



## SACRED HEART PARISH , MILDURA

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### PARISH PASTORAL TEAM:

Fr Tom Brophy, Fr John Monaghan, Sr Helen Murphy  
 Mrs Mary Gobbo & Mrs Helen Findlay

**Weekend Mass Times: Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 8.00am, 10.00am, 5.00pm and Irymple 8.30am.**  
**Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 11.00am or by appointment.**

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ July 30, 2006 Year B

### THIS WEEK:

**First Reading:** 2 Kgs. 4: 42-44  
**Ps. 144 The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.**  
**Second Reading:** Eph. 4: 1-6  
**Gospel:** Jn 6: 1-15



### NEXT WEEK:

**First Reading:** Dn. 7: 9-10, 13-14  
**Ps 96 The Lord is King, the most high over all the earth**  
**Second Reading:** 2 Pt. 1: 16-19  
**Gospel:** Mk 9: 2-10

### Deaths

Colin Curran, Pasquale (Pat) Vartuli

### Anniversaries

Donato Di Toro 10.00 a.m. Sun  
 Bonifacio & Cerila Valenzuela “  
 Dominico & Filomena Zappia “  
 Francesca Zappia “

### Note to Families requesting special Masses:

Please let the 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: Thur 2/177 12<sup>th</sup> Street, 10.30 a.m  
 Devotional Prayer and Exposition: Fri 3.00 p.m.

### Weekday Mass Times

If there is a Requiem Mass on Tues/Wed/Fri  
 the advertised Mass will be cancelled

Mon:	Pat Vartuli Funeral Mass	2.00 p.m.
Tues:	Anointing Mass	2.00 p.m.
Wed:		9.10 a.m.
Thurs:	No Mass	-
Fri:		5.40 p.m.
Sat:	In the Hillman Room	10.00 a.m.

### We pray for the sick

Denis Donnellon, Pat Donnellon, Alice Novak,  
 Betty Stirrat, Giuseppe Demaria, Sandy Young,  
 Mary-Ruth Swenson, Nancy Stewart.

### What's on this week?

#### SUNDAY (TODAY)

Commissioning of our ministers of the Eucharist at all Masses this weekend.

**TUESDAY** Mass of Anointing – 2.00 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

**Social Justice Group** 6.30pm in Fleming Room.

#### FRIDAY

**Passionist Family-- Rocca Group** To meet 7pm at Denise & Gerry Lavery's, 6 Wanera Way, for a Casserole/Footy Night, or just sit around and talk if not into watching footy. Please bring a small casserole and drinks. For more details or to advise if coming, please ring Denise 50211918 or Jean 50237561. All welcome.

### What's coming up?

#### MARIAN DEVOTION IN AUGUST



Our parishioners of India and Sri Lankan origin are planning to honour Our Lady on **Sunday, August 13 during 10.00 a.m. Mass.** The culture of these countries and the expression of their Catholicity will be evident in the liturgy. We invite all parishioners to join with us for Mass and to remain for Indian and

Sri Lankan refreshments after Mass. Donations of flowers would be appreciated. If you can help, or for further details, please contact Paul Reddy - 5021 4716.

**IRYMPLE MARKET** – the next Market will be held on Sunday, August 6 and will consist of produce and craft. Donations will be accepted on the day.

# R.C.I.A.

## Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

The RCIA names the process by which individuals who wish to become members of the Catholic Church, embrace a journey of spiritual and personal formation. In our parish, this process belongs to us, the parishioners of Sacred Heart. The parish RCIA Team picks up this responsibility on our behalf. With our interest and support, it initiates the process, and walks the journey with the candidates.

This process is about to begin again in the area and our prayers and active participation are once more needed. Two evenings have been planned where people are invited in to hear information on the Catholic Church. These will be held in the Hillman Room on **Wednesday 16 and Thursday 17 August**, and our friends, colleagues, spouses, and neighbours are invited to come to one or the other – with no commitment. The evening lasts about an hour, and at the end, people are invited to participate in the next stage, a four week Inquiry Stage that commences **August 31**.

**There are green or gold invitations at the church doors. We are invited to take a few, imagine who may read them and pass them on. This is yet another way of spreading the Good News.**

### Other Notices

#### FIRST EUCHARIST

We are invited to pick up a gold prayer card, and keep the child named on it in your prayers over the next four weeks of preparation for First Eucharist.

#### PASTORAL ASSOCIATE ---

#### SACRED HEART PARISH, MILDURA

A part time position commencing Oct/Nov 2006 for Parish Pastoral Team member co-ordinating RCIA, Sacramental Programmes, R E in Ministry Schools, and formation of Liturgical leaders. Details and role description available from parish office 5021 2872 or [sacredht@ncable.com.au](mailto:sacredht@ncable.com.au).

Applications to Fr. Tom by 14 August, 2006.

**Applications are invited for the position of:**

#### DIOCESAN COORDINATOR OF WORLD YOUTH DAY 2008

To serve the Bishop in his ministry to youth and young adults in the Ballarat Diocese. Full time until end of 2008. Salary package in accord with qualifications and experience. Catholic Education staff may be able to arrange secondment from their present position. Applications close 11<sup>th</sup> August. Further information from Sr. Anne McMillan 5337 7179 [annemc@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:annemc@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

**CARITAS AUSTRALIA** is needing money to assist victims of the current Middle East Crisis. Donations can be made via phone 1800 024 412 or [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au) or post cheques or money orders to GPO Box 9830 in your capital city.

#### CHILDREN'S MASS BOOKS

Suitable for children preparing for First Eucharist available from the church kiosk for \$5.50 each.

### 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.

### Scripture Notes

The Gospel readings of this and the next four Sundays come from Chapter 6 of St. John's Gospel. The miracle described in the First Reading shows God's concern during a time of famine. This bread was the bread of the first fruits, which was meant to be offered to God. But instead of offering it to God, Elisha, the prophet of the old covenant, gave it to the people. The leftovers stress God's generosity. Like Elisha, Jesus, the prophet of the new covenant, feeds hungry people, and does so even more astonishingly. There are clear Eucharistic overtones in the way the miracle is related. Jesus '*took* the loaves, *gave thanks*, and *distributed* them to the people'. Such language is meant to remind us of what he did at the Last Supper, and of what happens every time we celebrate the Eucharist. Even though both feedings are miraculous there is an essential human element in each, without which no miracle is possible.

### Last Week's Collections

**Presbytery \$1,206.00    Parish \$2,637.08**

### ROSTER

W/end Aug 5/6	6.00 p.m.	8.00 a.m.	10.00 a.m.	5.00 p.m.
<b>Readers</b>	T. Swincer	R. Collins	M. Jackson	T. Finn
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>M. Sheahan</b> M. Meredith V. Kidd J. Hall M. Roper S. Tisler L. Roden	<b>M. Scopacasa</b> G. Scopacasa B. Weightman B. Dolence M. Flinn G. Rogers M. Mazza	<b>I. Barbary</b> R. Barbary P. Taggart T. McNamara R. Byra M. Grivec F. Caldarelli C. Carmichael	<b>J. Ribarits</b> S. Walker A. Welsh J. Rocca P. Rocca A. Ryan
<b>Counting Team</b>	Team 9 – Captain George Dolence – 5023 7993			