

Fr. Michael McKinnon PP
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: 7.00 p.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 29th MAY 2011

SIXTH 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 50188000

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Psalm. Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20. R. see v.1

Response. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Second Reading. 1 Pt 3:15-18

Gospel. Jn 14:15-21

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS.

First Reading. Acts 1:1-11

Psalm. Ps 46:2-3. 6-9. R. v.6

Response. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Second Reading Gospel. Eph 1:17-23

RECENTLY DECEASED: Stella Smith, Bill Rosenhart (Brother of Henriette DeJong), Patricia Bahr, Maria Natalina Strangio

ANNIVERSARIES:

Sat 28th 6.00 p.m.: Kevin Ryan, Carmela Alicastro, Vincenzo Misale

Sun 29th 9.00 a.m.: Alex Pytel

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Wayne Smith, Peter Sullivan (Melb), Jenny Jones, Joe Garner

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.

ONTARIO NURSING HOME MASS

Mass will be held on Tuesday 31st May at 2.00 p.m.

REGIS MASS

Mass will be held on Tuesday 31st May at 2.00pm



REFLECTION

Those who defend themselves in court run the risk of being outsmarted by clever and sometimes unscrupulous adversaries or even by their lawyers. It is never a good idea to be too self-reliant even in a country with a basically sound legal system such as ours. Today's gospel implies that the disciples need a defense attorney or lawyer. Jesus has acted in that capacity for them in their struggles with the anti-gospel forces arrayed against them.

Now he is close to death and he gives them instructions that begin and end with reference to loving him and keeping his commandments. Jesus has given them 'a new commandment' (13:34-35): '...that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.' Later in this discourse (15:12-14) the reader of the gospel learns what the actors in the drama already know about Jesus' commandments. 'This is my commandment,' says Jesus, 'that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you.' This is no small demand, to be prepared to die for one another.

The disciples cannot live out such a commitment on their own, given the opposition they are likely to face. Neither is Jesus leaving them 'orphans' who have to fend for themselves. He will ask his Father to provide 'another' defender or advocate who will act on their behalf, an advocate who will always be there. This new advocate is the 'Spirit of truth'. As we approach the end of the Easter season, the liturgy thus points us in the direction of Pentecost and the gift of God's Spirit.

It is good to know we are never on our own. It is also good to reflect on the capacity we have for love. Most of us will never find ourselves in a situation where our love is tested to the point that we have to die for another. On the other hand, we are constantly being called on to put the well-being of others, even their survival, before our own comfort. With global warming and the life-style changes that will inevitably come sooner rather than later, we may well find ourselves 'laying down our lives' in various ways for the sake of our friends across the planet. With the help of the Spirit, our Advocate, we can surely rise to the challenge.

- Veronica Lawson RSM



Congratulations to Vic & Shirley Cavallaro and Peter & Regina Fitzpatrick on recently celebrating their golden wedding anniversaries.

COMING EVENTS

LITURGY MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 15/6/11 at 7.30pm in the Hillman Room

FESTA DE SAN ANTONIO

The feast of St Anthony will be celebrated on Sunday 19th June at the 9.00 a.m Mass and following. During the week leading up to the celebration, Fr Aurelio Fragipane (Melbourne) will visit the schools and also offer one or two evenings for adults. More information to follow.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC GROUP

You are invited to a two course casserole luncheon and crazy whist day on Monday 27th June at 12 noon \$15.00 per head. This will be held in the "Vines" community room (San Mateo Avenue). Afternoon tea provided. Please contact Marie Howden by 20th June on 50230522 or Maisie Taggart on 50231229. All proceeds will be donated to St Vincent De Paul.

PARISH ASSEMBLY

Please see Parish Pastoral Council notes

SACRAMENTAL

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation dates as follows:

June 4th & 5th and June 11th & 12th.

Let us be mindful of the children preparing for Confirmation and their families over these next few weeks. We pray too for all teachers and Catechists who work so generously to assist in the faith formation of these children



BAPTISM: We would like to welcome into our Parish family Aurora Whittall, Aylah Rowe, Gianluca Dimasi, Jonty Woodburn, Ava Martin, Tiarna DeMaria & Lenny Fumberger.

THANK YOU TO THE TONGAN COMMUNITY

Once again, a special word of thanks to our Tongan community for the beautifully prepared liturgy and luncheon last Sunday to celebrate the feast of St Peter Chanel. We are blessed with a diversity of cultural expression within our Parish Community, for which we are deeply grateful. We also acknowledge the generous donation of \$1400.00 by the Tongan Community to our Parish. Thank you and God Bless. Father Michael.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

1st Collection (support of Priests & Presbytery) \$ 1467.00
 2nd Collection (Support of Parish & Diocese) \$ 2533.20
 Loose Plate: \$ 592.20

(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)

VINNIE'S WEEKLY SPECIALS

Noodles 90g bowl	\$1.00
Noodles 115g bowl	\$1.00
S.P.C Baked Beans	\$0.85
SPC Spaghetti	\$0.85
S.P.C Pears in Watermelon Jelly 4pk	\$1.50
Mildura Sunrise Fruit Drink 2L	\$2.00
White Onions	\$2.00 kg
Chatt potatoes 5kg bag	\$4.00

Vinnie's Budget Groceries are a non-profit Organisation. It is able to maintain competitive prices through the dedicated Volunteers. More support means lower prices for Mildura's Community.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEMBERS

Fr. Michael McKinnon 50212872.	Terry Murphy 50233056.
Sr. Rosemary Graham 50231841.	Fr. Jim McKay 50212872.
Fr. Neville Stanislaus 50212872.	Brian Grogan 50212099.
Peter O'Donnell 0429104225.	Rini Opt'Hoog 50230941.
Lyn Welsh 50231356.	Denise Knight 50257111.
Suliana Mataele 0448658687.	Mary Gobbo 50234621.
Corrie Conway-Weel 50234567	Darren Atkinson 50188000

PARISH ASSEMBLY: FOLLOW UP – JUNE 21ST

We are planning a second Parish assembly which will focus on the restructuring of our Parish Pastoral Council. At least four of our current members are due to retire from the Council, and so we must also look at how we will fill those places. Parishioners will be personally invited to this assembly with the intention that they might at least consider accepting a position on the council. The new structure of the Parish Council will be explained and discussed at this gathering before people are formally invited to accept nomination.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council is currently looking at all the groups operating within our Parish and how we can better serve you. If you have any requests or issues you would like to discuss with the Team please contact us via the Parish Office.

SILOAM HOUSE, 195 DEAKIN AVE. MILDURA.

Fully Serviced Professional Office/Rooms Available For Lease.

Two Rooms Available.

For Further Information Please Contact:
 (03)50236790 During Office Hours. Or Kerry Buchecker on 0430494185.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF UNITED NATIONS

PEACEKEEPERS – 29 MAY 2011

By resolution 57/129 of 11 December 2002, the General Assembly designated 29 May as the International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers, to pay tribute to all the men and women who have served and continue to serve in United Nations peacekeeping operations for their high level of professionalism, dedication and courage, and to honour the memory of those who have lost their lives in the cause of peace.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2011

What is National Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is an annual celebration from 27 May – 3 June and is a time for all Australians to reflect on our shared histories, contributions and achievements. The week is framed by two key events in Australia's history which provide strong symbols of the aspirations for reconciliation.

May 27 marks the anniversary of Australia's most successful referendum and a defining event in our nation's history. The 1967 Referendum saw over 90 per cent of Australians vote to give the Commonwealth the power to make laws for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and *recognise* them in the national census.

On 3 June, 1992, the High Court of Australia delivered its landmark Mabo decision which legally *recognised* that Indigenous people had a special relationship to the land—that existed prior to colonisation and still exists today. This *recognition* paved the way for Indigenous land rights called Native Title.



INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY

Children's
Day

The World Conference for the Well-being of Children in Geneva, Switzerland proclaimed June 1 to be

International Children's Day in 1925. It is not clear as to why June 1 was chosen as the International Children's Day: one theory has it that the Chinese consul-general in San Francisco (USA) gathered a number of Chinese orphans to celebrate the [Dragon Boat Festival](#) in 1925, which happened to be on June 1 that year, and also coincided with the conference in Geneva.

The holiday is celebrated on 1 June each year. It is usually marked with speeches on children's rights and wellbeing, children TV programs, parties, various actions involving or dedicated to children, families going out, etc.

FEAST DAYS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday 31 May The Visitation

The feast commemorates the visit of Mary to her cousin Elizabeth after the Annunciation when the angel Gabriel had revealed to Mary her role in God's plan. The visit was the occasion of Mary's hymn of joy, the Magnificat, described in the first chapter of Luke's Gospel.

MARY MACKILLOP PATRONAGE FOR PARRA

DIOCESE 25TH ANNIVERSARY

The Bishop of Parramatta is delighted that the Vatican's gift to the diocese on its 25th anniversary was the patronage of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Bishop Anthony Fisher celebrated the diocese's silver jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving at St Patrick's Cathedral on May 19. The Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Giuseppe Lazzarotto, announced at the Mass that the Vatican had approved the diocese's petition for St Mary MacKillop to be named its patron. In his homily, Bishop Fisher said: "I thank His Excellency, the Papal Nuncio, and through him the Congregation for Divine Worship on behalf of the Holy Father, for agreeing to our petition. "Through the intercession of this woman who was not afraid to be a saint, we pray for many more saints in our diocese and in our land in the years ahead." "St Mary MacKillop personally established schools at Penrith and St Marys, and her Josephite daughters built and staffed many more," he said."Generations of us have reason to be grateful to her and her daughters, as do other religious, for the network of schools that they established here and for the witness of their consecrated life. "St Mary MacKillop has a particular link to our diocese, not just because she laboured among us in this life, but also because she interceded from heaven to bring about a miracle for one of our parishioners. No wonder our priests and people overwhelmingly asked for her as our patron."

A Gorilla Strolled into a Pub

A gorilla strolled into a pub, slapped a five dollar note on the bar and asked for a beer. Once he got over his shock, the barman pulled the beer, scooped up the fiver and gave the gorilla 40 cents in change.

As the primate sipped his beer, the barman could control his curiosity no longer

'Out for a walk, are you?' ventured the barman.

'Yeah' replied the gorilla.

'We don't get many gorillas in here,' said the barman, keen to keep up the conversation.

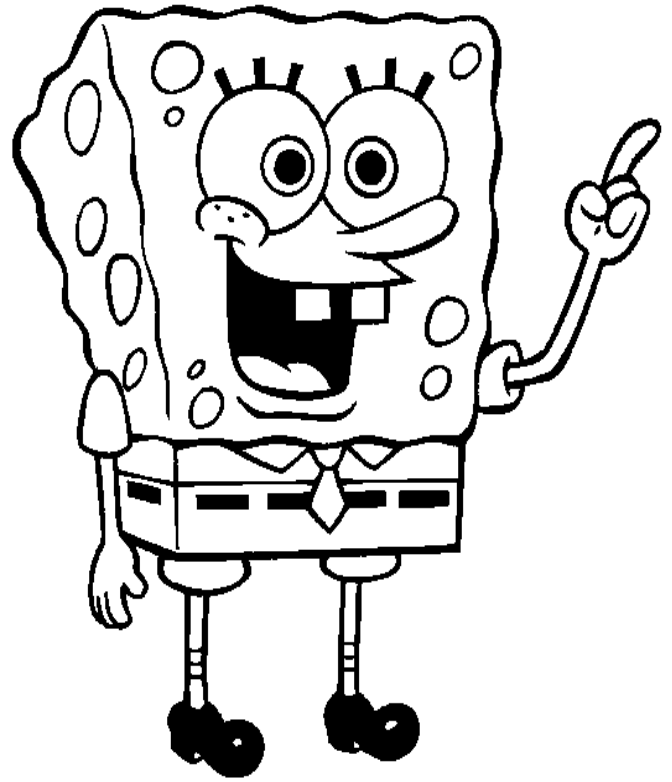
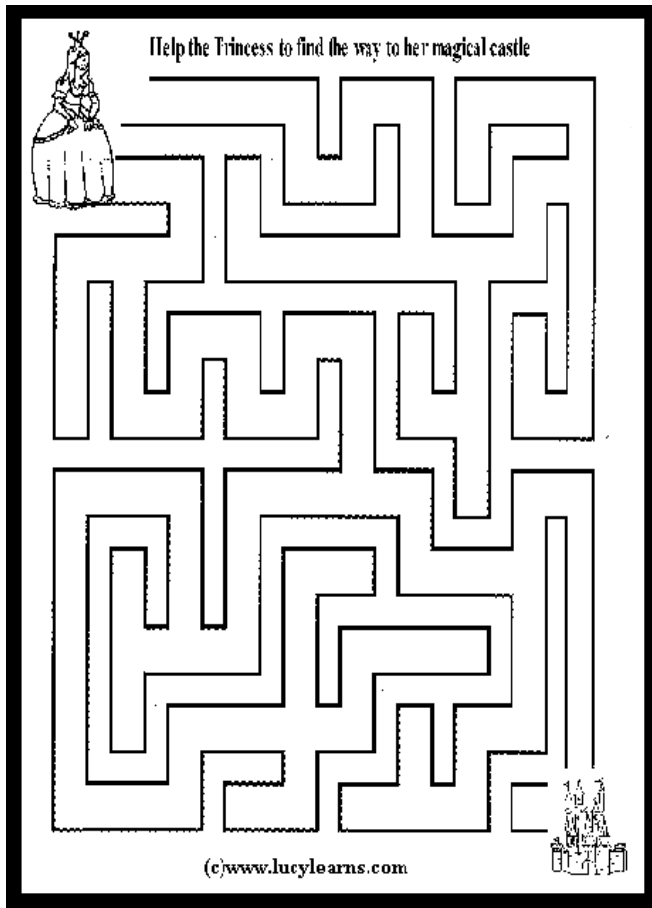
'No wonder, at \$4.60 a glass.'



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

FOR THE CHILDREN



MINISTERS ROSTER

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST			MUSIC			READERS		
29 th May			29 th May			29 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	F Carbone	J Ribarits	G & F Lane	M Hammond	M Sullivan	Sr Patricia	R Byra	B Kelly
M McDonald	G Raita	M Joseph		B Lewis	Youth Group			
K Quinlan	C Maugeri	J Matthew		J O'Bryan				
B Weightman	A Chalkey	J Macri				COUNTING TEAM 10		
E Frauenfelder	A Vartuli	A-M Dimasi				BRIAN GROGAN 50212099		
M Roper	N Zudetich			IRYMPLE ROSTER				
S Tisler	S Visona			READER	SPECIAL MINISTER			
				Pat Riordan	Denise Knight			

NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST			MUSIC			READERS		
5 th June			5 th June			5 th June		
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
K Girke	B Bunting	M Conte	M Sullivan	Italian Choir	M Guthrie	R Byrnes	R Collins	C Carmichael
S Girke	M Haynes	C Carmichael	Jacinta/Fiona					
T McNamara	L Belej	M Towns						
M Henderson	N Leonardis	K Towns				COUNTING TEAM 1		
K Groves	M Speed	W Finn				GERRY LAVERY 50211918		
L Kearney	U Williams			IRYMPLE ROSTER				
L Crowe	E Garreffa			READER	SPECIAL MINISTER			
				Marty Smith	Wendy Smith			