



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



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr. C - 16th January 2022



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We welcome back families, friends and fellow Parishioners who have been away over the holiday period.

We wish all a safe and blessed 2022.

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 <u>COVID RESTRICTIONS</u>: Face masks need to be worn at all indoor venues. There are no vaccination limits on participants, however all must sign-in upon entry to any venue for contact tracing purposes. Thank you.

Join in on our Masses online at any time by visiting our Eucharistic Facebook page : <u>https://bit.ly/3eYADvV</u>



"Looking Forward" Pastoral Planning Booklet 2021-2025 -now available to download from the Ballarat Diocesan Website <u>https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/our-diocese/looking-forward/.</u> This new edition includes data about the diocese, and insight on changes to parishes over the next few years.

Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace:

"We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain. Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instil in our hearts the courage to take con-

crete steps to achieve peace. Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarrelling into forgiveness. Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "peace", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam! Amen."

> Horsham 9.30am Masses will be resuming this coming week; Pending a negative COVID test result from Mons. Glynn.

	WEEKDAY MASSES:		
	Monday 17th January	9.00am	Warracknabeal
	Tuesday 18th January	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
	Wednesday 19th January	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
	Thursday 20th January	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
	Friday 21st January	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
	Saturday 22nd January	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham

St Vinnies Piety Store (Horsham) - Columban Calendars still available \$8 ea. 'Daily Mass Books 2022' are now also available (limited) for \$30 ea.

ROSTERS

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Warracknabeal) —2022 LITURGY ROSTER					
Date & Time	Time	Readers	Prayers	Collectors	Special Ministers
January 15th Saturday evening	6.30pm	F Casey	L. Casey	T Evans & L Casey	K Downes & B Evans
January 23rd Sunday	8.30am	P. Winsall	P Winsall	B Bentley & L Downes	M Muller & J McFarlane

HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER			
15/16 Jan.	Vigil <u>6.30pm</u>	Sunday <u>10.30am</u>	
Eucharistic Ministers	Anthony Amor Pat Glaubitz Simon Lynch	Mary Dalgleish Anna Robertson Timothy Lannen	
Reader	Frank O'Connor	Alison McKinnon	
Commentator	Betty Heinrich	(please volunteer)	
22/23 Jan.	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday <u>10.30am</u>	
Reader	Kevin Dunn	Michael Connellan	
Commentator	Micky Robarts	Dianne Noy	
Eucharistic Ministers	Bob Hayes John Parker Maree Plazzer	Anna Robertson Timothy Lannen Karen Hill	
Projector	Anita Masiero	Robert Sartori	
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Teresa Bottoms	
Welcomers	Pat Strachan Joan Whiley	Marina Manserra Zita Cannane	
Prayers	Alison McKinnon & Anna Robertson		
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	23rd January Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn Maureen McInerney	30th January Zita Cannane Lorraine Clancy Veronica Barker	

	HOPETOUN CHURCH ROSTER		
	<u>January 16:</u> LLA 9am	<u>January 23:</u> Mass 11am	
Readers	Olive Wellington	Claire White	
Offertory/ Lay-led	Claire & Maree White	Jan & Allen Fenech	
Ministers	Olive Wellington		

NHILL LITURGY ROSTER		
Reader & Prayers		
Lay Leaders		
Eucharistic Minister	- -	C
Offertory	To be confirmed	
Monthly Collector		
<u>Cleaning</u>		

Child Safety Standards: (Ss Michael & John Horsham) Bob Pritchett and Jill McGinnisken are our Safeguarding Officers. A Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct has been adopted for all who work with children and vulnerable adults in the Parish, to ensure the safety of all. *Our Parish seeks to always be a child safe Parish.*

MASS TIMES & REPORTS

MASS TIMES NEXT WEEKEND

4th Weekend of the Month:
Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am
Dimboola: Sunday 8.30am
Warracknabeal: Sunday 8.30am
Minyip: Saturday 6pm
Hopetoun: Sunday 11am
Murtoa: Sunday Mass Livestream viewing 10.30am
Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am
Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am
Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

OTHER MASSES:

Natimuk: *resuming February 2022...* **Rupanyup:** *next date, time and location to be confirmed.*

Notice on Church Collection reports:

- Due to public holidays and bank closures, we are still awaiting some final figures to enter our account... We aim to present our December month collections, as well as

Bishop Appeal Collection on an oncoming Bulletin this month.

We thank our collectors and counters for their humble and faithful ministry. Note to our Church representatives, please submit banking reports as soon as possible. Thank you.

Pope's intention for January: *"We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognised , which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family."*

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.

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 Synod of Bishops			
RECENT DEATHS: Ruth N Flynn) ANNIVERSARIES: Raffael Kennedy, Jean Slater, Tony Zorzetti, Robert Trentinaglia	e Macchia, Angela / & Olga Rossi, Milena	Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, which has the theme, "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The People of God are invited to use a guided, prayerful reflection method to consider a series of questions and make submissions via an online portal. Those submissions will help the Bishops	
Ryan, Mary Dillon		develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023.	
SICK: Ken Dowsley, Des (Shilpa Joe, Elsie Thomas, I Many Thompson, Patricia S	Marie Tobin, John Hickey,	Find out more at http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch	
Mary Thompson, Patricia S Brett Cox, Moira Kelly snr, (Christie Higginbottom, Pat I McCulloch, Leo Bourke, Pe	Graham Klemm, Jill & Hateley, Ted Haynes, Sam	Job Opportunity – Diocesan Director for Catholic Mission with responsibility for the Dioceses of Ballarat and Sandhurst (West Victoria)	
Bernard Connellan		 Position description and short video on what it is like to work at Catholic Mission available at: https://www.catholicmission.org.au/jobs-at-catholic-mission 	
<u>Anointing</u> : On request to Mons. Glynn Murphy or Fr Jim McKay, or please call the Parish Office. -++==++++++++++++++==++-		If you are interested, please submit a cover letter of 1 page and a resume no longer than 3 pages to <u>employment@catholicmission.org.au</u> .	
<u>Confessions:</u> After Saturday Morning Mass at Horsham Church, or on request to our Priests.		Our Parish Finance: For all wishing to support either our Parish or Clergy through online banking transfer:	
"I at pathing disturb you	You may not always and	St Paul VI Parish Account (NAB)	
"Let nothing disturb you, Let nothing frighten you.	You may not always see the results of your	BSB: 083-680 Acc. No: 515830337	
All things are passing	kindness, but every bit of	(Please state envelope number if you have one)	
away: God never changes.	positive energy you	St Paul VI Presbytery (Clergy Support) Account (NAB)	
Patience obtains all things. Whoever has God lacks	contribute to the world makes it a better place	BSB: 083-680 Acc. No: 515830345	
nothing"	for us all.	~ The option of regular automatic Direct Debit contributions can be	
- Sr Teresa of Avila	- Lisa Currie	arranged by contacting our office ~ All amounts are an active support to our faith community and are greatly appreciated.	
"Plenary Co	ouncil Post"	+=	
	enary Council in Australia	Our Parish also has a National Grower Register Account - for farmers in our community who would like to arrange planned giving via a small share of grain sales through the NGR.	
The Plenary Council members		Our Parish NGR Card number is 1402 0336.	
assembly in October spent mu groups discerning responses t The document capturing the fr	o the 16 agenda questions.	Please feel free to call our Parish Office for more info.	
assembly reveals the direction group discernment and offers	is of the small them as a basis for the	Developing a new Prayer for Communion outside of Mass and for the Special Ministers in our Parish:	
ongoing preparation for the se Archbishop Costelloe said the challenging and sometimes ur The report, as much as possib of those who spoke, without at harmonised or homogenous a Read the document via this lin drive.google.com/file/d/1wi8Rr b6jjY3gvMdQQ26tcse/view?us	first assembly was "inspiring, neettling" for the members. ble, "retains the original voice ttempts to produce a ccount". k: <u>https://</u> PZPBKSHX-	Our Parish, St Paul VI Wimmera Mallee - is currently developing suggestions/submissions for a prayer for Communion outside of Mass which prays for and comforts those who are unable to be with us, whilst expressing appreciation to the friends, family members and Eucharistic ministers who visit and care for them. <i>All are welcome to give input/suggestions</i> - <i>Please submit your input through the Parish office</i>	
Confirmation of the venue for		<i>before 1st February 2022</i> , this can be in written form or via email (wimmeramallee@ballarat.catholic.org.au)	
During the November plenary		Each prayer and/or suggestion shall be considered by our	
Conference, it was affirmed th and desire to hold the second Council in person. The Assem		Parish Priest and Pastoral Council. The completed prayer will	

Cathedral College in the Sydney CBD. The dates are confirmed as Monday, July 4 to Saturday, July 9, 2022.

open to all to attend and share in the celebrations. As 2022

forward for the Steering Committee to consider and a simple

begins, a COVID-safe plan and related policies will be put

registration for the closing Mass will be available publicly.

shared on our Bulletin as a sign of community and solidarity within our large Parish, and as remembrance for the many different lives it encompasses with Holy Communion. The closing Mass of the Plenary Council will be celebrated at St Mary's Cathedral on the Saturday morning and will be



READINGS 📾

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

About Zion I will not be silent, about Jerusalem I will not grow weary, until her integrity shines out like the dawn and her salvation flames like a torch. The nations then will see your integrity, all the kings your glory, and you will be called by a new name, one which the mouth of the Lord will confer. You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand of the Lord, a princely diadem in the hand of your God; no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken,' nor your land 'Abandoned,' but you shall be called 'My Delight' and your land 'The Wedded'; for the Lord takes delight in you and your land will have its wedding. Like a young man marrying a virgin, so will the one who built you wed you, and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 95:1-3, 7-10

R. Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations. O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. O sing to the Lord, bless his name. R. Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. R. Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name. R.

Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.' He will judge the peoples in fairness. R.

R. Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have

Gospel Reflection from Loyola Press: (SunCOrd02)

Today's Gospel reading, describes the beginning of Jesus' ministry and his first miracle. John tells us that Jesus and his disciples were invited to this wedding at Cana, as was Jesus' mother, Mary. In the Church's liturgical history, the wedding feast of Cana is closely associated with the baptism of the Lord and the adoration of the infant Jesus by the Wise Men. In this context, the sign Jesus performs at the wedding feast is celebrated as an epiphany or a manifestation of Jesus' divinity. Yet awareness of Jesus' impending passion and death is ever present in John's Gospel. Even in this report of Jesus' first sign, the language used anticipates Jesus' passion. When Jesus says to his mother that his hour has not yet come, he protests against her wishes in language that John will use again when reporting Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples. When introducing the story of Jesus washing his disciples' feet, John writes that Jesus knew that his hour had come. In John's Gospel, Jesus is very much in command and aware of all that is to happen to him. Here, as elsewhere in John's Gospel, Mary is not mentioned by name, but is referred to instead as the mother of Jesus. Mary is influential in Jesus' first sign. She will also be present at his Crucifixion, a witness to the final manifestation of his divinity. John's Gospel describes

the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

Gospel Acclamation: cf 2 Thessalonians 2:14

Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 2:1-11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited. When they ran out of wine, since the wine provided for the wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My hour has not come yet.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' There were six stone water jars standing there, meant for the ablutions that are customary among the Jews: each could hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' and they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out now,' he told them, 'and take it to the steward.' They did this; the steward tasted the water, and it had turned into wine. Having no idea where it came from - only the servants who had drawn the water knew - the steward called the bridegroom and said, 'People generally serve the best wine first, and keep the cheaper sort till the quests have had plenty to drink; but you have kept the best wine till now.' This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He let his glory be seen, and his disciples believed in him.

seven signs that indicate Jesus' identity to his disciples. John never speaks of these signs as miracles because their importance is not in the deed that Jesus performs but in what these deeds indicate about Jesus' identity. Here, as when John describes the other signs, the disciples are said to begin to believe, but no mention is made as to whether the other wedding guests are even aware of what has happened. Marriage and wedding feasts are metaphors used in Scripture to describe God's salvation and the Kingdom of God. Here at the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, John's Gospel seeks to establish that Jesus is going to re-interpret and fulfill Yahweh's promise to Israel. Jesus establishes the New Covenant. A hint about what this New Covenant will be like is made evident in the deed that Jesus performs. Asked to do something to address the awkward situation that the absence of wine at a wedding feast would create, Jesus' miracle produces vast quantities of wine-six jars holding thirty gallons each are filled to overflowing with choice wine. This lavish response to a simple human need is a vision for us of the abundance of God's kingdom. It challenges us to respond generously when confronted with human need today. We respond as best we can, fully confident that God can transform our efforts, bringing the Kingdom of God to fulfilment among us.