph			ALAN CHALKLEY	50221746		
M Roper	S Visona							
S Tisler	B Bunting							