

Ss Michael & John's Parish

Horsham - Dimboola - Murtoa - Natimuk - Rupanyup

BULLETIN

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 3rd July 2016





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Our Lady Help of Christians

We welcome Fr John for our Masses this weekend.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting this Wednesday July 6th at 5pm.

We keep Fr Neville Stanislaus from Warracknabeal, and his family, in our prayers. Neville is at home in Toronto. Canada, where his mother is dying.

- * We pray for the good outcome for our Country from the Election.
- * We pray for America on their July 4th Independence Day

Today, Sunday July 3rd, is the Feast of St Thomas, Apostle. It is the Patronal Feastday of our Indian families. We pray with them

and for them, and thank God for their wonderful faith and presence among us.

Next Sunday July 10th we will honour them at 10.30am Mass. They will share Morning Tea with us with their traditional biscuits and food.

Parish Planned Giving Program

Our Program Year runs from November to November.

The Finance Committee will meet in July and prepare a November to June Programme report for the Parish. Thank you for your giving.

Fr Damien Heath 60th Jubilee of **Ordination**

Our Parish will celebrate with Fr Damien on Sunday July 17th at 10.30am Mass. and then with a sit down Dinner in the Parish Centre at 12noon.

The Dinner will be soup, meats and salads, and slices.

If you can donate soup, cakes or slices, please indicate this on the sheet in the Fover, or let Anita know at the Parish Office 53821155.

If you can attend the dinner please sign the sheet in the Foyer

PRAYER for SICK and CARERS

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



We welcome to the Family of God in Baptism

Saturday:

Penelope & Harper Oakley, daughters of Marcus & Jessica.

Sunday:

Lincoln Roy James Gladz, Son of Dennis & Lisa

Today Sunday July 3rd begins NAIDOC WEEK with its theme: Let the earth cry out to God with joy and compassion for all. Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Week

WEEK-DAY MASSES:

Tuesday 5th July 5.30pm Wednesday 6th July 9.30am St Maria Goretti Thursday 7th July 9.30am Andree Coutts 1st anniv. Friday 8th July 9.30am Frank & John Panozzo. Saturday 9th July 10.00am Kevin Sharry death

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God, my creator, breathe on me, renew me, refresh me, extend my abilities, comfort me in adjusting to changes in health, mobility and activity. Body of Jesus Christ flow through every fibre of my being. Keep me well, and hope filled, always. Holy Spirit use me in my situation, for the good of others. Amen

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT: Kevin Sharry (WA)-brother of John Sharry & Pat Craig. Nola Clyne (mother of Katrina Liston), Fr Mick Fitzpatrick (Melbourne)

ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret Keegan, Val Merrett, Liam Scott, Andree Coutts, Laurence Tobin, Brian Butler

SICK: Kobe Davidson, Ruby Spasic, Bill Kennedy, Peter Kelly Corey Panozzo, Brian Rice, Susan Finnigan, Helen Brennan, Madeleine Cameron, John Coleman, Carmela Baviello, Peter Laskey, Lyn Cooper, Joy Flynn, Teresa White, Jill & Christie Higgenbottom, Roma Magee, Fred Webb, Frances Mitchell, Judy Francisco, Jack Slattery

Emergency Care: Contact Betty 53826688

Confessions Saturday after Mass (10.25)

Saturday Morning Devotions:
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9 to 9.20
Rosary 9.20. Prayer of the Church. 10am Mass

Next Sunday 2nd Sunday of the Month 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 10th July 2016

Horsham Saturday - 6.30pm Sunday - 10.30am

Dimboola Sunday Mass 8.30am

Murtoa Sunday Mass 10.30am

Rosary, Litany of Mary & Divine Mercy Chaplet HORSHAM Wednesdays at 4.30pm. All welcome.

Regular Activities in the Parish

Mother's Prayer Group Fortnightly Every Wednesday 2.00pm Church Meeting Room Contact Marina 5382 1047

Craft Group Every Monday - Parish Meeting Room Mornings - 9.30am to 11.30am. Evening - 7pm to 9pm. BYO Craft - Gold Coin Donation. Contact Anita in the Office

Meditation Group Church Meeting Room Tuesdays 2.00pm. Contact Sr Jacinta 0414 337 807

CWL Meetings 1st Tuesday of Month 1.30pm in Meeting Room.

Men's Group Meet 3rd Thursday of the month, breakfast 7.30am-8.30, Parish Centre. Contact Patrick 0428 847 455

St Vincent de Paul Conference. Meets twice monthly. Available Monday & Friday 11am-12pm, for assistance. Phone 5381 2371

BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENINGS. NO PROGRAM UNTIL AUGUST. Baptism inquires still are made to the Parish Office 53821155, and date confirmed with Fr Peter

Piety Stall in the Church has gifts for Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, cards, medals etc., lovely Peru crosses.

CHOIR PRACTICE 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6pm.

God bless and protect our CFA Volunteers in Victoria

We are not called to be like other Christians, we are called to be like Christ.

Free counselling, support offered by Centacare Ballarat for families, individuals affected by the drought and other issues. Free call 1300 303 988 to make an appointment. Centacare can visit your home; they use our Parish Interview Room. Totally confidential, there is Government money available, so don't hesitate to ring this number, times arranged to suit you and your needs. Support open to all.

RUSTERS		
July 2/3	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Rosie Taylor Sr Jacinta Rice Peter Gutteridge Joan Parker Ann Hermans Cathy Taylor Pat Glaubitz	Karen Hill Kingsley Dalgleish Shirley Hoffmann Judy Reid Andrea Cox Faye Wills Cate Rigby
July 9/10	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
Readers	Garry Heinrich	Mary Marshall
Commentator	Geordie Butler	Michael Connellan
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Bob Hayes Bernadette Trounce Simon Lynch Maree Plazzer Maureen Ervin John Parker Marie McMillan	Russell Reid Mary Marshall Tim Lannen Mary Dalgleish Zita Cannane Alison McKinnon Anna Robertson
Projector	Peter Gutteridge	Shayne Keenan
Musicians	Embedded	Men's Choir
Welcomers	Judie & Hugh Delahunty	Nanette Freckleton Denise Vallance
Prayers	Alison McKinnon & Anna Robertson	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	10th July Lynda Hutchinson Silvanna Foster Helene Bush Mary Ward	17th July Josie Phelan Claire Irwin Joan Butler Mary Dowsley
FINANCE: 1st Collection - Plate (Presbytery Acct)		
Natimuk	\$ 43.00	Murtoa \$ 71.00
Horsham	\$ 899.00	Dimboola \$88.00
	Total	\$ 1101.00

ROSTERS

2nd Collection - Green Bag (Parish Account)-Wk 33

Envelopes \$ 3383.00 Loose \$ 47.05

Credit Card \$ Direct Debit \$ 2610.00

Total \$ 6040.05

Making Connections: Offer the gift of hospitality to someone this week. Make them welcome and give something of 'the peace of Christ' to them. Reflect on how you yourself are enriched by this, as well as the recipient of your hospitality. Daily Prayer: In baptism, O God, you call us by name to make ourselves fully available to proclaim the good news of your kingdom. Give us the courage of apostles, and let the Gospel set us free that wherever life takes us and with whomever we find ourselves, our first word may always be your gift of love and peace.

Vocational View: Jesus says: "The harvest is rich, but the labourers are few; therefore, ask the harvest-master to send workers to the harvest'. Pray for Vocations.

Marriage Tip: Are you a perfectionist? It's natural to want to do a good job but don't let the perfect be the enemy of the good. If your spouse advises you to "Lighten up" it might be good counsel. Marriage and parenting are tough jobs.

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We meditate before, during, and after everything we do. The prophet says: "I will pray, and then I will understand." This is the way we can easily overcome the countless difficulties we have to face day after day, which, after all, are part of our work. In meditation we find the strength to bring Christ to birth in ourselves and in others.

Country Mass Times in June:

July 10th: Dimboola Mass 8.30. Murtoa Mass 10.30am. July 17th: Dimboola Mass **Saturday July 16th 6pm**. Murtoa Mass Sunday 8.30am.

** AWC is Assembly for Word and Communion which replaces the former title Lay Led Assembly.

ST VINNIES WINTER APPEAL 2016

RETHINK HOMELESSNESS

How Can You Help?

Make a financial donation. Envelopes available at the Piety Stall in the Narthex.



CWL Meeting this Tuesday 5th July 15 1.30pm. Jill Burgess, a Guest Speaker from the CFA coming, will talk at 2.30, on "Fire Safety in the Home". All welcome

Bishop Paul Bird has asked our Parish if we would accommodate two Baptistine Sisters from the Philippines.

The Parish Pastoral Council will meet to discuss this on Wednesday July 6th at 5pm in the Meeting Room.

Bishop Paul has invited the Sisters to come to the Diocese, and, if our Parish agrees to this, they will live here, with costs shared with the Diocese.

One of the Sisters will be employed by the Diocese and travel from here.

The other Sister will work in our Parish and also across the Wimmera Region.

Please pray for our Parish Council as we discuss this on Wednesday, with no final decision to be made, because of a number of issues to be considered.

Any input you may have will be welcomed, please see a Parish Council member:

Sr Jacinta, Mary Marshall, Peter Gutteridge, Alison McKinnon, Lesley Price, Gary Typuzak, Andrea Cox, Daryl Wren, Margaret Lingham, Fr Peter, Joan Lane-Storey, Chris Robarts (away), Gary Heinrich, Bob Pritchett.

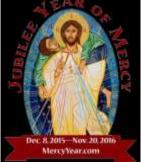


Rite of Catholic Initiation of Adults

- Would you like to know more about the Catholic Religion?
 Have you are:
 - Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic?
- Do you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic?
- Are you a Baptised Catholic, but have not received the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?
- Do you have a Catholic Partner/Children?
- Are you taking the responsibility of the faith education of your children but are not Catholic?
 If these or other questions are on your mind, you are invited to join our Inquiry in August, and then continue on the RCIA journey if you wish.

Please contact the Parish Office on 53821155 with your name, and more information will be given about dates and times.

PRAYER FOR RAIN: Thank you, Lord God, for the lovely rain.



Pope Francis' Year of Mercy Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you see Him. Show us your face and we shall be saved. Send your Spirit, and consecrate every one of us with the Spirit's anointing, so that the

Jubilee of Mercy, may be a year of grace from the Lord, and we your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor. Let your Church be your visible face in the world. We ask this of you, God of mercy and forgiveness, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy.

We pray this prayer at the end of the Intercessions





National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Coughlin Park Community Centre

The Coughlin Park Board of Management is Brendan Ryan (Chair), Roger Sordello, Glenn Carroll, Dennis Wade, Chris Ellis, Peter Gutteridge, Fr Peter, and Parishioners Mary Marshall, Jill Coutts, Cath Robertson

Bookings for the Community Centre, which can seat up to 180 people, are welcome. Bookings can only be made with the Parish Office, phone 53821155 or email

horsham@ballarat.catholic.org.au

The Parish is the only Booking Centre to book Coughlin Park

No User Group nor others can make a booking to the Calendar.

The Parish will co-ordinate the calendar with the Users of Coughlin Park - football, bowls, cricket, tennis, the Schools. User Groups have the Calendar to view.

Bookings will be confirmed once the User's Calendar is referred to, and the lease signed and the bond paid. The cost of hiring the Community Centre is \$500 plus a bond of \$500 (which is refundable). Other hiring fees are available on inquiry from the Parish Office.

"The harvest is rich," Jesus tells the seventy-two in today's Gospel, "but the workers are few." The situation is the same today. How can I help with God's harvest? Am I called into the field? Am I one who could provide food or shelter or wages to those who toil in the fields of the Lord? Do I encourage and pray for vocations?

1st Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her! That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts. For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations. At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted. At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20 Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! 'Before you all the earth shall bow: shall sing to you, sing to your name!' Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men. He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might.

Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what he did for my soul. Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me.

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2nd Reading: Galatians 6:14-18

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God. I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

Acclamation Colossians 3:15. 16 Alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12. 17-20

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off

now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.' The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are

Gospel Reflection - 14th Sunday Yr C. Sr Veronica Lawson rsm A crisis can function as the catalyst for restoring right order and relationship and for the development of new initiatives. Half a century ago, the Second Vatican Council reminded us that the Church is first and foremost the People of God and the Body of Christ, and not primarily a hierarchical institution. Religious and lay Catholics are called, by virtue of their baptism, to much more prominent roles in the life and mission of the church. Instead of bemoaning the crisis and looking for interim measures to "fill the gaps", we might look for signs of the Spirit at work in leading us into new ways of being

Church. In today's gospel, we hear that Jesus chooses "seventy others" and sends them out in pairs. Thirty-five couples or "pairs" constitute a formidable resource for the mission. They are authorized to be bringers of peace and healing, proclaimers of God's kin-dom. They are to travel light and accept the hospitality offered them. Given the presence of women in the inner circle of Jesus' followers (Luke 8:1 -3), it is likely that at least some of these pairs were married couples. A married couple, Priscilla and Aquila, are Jewish refugees who find a home in Corinth in the aftermath of Claudius' expulsion of the Jews from Rome. They are well established in Corinth as tent makers

and offer hospitality to Paul when he comes to Corinth. When Paul leaves for Syria, they accompany him as far as Ephesus, In Ephesus, Priscilla is presented as a confident woman theologian who takes the initiative in calling aside the eloquent and welleducated Jewish teacher, Apollos of Alexandria, who has an "accurate" but "incomplete" knowledge of Jesus. In our communities, there are faith-filled, talented, and courageous couples like Priscilla and Aquila, as well as countless single lay women and men, willing to commit their talents and personal resources for the sake of the mission. They need our prayer and support.

written in heaven.'

Next Week's Gospel - Luke 10:25-37

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus. 'Do this and life is yours.' But the man was anxious to justify

himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him

was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' The one who took pity on him' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same yourself.'