



St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

Beulah - Dimboola - Hopetoun - Horsham - Kaniva - Minyip - Murtoa -
Natimuk - Nhill - Rainbow - Rupanyup - Warracknabeal

BULLETIN

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B - 1st August 2021



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Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus,
I believe that you are present in the
most Blessed Sacrament.
I love you above all things, and I
desire to receive you into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally, come
at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if you were
already there and unite myself
wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated
from you. Amen.
- St. Alphonsus Liguori

St Mary's Ladies Club

Annual Meeting will be held on
Tuesday 3rd August; 2pm at the
foyer of St Mary's Church
Warracknabeal. All welcome.

In-person attendance for all Weekday & Weekend Masses in our Parish are welcome; provided that the number of attending worshippers does not exceed 100.

Entry into the Horsham Church will be via the front doors only for both 6.30pm Saturday & 10.30am Sunday Masses - to help ensure we do not exceed the '100 people' limit.

The 10.30am Sunday Mass in Horsham will be livestreamed for all with online access, on our Eucharistic Facebook group page—which you can join at:
<https://bit.ly/3eYADvV>



We thank you all for your patience, kindness and cooperation; especially in these rapidly changing times.

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As per the easing of restrictions on the 28th July 2021:

- ⇒ We are now allowed up to 100 people gathering indoors for Religious Ceremonies such as Parish Mass.
- ⇒ For Funerals and Weddings we will be allowed up to 50 people, excluding the ministers required for the service.
- ⇒ Please wear a mask, practice safe hygiene, sign-in and maintain a 1.5m physical distance from others, as much as possible, both indoors & outdoors.

Visit from our Plenary delegate at Horsham THIS WEEKEND.



We warmly welcome Marie Shaddock, one of our two Diocesan delegates for the approaching Plenary, who will be at the **6:30pm Saturday and 10:30am Sunday Masses in Horsham.**

For any queries, concerns, or comments about the Plenary; want to know what is going on, or just want to say "Hi!" please feel free stay back after either Weekend Masses at Horsham Church.

Funeral Mass for Noreen O'Connor— August 2, 11am @ Horsham Church
Rosary at 6.30pm on Sunday 1 Aug. which will be open for attendances of up to 100 people (Religious Service) at Horsham SMJ Church.

The Funeral Mass on August 2, will be invitation only: due to limited gathering numbers. However, all are welcome to watch the **online livestreaming at:**
<https://fb.me/e/N0rURxSK>

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday 2 August	9.00am	Warracknabeal
Tuesday 3 August - St Dominic	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Wednesday 4 August - St John Vianney	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Thursday 5 August	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Friday 6 August - Transfiguration of the Lord	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Saturday 7 August	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham

ROSTERS

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Warracknabeal) —2021 LITURGY ROSTER

Date & Time	Time	Readers	Prayers	Offertory	Collectors	Special Ministers
July 31st Sat	6.30pm	K Downes	F Casey	L Gibson/K Moloney	T Evans & L Casey	B Evans & M Muller
July 8th Sun	8.30am	M Walder	J McFarlane	M & J Lardner	B Bentley & L Downes	J McFarlane & M Lardner

HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER

31 Jul/1 Aug	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday
Eucharistic Ministers	Anthony Amor Pat Glaubitz Simon Lynch	Timothy Lannen Karen Hill Bob Pritchett
Reader	Emelia Sudholz	Louise Kemp
Commentator	(please volunteer)	Andrea Cox
7/8 Aug.	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
Reader	Micky Robarts	Bob Pritchett
Commentator	Anthony Amor	Louise Kemp
Eucharistic Ministers	Bob Hayes John Parker Maree Plazzer	Zita Cannane Andrea Cox Kingsley Dalgleish
Projector	Anita Masiero	Robert Sartori
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Men's Choir
Welcomers	Judy Bryan Pat Williams	Mary Dalgleish Alistair Castle
Prayers	Mary Dalgleish & Anita Masiero	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	8th August Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn Maureen McInerney	15th August Zita Cannane Lorraine Clancy Veronica Barker

NHILL LITURGY ROSTER

	<u>August 1st</u> LLA at 10am	<u>August 8th</u> LLA at 10am
Reader & Prayers	C Kennedy	D Munro
Lay Leaders	D Munro	I Dart
Eucharistic Minister	N Grayling	C Kennedy
Offertory	-	-
Monthly Collector	J Millington	J Millington
Counter	E Cameron	J Millington
Cleaning	M Millington	M Millington

HOPETOUN CHURCH ROSTER

	<u>August 1:</u> 9am Mass	<u>August 8:</u> 9am LLA
Readers	Horman Family	Marshman Family
Offertory/ Lay-led		Joan Bellinger & Marilyn Clancy
Ministers	-	Cynthia Maiden

MASSES, PRAYERS & REPORTS

MASS TIMES NEXT WEEK

2nd Weekend of the Month:

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am
 Dimboola: Sunday 8.30am
 Beulah: Saturday 6pm (Winter season)
 Warracknabeal: Sunday 8.30am
 Minyip: Sunday 10am
 Murtoa: Sunday LLA 9am
 Hopetoun: Sunday LLA 9am
 Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am
 Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

Please note:
 any upcoming changes
 in Victorian COVID-19
 restrictions will apply.

OTHER MASSES:

Natimuk: 24th August, 6.30pm @ the home of Mark & Elaine Uebergang (1 Mitchell Street, Natimuk). Please RSVP with Elaine at 0428 871 227.

Rupanyup: Next date and location to be decided...

NOTICES FOR BULLETINS:

Please submit any upcoming notices to the Parish Office by **Thursday**. Thank you.

Pope's universal prayer for August - the Church:

"Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel."

Child Safety Standards: (Ss Michael & John Horsham)

Bob Pritchett and Jill McGinnisken are our Safeguarding Officers. We have a **Child Safety Policy** to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children in our care. A **Code of Conduct** has also been adopted for all who work with children and vulnerable adults in the Parish. *Our Parish seeks to always be a child safe Parish.*

PRAYER FOR THE SICK AND CARERS:

Compassionate and ever-loving God, You are the source and creator of all healing power. We entrust our sick to your loving care. We pray your blessings upon all in their own homes, in hospitals, nursing homes, hospice care, palliative care. May You be their source of comfort in pain, of hope in times of despair, woundedness or sorrow, their solace and inspiration when they are unable to lift their hearts, minds and voices to You in prayer. Bless them with courage and faith to place their trust in your healing touch and love. Bless caregivers, as channels of your love, they are your hands on earth. Give them gentleness as they help the sick, give them respect for their dignity and value to You. Give carers and helpers patience and courage as they manage their time, to best serve those who are needful of their care, to continue to serve when weakened by constant demands and when they need your enduring help. Give them love and understanding to be a caring companion, on the path of pain and sadness with the sick. Bless the ministry of those who take Holy Communion to the elderly or sick, in Homes or in Hospital.

SCHOOLS & PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: Betty O'Connor (Geelong), Lorna Wilde, Noreen O'Connor

ANNIVERSARIES: Desmond O'Callaghan, Lou Sartori, Toni Besselar, Mac Honeyman, Kath Byrne, Jack & Joan Coffey, Bill Harrison

SICK: Ken Dowsley, Des Gaynor, Heather McPhee, Shilpa Joe, Joan Glen, Elsie Thomas, Kobe Davidson, Mary Thompson, Bob Atkins, Moira Kelly snr, Leo Bourke, Jill & Christie Higginbottom, Tom & Margaret Murphy, John Hickey, Pat Hateley, Lou White, Patricia Simpson, Helen Polack, Peter Rowe, Sam McCulloch, Noreen Voigt, Laurie Grayling, Brett Cox, Ted Haynes, Margaret Lawson, Olive Wellington,

ANointing: On request to Fr Jim McKay or Mons. Glynn Murphy, or please call the Parish Office (please see front page for contact details).

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM:

Morning Craft Group:

Mondays @ Parish Office Meeting Room, 9.30-11.30am.

Meditation Group:

Tuesdays 2pm in the Church Meeting Room.

Choir Practice:

6pm, 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast: (next meet: 19 August)

7.30-8.30am, 3rd Thursday of each month @ the Parish Hall.

Ecumenical-Charismatic Prayer Group:

1.30-3.30pm, Wednesdays fortnightly @ Parish office meeting room

Stations of the Cross:

Fridays, 10.30am at the Church with Fr Jim McKay.

Saturday Morning Devotions:

8.30am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
8.50am - Rosary and prayers of the Church,
9.30am Saturday Morning Mass

Note: COVID restrictions, Public Holidays, Seasons and times where the Priest/Coordinator is away cancels the event.

Fan the Flame: Journey towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021.

Grace moves God's people to ask questions grounded in the call we received at Baptism: How do we better nourish, accompany, give witness, support, invite, welcome, engage and be present to others, such that we all grow in holiness? Read more at: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheffame/



Our Parish Finance:

For all wishing to support either our Parish or Clergy electronically (via Direct Debit); please feel free to do so with the account details below:

St Paul VI Parish Account -

Acc. No.: 515830337, BSB: 083 680

St Paul VI Presbytery (Clergy support) Account -

Acc. No.: 515830345, BSB: 083 680

Under "Reference" please write "donation" or "planned-giving" (for Parish account only - if you have an envelope number). Normal contributions through Sunday Collections or dropping in to the office are also welcome.

All amounts are an active support to our faith community and are greatly & equally appreciated.

Making Connections: What must you do; to do the works that God wants? Make time each day this week to reflect on the real nourishment you yearn for. What sustains your life?

Living the Word: What feeds our bodies is transitory; what feeds our souls is that which is our real sustenance. Pray for each other in your search for 'the food that endures to eternal life'.

Daily Prayer: O God, whose gift to our ancestors was manna in the wilderness, we believe in the One whom you have sent, on whom you have set your seal. Nourish us on the bread of Christ's teaching & clothe us in your likeness. May we live a life worthy of our calling to bear witness to God.

Vocational View: "I am the Bread of Life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst." "Lord, send us priests after your own heart to give us the Food of everlasting life - Your very Self in the Eucharist." Consider a call to the priesthood of Jesus Christ.

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Got Bread? (GPBS Weekly Parables):

Being hungry is not a virtue. If it were, the poor would all be holy, and the rich would all be evil. But that's obviously not true. The state of our hearts can't be measured by the size of our wallets. But the condition of our hearts CAN be measured by our willingness to share what we have. When we seek to alleviate the distress of those in need, we do two things right. We lift someone locked down by hunger so that he or she might rise to a greater and fuller life. And we also expand our hearts through the practice of generosity so that we might experience "the food that endures for eternal life". It's a win-win situation. For as long as we work only for the food that perishes and hoard that for ourselves, we prolong the misery of the world and will not know the joy that belongs to those whose hearts are free to give.

When have you been the recipient of someone's generosity in sharing time, warmth, or food with you? How can you share those things with those in need, near or far ?



Australian Catholic Men's Gathering 2021

The National Catholic Men's Gathering aims to inspire and encourage all men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish/diocese and the world. The **online program** is being offered as a free event for registered participants, and will focus on this Year of St Joseph - all available from July 31. To read about this year's speakers go to <https://www.nce.catholic.org.au/catholicmen>

National Mass to mark Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Children's Day – August 4, 2021

Aboriginal Catholic Ministry are planning a live broadcast of a national Mass to mark National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Children's Day on August 4, 2021, 12noon, Themed: "Proud in Culture - Strong in Spirit". For more information contact Sherry Balcombe, ph. 0439 780 899 or email Sherry.balcombe@cam.org.au.

Message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:

In remote and non-Christian areas, faith is often nurtured via faith-based TV and radio programs. For over thirty years ACN has supported the Catholic Radio and Television Network which provides programming to networks in developing countries which do not have the means to buy or produce Catholic content. These programs are seen and heard by about 36 million people worldwide every day. Visit www.aidtochurch.org/media to support the cause.

First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our heart's content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!' Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them in this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.' 'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your heart's content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God."' And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 77:3-4, 23-25, 54

R.) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

The things we have heard and understood, the things our fathers have told us, we will tell to the next generation: the glories of the Lord and his might.

He commanded the clouds above and opened the gates of heaven. He rained down manna for their food, and gave them bread from heaven.

Mere men ate the bread of angels. He sent them abundance of food. He brought them to his holy land, to the mountain which his right hand had won.

R.) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 4:4

Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 6:24-35

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus answered: 'I tell you solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' 'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

Gospel Reflection from Loyola Press: (18th Ordinary)

This Sunday we continue to read from the sixth chapter of John's Gospel, but not continuously. Our Lectionary omits John's report of Jesus' walking on water. This event is reported much less dramatically in John's Gospel than in the Synoptic Gospels. After the feeding of the multitudes, the disciples leave in a boat and Jesus follows them. The disciples are said to be terrified by what they see. Jesus reassures them and rejoins them. In today's Gospel, we learn that the crowd has noticed the departure of Jesus and his disciples and so seeks them out in Capernaum. In the dialogue that follows between Jesus and the crowds, Jesus unfolds for us the gift of himself that he gives in the Eucharist. In today's Gospel, there are four exchanges between Jesus and the crowd. In the first, the crowd, having followed Jesus to Capernaum, asks a very matter of fact question: "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus replies by naming their motivation in pursuing him. They have been fed. Jesus acknowledges this, yet challenges them to see beyond the fulfillment of their material needs. The crowds have followed Jesus because they have been fed. They ought to be seeking out Jesus because he can give them eternal life. As the second dialogue begins, it seems that the crowd might be on their way to accepting Jesus and his mission. They ask: "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?"

Jesus replies that they must have faith in the one sent from God. But in the third dialogue, the crowd reveals their inability to see Jesus' true identity. They ask Jesus for a sign so that they might know that Jesus is from God. How strange this sounds since Jesus has just fed more than 5000 people. What more is expected? But the crowd cannot see beyond the surface of the sign. They show this in their interpretation of the sign that came from Moses. In their description, they identify Jesus with Moses, as if to say, as Moses gave the people manna in the desert, give us a sign so that we will know that you are from God. They are looking to identify a prophet without realizing that God is standing before them. Jesus corrects their misinterpretation, saying that the manna received by their ancestors came from God. As God fulfilled their ancestors' needs in the desert, so God has provided them with food for eternal life. In the bread that they have received from Jesus, they have received physical nourishment and also spiritual nourishment. Jesus wants the crowd to see beyond the surface to the One who provides true nourishment. The conclusion of the dialogue reveals the crowd's blindness. They ask for what Jesus has just told them they have found: "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus answers plainly that he himself is the Bread of Life they seek. Jesus himself is the Bread of Life who will satisfy every hunger and thirst.

St Vincent de Paul Conference:
interviews for people needing assistance.

Please call 5381 2371,

leave your name and phone number, and your call will be returned as soon as possible with an appointment. COVID restrictions apply.

St Vinnies - Winter Appeal 2021:

Donations of clean quality goods & clothing (e.g.

Blankets, etc.) are needed. **Monetary donations**

may be handed in at SMJ Horsham Church's

Piety Store; via e-mail: hsm@svdp.vic.org.au;

or their website: <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal>.

