



Sacred Heart Parish, North Albury, pays respect to the Wiradjuri people, the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather to celebrate our faith and worship God. We acknowledge with respect elders past, present and emerging.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

13th / 14th August 2022

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Mass Times

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6.00 pm

SUNDAY: 9.30 am

WEEKDAY MASSES: This Week:

Monday (Feast of Assumption) 9.30am

Wednesday & Friday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 5.15 PM-5.45 PM

BAPTISMS—By appointment.



Congratulations to all those candidates being confirmed over these days

Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent. Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them.

We pray that you send your Spirit to enlighten, guide, strengthen, console, and open their hearts as they continue to seek a closer relationship with you.

Help them to truly know the deep and abiding love you have for each of them and fill them with the joy of your presence

Increase in them the fruit of your Spirit. Help them to experience and trust your dwelling within, so that they may count on your guidance today and every day. Show us all the way to help one another become better disciples of Jesus Christ, sharing your love with our world and with each person we encounter. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



Parish Community



We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Ezekiel Carney, Pam Stone, Terence Clancy, Patricia Grimes, Bill Mathey, Lynette McInnes, Peter Donkers, Hermine Assigal, Pat Gleeson, Justin Crawford.

ANNIVERSARIES: Bruce Duck, Julie Morey, Bernie Cudmore, Ada McDonnell, Nan Doughty, Chris Maclean, Marie Hickey, Dorothy Thompson, Bernard Stout, Maria Douba, Joan Carthew, Jeffrey Amy, Mary Mullavey, Carmel Onley, Daniel Chandler, John Samuelson, Laura Grabbatz, David Crowe, Sean Ryan, Rita Bognell, Jack Ryan, Thomas Ryan, Jean Bailey, George Palmer, Clare Matthews, Pat Deveney.

Gather our loved ones into your arms. Quiet our doubt and anger and send us your healing grace. Through Christ our Lord.

Prayer for the Sick

We pray for all those who are sick. May they draw strength and healing from God's presence with them and from our prayers and thoughts for them. May they have peace in their hearts and know they are greatly loved by all.

We offer our prayers believing that God's presence and power can do more than we can ever know. Amen

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 13th / 14th August

Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator	Kellie Gordes	Gavin Dykes
Lector 1	Paula Waters	Lorraine Willis
Lector 2	Justin Clancy	Roy Thompson
Eucharistic Ministers	Jeneice Harding Michael Regan	Fran Kernaghan Narelle Naughton
Cantor	Brian Waters	Bob Mathews/Mary Buckley
Musicians	Judy Foley	Val Hayes
Counters: Carey Menz-Dowling & John Dowling (Sunday)		

Sat / Sun: 20th / 21st August

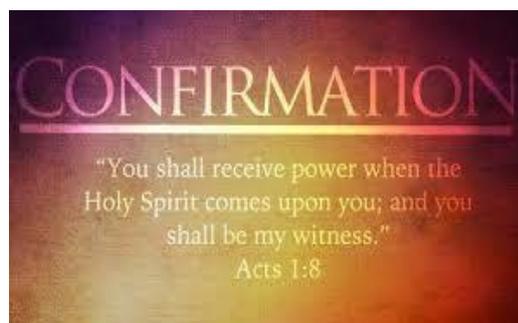
Ministry	Vigil	9.30am
Commentator	Xavier Youth Mass	Bede Hart
Lector 1		Susan McLauren
Lector 2		Liz Phegan
Eucharistic Ministers	Colleen Day Patricia Hopkins	Susan McLauren Diane Treacy
Cantor	Xavier Youth Mass	Simon Goss
Musicians		Val Hayes
Counters: Gordon Byrant & Laurie Moylan (Monday)		

Prayer for Confirmation Candidates

May the candidates who were confirmed in our Parish last Friday come to know you, the one true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. May your Holy Spirit help them to grow in faith, hope, and love, so they may know peace, truth, and goodness. May they show forth the gifts of the Holy Spirit in their lives. May their ears hear your voice. May their eyes see your presence in all things. May their lips proclaim your word. May their hearts be your dwelling place. May their hands do works of charity. May their feet walk in the way of Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord. Amen.

Thought for the Week (Pope Francis):

"The Holy Spirit is a great worker, not a 'trade unionist.' He is a great worker, and He works in us, always. He does this work of explaining the mystery of Jesus, and of giving us this sense of Christ."



Parish News

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation lay the foundation for every Christian life and together are known as the sacraments of Christian Initiation. This weekend in our parish community many of our young people will renew the promises made for them in baptism.

Confirmation emphasises that we live out our baptismal commitment under the power of God's gift of the Holy Spirit. The outpouring of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation creates for us a Pentecost event which transforms us just as it transformed the lives of the apostles. Like them, the newly confirmed are called into the unity of the church and a participation in its mission & ministry.

Before the laying on of hands we pray together that God's Holy Spirit will come upon the candidates to be their helper and guide; that they will be given a spirit of wisdom, understanding, right judgement, courage, knowledge, reverence, wonder and awe. Through anointing with the oil of chrism these gifts are sealed and imprinted into the fabric of their lives.

May the grace of the Holy Spirit strengthen these young people, their parents, sponsors and families and our whole parish community to be living witnesses of the good news of Jesus Christ in our world.

Special thanks to all those involved in the preparation of these children for the reception of the sacrament of Confirmation - Chris Lewis, Marg Jessup, Bianca Jones.

Gratitude is extended to Bede Hart, our Principal at St Anne's who by his boundless energy and personal witness continues to illustrate the importance of leadership in faith. Finally, Cassandra Jones our Religious Education Co-ordinator receives the gold medal not only for her creative imagination and organisational skills but for her passion for enabling and encouraging children to discover and discern the movement of God's spirit in their lives.

We congratulate those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation or a special blessing invoking God's Holy Spirit.

Matthew Adams
Zoe Andrews
Lincoln Barrett
Alexandrah Bodycott
Annabel Bosch
Oenone Carters
Xavier Clancy
Phoebe Dight
Layla Doubleday
Zack Emmett
Isaac Finlayson
Poppy Fruean
Bart Fuller
Zoe Gardiner
Claudia Gibson
Scarlett Glynn
Spencer Guthrie
Summer Hartley
Isaac Holloway
Jude Cremer
Evie Edwards
Ruby Edwards

Jai House
Isaac Hughes
Otis Jaenke
Emme Kean
Harper Kelly
Lara Klepiak
Muireann Kilroy
Tyson Makeham
Charlie Maskell
Alexis Morey
Isabelle Muntz
Ivy Nixon
Sophie Petrovic
Chace Rosser
Riley Scott-Young
Eric Spiers
Georgia Ward
Maison Ward
Alexandra Wilson
Stella Mumberson
Emily Ross
Charli Wright

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS—DATE FOR DIARY

At our meeting on Thursday night 21 July it was decided to hold this year's Annual General Meeting on Thursday 1 September at 6.00pm in Sacred Heart Hall.

At this gathering Ed Brown will give a short reflection on his experience as a delegate at the Plenary Council and how the outcomes of the Plenary deliberations might be implemented. Please make this date in your diary and come along as a valued member of our parish community.

CONGRATULATIONS, Margaret Menz

We congratulate Margaret Menz who turns 90 years young on 14 August.

Margaret and her husband Brian who died in 2004 were married at St Mary's, The Rock on 28 February 1953.

They have 8 children, 22 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

We thank Margaret for her enduring faith and for the commitment of service to the parish communities in which she has lived. We wish her good health and God's many blessings for the journey ahead.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy is this Sunday 14 August during the celebration of 9.30am Eucharist. Children's Liturgy occurs on the second and fourth Sundays of the month during school terms.

If you are interested in helping out with the supervision of children or the teaching involved please contact Genn Hamam Email: genwhelton@hotmail.com

FOOTY COMPETITION LADDER AS OF ROUND 21

130—Naughton Family; **126**—Kay Locke, Cathy Nyhan; **125**—Val Hayes, Fran Kernaghan, John O'Keefe, Bede Hart **124**—Val Azzi, Joseph Kipper; **123**—Brian Butts, Kansas Michael; **121**—Pat & Dawn Gleeson, Les Murray, Peter Treacy, Chrissie Treblicock.

XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MASS

Our staff and students of Xavier High School will lead our liturgy at our celebration of 6.00pm Eucharist next Saturday 20 August.

Pizza to be shared afterwards in our parish hall.

This term's school mass will be celebrated in the newly completed Xavier Centre this Friday 19 August at 12.30pm.

The theme in light of the recent feasts of Mary Mackillop and the Assumption is Voices of Challenge / Change. Some of the female staff and students will lead our reflection on the readings.

All welcome to attend. Entrance via Fallon Street Office.

PLANNED GIVING

Thank you for your ongoing support to our parish Planned Giving, and as the new financial year begins the parish is reliant on your generous monetary contributions to meet its financial commitments and to engage in pastoral activities.

We have a donation Point Tap at the back of the Church or you can directly deposit into the Church account or use Planned Giving Envelopes. Phone office for enquiries.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Prophet Jeremiah

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud and into the mud sank Jeremiah. Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him in to the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and ul the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 39

(When the Psalm is sung, the words will vary slightly but the meaning remains the same.)

Response: Lord, come to my aid!

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry. **R**

He drew me from the deadly pit,
from the miry clay.
He set my feet upon a rock
and made my footsteps firm. **R**

He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God.
Many shall see and fear
and shall trust in the Lord. **R**

As for me, wretched and poor,
the Lord thinks of me.
You are my rescuer, my help,
O God, do not delay. **R**

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shameful of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.
Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 12: 49-53

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive and how great is my distress till it is over! Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

The Gospel of the Lord.