

West Wimmera & South-Western Mallee District Parishes

Horsham – Dimboola - Murtoa – Natimuk - Rupanyup - Nhill - Kaniva - Warracknabeal





HOPETOUN





BULLETIN

3rd Sunday of Lent - Year B - 7th March 2021



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This Weekend's Masses: 1st Weekend of March

Mons. Glynn: Warracknabeal (Saturday 6.30pm), Hopetoun (Sunday 9am), Rainbow (Sunday 11am)

Fr Jim: Horsham (Saturday 6.30pm & Sunday 10.30am), Murtoa (Sunday 8.30am)

Lay-Led Assemblies:

Dimboola: Sunday LLA 9am Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

(weekly during Lent)

St Joseph's Hopetoun - Friday 9am Ss. Michael & John Horsham - Friday 5pm





Project Compassion 2021: "Be More"

Boxes and envelope sets are available in each of the Church Foyers. Please take a set home in support of Caritas Australia. You can also donate online at www.caritas.org.au/ projectcompassion or phone 1800 024 413.

<u>Latest COVID Requirements:</u> Wearing a mask is no longer mandatory in churches or chapels. However, it is recommended that we wear a face mask when we cannot maintain 1.5 metres distance from other people. Thank you.

Easter Ministries (SMJ Church): For all who are available and willing to volunteer for liturgical ministries on Holy Week and Easter services; you are invited to a

Meeting on 9th March 2021, 5pm @ the Horsham Parish Centre.

WEEKDAY MASSES:			
Monday 1 March	9.00am	Warracknabeal	
Tuesday 2 March	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham	
Wednesday 3 Mar.	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham	
Thursday 4 March	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham	
Friday 5 March	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham	
Saturday 6 March	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham	

PRAYER FOR 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, 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, sick, in Homes or in Hospital.

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

<u>New Australian Catholics</u> <u>Magazine (Autumn Ed.):</u> available at all Church Foyers.

Coughlin Park Management Committee Meeting: Wednesday, 10th March, 5pm.

<u>St Mary's Ladies Club</u> <u>Warracknabeal</u>

Next meeting will be held in foyer of the church at 10am on Tuesday 9th March. All welcome.

NOTICES FOR BULLETINS:

To our church representatives; please submit any upcoming notices to Camille by **Thursday (each week)**. Thank you.

If you would like to keep up with our Weekly Bulletin electronically, Please send your email address to

electronically, Please send your email address to horsham@ballarat.catholic.org.au or call (03) 5382 1155.

Child Safety Standards: (Ss Michael & John Parish)

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 Child Safety Code of Conduct has been adopted for all who work with children and vulnerable adults in the Parish.

Our Parish seeks to always be a child safe Parish.

HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER				
6/7 March	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am		
Eucharistic Ministers	Anthony Amor Cath Taylor 	Lynda Hutchinson Bob Pritchett Zita Cannane		
Commentator	Garry Heinrich	Bob Pritchett		
13/14 March	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am		
Readers	John Parker	Anna Robertson		
Commentator	Kevin Dunn	Louise Kemp		
Eucharistic Ministers	Pat Glaubitz Simon Lynch 	Andrea Cox Kingsley Dalgleish Alison McKinnon		
Projector	Geoff Simpson	Gabby Mills		
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Combined Choir		
Welcomers	Gavin Hynam Judy Bryan	Denise Vallance Helene Bush		
Prayers	John & Joan Parker			
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	7th March Lucille Pekin Pauline Breen Sue Chalkley Judie Delahunty	14th March Lynda Hutchinson Helene Bush Bernadette Delahunty Gwen Antonucci Carmel O'Connor		

NHILL LITURGY ROSTER				
	March 7: LLA 10am	March 14: LLA 10am		
Reader & Prayers	I Dart K Clohesy			
Lay Leaders	M Millington	L Fraser		
Eucharistic Minister	J Gurry	C Kennedy		
Monthly Collector	R Picone			
Counter	J Millington	E Cameron		
Cleaning	C Kennedy	C Kennedy		

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

1st Weekend of the Month:

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am

Murtoa: Sunday 8.30am

Warracknabeal: Saturday 6.30pm

Hopetoun: Sunday 9am Rainbow: Sunday 11am

Dimboola: Sunday Lay-led Assembly (LLA) 9am

Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

2nd Weekend of the Month:

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am

Dimboola: Sunday 8.30am Beulah: Saturday 7pm

Warracknabeal: Sunday 8.30am

Minyip: Sunday 10am

Murtoa: Sunday Lay-led Assembly (LLA) 9am

Hopetoun: Sunday LLA 9am Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

3rd Weekend of the Month:

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am

Murtoa: Sunday 8.30am

Warracknabeal: Saturday 6.30pm

Beulah: Sunday 8.30am Nhill: Sunday 11am

Dimboola: Sunday Lay-led Assembly (LLA) 9am

Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am Hopetoun: Sunday LLA 9am

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 Lay-led Assembly (LLA) 9am

Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

5th Weekend of the Month:

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 8.30am

Nhill: Sunday 11am
Murtoa: Saturday 6pm
Hopetoun: Sunday 9am
Rainbow: Sunday 11am
Dimboola: Sunday LLA 9am
Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am
Warracknabeal: Sunday LLA 9am
Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am

Other Masses:

Natimuk: (Every 4th Tuesday of the Month) 6.30pm

Rupanyup: (To be confirmed...)

HOPETOUN Date		Time	Readers	Offertory	Special Ministers
	March 7 - Mass	9am	Neha Kovoor	Kevin & Maureen Clancy	
ROSTER	March 14 - LLA	9am	Coral Cox	Marilyn Clancy & Claire White	Olive Wellington

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Warracknabeal) —2021 LITURGY ROSTER (First Quarter)						
Date & Time	Time	Readers	Prayers	Offertory	Collectors	Special Ministers
March 6th Saturday	6.30pm	M. Aitken	F Casey	P Winsall/ M Walder	D & K Baxter	K Downes & B Evans
March 14th Sunday	8.30am	L Casey	D. Baxter	L & F Casey	D & K Baxter	M Muller & J McFarlane

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: Dagmar Santos, Peter Jackson

ANNIVERSARIES: Dick Walsh, H.J (Bert) Grigg, Silvio & Reginetta D'Agostin, Charles Moore, Edward Jackman, Vincent Liston, Bob Picone

SICK: Ken Dowsley, Des Gaynor, Heather McPhee, Shilpa Joe, Joan Glen, Elsie Thomas, Doris McDonald, Kobe Davidson, Mary Thompson, Bob Atkins, Moira Kelly snr, Jill & Christie Higginbottom, Debbie Nolen, Kevin Clancy, John Hickey, Les White, Leo Bourke, Laurie Grayling, Pat Hateley

ANOINTING AT HOME:

On request to Fr Jim McKay - mobile number: 0418 664 083. Or Contact the Parish office at 5382 1155.

To all Ministers of the Eucharist who visit the Hospitals/Nursing Homes in our Parish: Please contact Fr Jim to plan/schedule for Anointing Masses in the homes/hospitals which you visit. Thank you for your ministry.

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.

Stations of the cross:

5pm on Fridays for the duration of lent

Saturday Morning Devotions:

8.30am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

8.50am - Rosary and prayers of the church,

9.30am Saturday Morning Mass

Holy Land Collection – Good Friday 2021

The effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on travelling restrictions, pilgrimage and outreach programs, has made in impact on churches and communities that live around world renowned Holy Landmarks. Your support in this year's Good Friday Holy Land Collection, is particularly vital. In these times, we must remember that love is not lost, community is not lost, and hope is not lost. You can also visit https://www.custodia.org/en/pro-terra-sancta-collection to make a direct online donation.



Share your skills Overseas -Palms Australia https://palms.org.au/assignmentsabroad/current-opportunities/



Lenten Program 2021: Booklets \$5 each, available at Horsham Parish Office.



"JESUS IS ALIVE" : 50th Anniversary of The Catholic Charismatic Renewal (Melbourne):

The event scheduled at our Horsham Parish

office for the 6th March has been cancelled. Although you can still join the celebration online via zoom, by registering here: https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=708346&

We welcome to the Family of God in Baptism this Sunday (Horsham):

> Elsie & Sylvie Uebergang Children of Nicole & Jock





Project Compassion 2021— 3rd Sunday of Lent

Oliva, 22, didn't have the opportunity to go to school, and was embarrassed that she was unable to read, write or count.

Her business was losing money because she couldn't add up. Then Oliva enrolled in Caritas Australia's literacy and numeracy classes. She also set up a home classroom to teach her neighbours for free, because they were too shy to attend larger classes... Oliva has now graduated, attendance at her classes is growing, her kiosk is thriving and she is helping her children with their homework. She aims to become a pastor and run for leadership in the next local election - to help her community to 'Be More.'

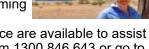
Project Compassion Virtual Immersions (via Zoom)

Tuesdays & Thursdays (1hr) following the theme of each week throughout Lent.

Register at https://lent.caritas.org.au/virtualimmersions

St Vincent de Paul - Drought **Community Support**

Applications are still open for farming households who meet eligibility



UP TO \$3000 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

DUGHT SUPPORT

Criteria. Staff in the National Office are available to assist applicants. Call the Drought Team 1300 846 643 or go to www.vinnies.org.au/droughthelp - For more information.



Mentor Month: Seeking Volunteers Uniting Vic., Centre for Participation

and Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN have joined forces to highlight the need

for more youth mentors. Two Information sessions will be offered Friday 26th March at different times to provide an overview of youth mentoring & the 3 current mentoring programs that support young people (Out of Home Care Better Futures, Mates Mentoring and L2P Learning Drive Mentor program)... Youth Mentors are aged 18 or over & can come from all walks of life. If you are kind, nonjudgmental, flexible, reliable and most importantly willing to support a young person and make a difference in their life, then youth mentoring may be for you.

Registrations - https://mentormonth.eventbrite.com.au



ACRATH "Name your change": Slavery-free Easter Chocolate Campaign Support the Campaign by sourcing products marked with logos from "Fairtrade", "UTZ " or "Rainforest Alliance" when shopping for chocolates and other goods this Easter.

Praying with Pope Francis

Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. 'The Pope Video' (Found at www.thepopevideo.org) forms part of the Worldwide Prayer Network & includes a personal message from the Pope, for each monthly intention.

March universal intention – Sacrament of reconciliation: "Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God."

Plenary Council Program: Share your voice to help us all understand the current reality of the Catholic Church in Australia. Visit https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/



First Reading: Exodus 17:3-7 (Yr A)

Tormented by thirst, the people complained against Moses. 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt?' they said. 'Was it so that I should die of thirst, my children too, and my cattle?' Moses appealed to the Lord. 'How am I to deal with this people?' he said. 'A little more and they will stone me!' The Lord said to Moses, 'Take with you some of the elders of Israel and move on to the forefront of the people; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the river, and go. I shall be standing before you there on the rock, at Horeb. You must strike the rock, and water will flow from it for the people to drink.' This is what Moses did, in the sight of the elders of Israel. The place was named Massah and Meribah because of the grumbling of the sons of Israel and because they put the Lord to the test by saying, 'Is the Lord with us, or not?'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 18:8-11 (Yr B)

(R.) Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart. The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just.

They are more to be desired than gold, than the purest of gold and sweeter are they than honey, than honey from the comb.

(R.) Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 (Yr A)

Through our Lord Jesus Christ by faith we are judged righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory.

This hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us. We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man - though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die - but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners.

Gospel Acclamation: John 3:16 (Yr B)

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel: John 2:13-25 (Yr B)

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

Gospel Reflection Veronica Lawson rsm: SunBLent03 Today's gospel passage foreshadows the death of Jesus. As a devout Jew, Jesus goes up to Jerusalem at Passover. His final going-up will be the occasion of his death and resurrection. The Jerusalem Temple, Judaism's most holy place, is the site of a dramatic incident, an event that is recounted in all four gospels. The Synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark and Luke) locate it towards the end of the gospel. They present it as a catalyst for the intensification of hostility between the temple authorities and Jesus. John's gospel, in contrast, places it at the beginning of Jesus' ministry. The tension between Jesus and the temple authorities that is to culminate in his death in all four gospels is thus present from the outset in John. Jesus acts decisively, even violently, to draw attention to the primary function of God's "house". He creates an effective weapon, a whip of cords, and comprehensively clears the temple precinct of merchants, sheep, and cattle. He overturns the tables of the money-changers, orders the dovesellers out and tells them all, in words that evoke the

prophecy of Zechariah (14:21), to stop making God's house "a market-place". Zechariah had declared that, in the end times, there would no longer be traders in God's house. There was legitimate commercial activity associated with temple worship, such as the purchase of animals and doves for sacrifice, a practice we might now critique, and the conversion of money to pay the Temple tax. The traders seem to have forgotten that this activity was a means to an end and not an end in itself. In John's account, the disciples partially understand: they interpret Jesus' actions in the light of Psalm 69:9: "It is zeal for your house that has consumed me". "The Jews" request a "sign ... for doing this". In other words, they ask Jesus to demonstrate the source of his authority for his actions. His response is a challenge: "Destroy this temple, and in three days, I will raise it up". "The Jews" misunderstand. This provides Jesus with the opportunity to play on the word "temple": the temple is not only a material edifice that took forty-six years to build. It is also, metaphorically, his body that will be destroyed and raised up "in three days".

PROJECTOR OPERATORS

The Horsham Church is looking for people who are willing to offer their time at Saturday/Sunday Mass on a roster system as a Projector Operator.

If you have good computer skills and a knowledge of Power-Point you are what we are looking for.

Training will be offered.

If you think you can help contact Camille at the Parish Office on 53821155 to express your interest.

Next week's Gospel 4th Sunday Lent - John 3:14-21 (Year B)

Natimuk House Mass (4th Tuesday every month) 6.30pm, At 1 Mitchell St. (Natimuk, Vic.) - followed by a gathering. All welcome. Contact Robert Niehus 0407 484 472.

