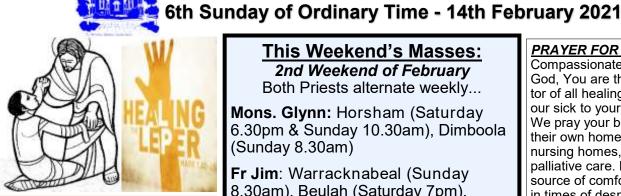


West Wimmera & South-Western Mallee **District Parishes**

BULLETIN

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





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St Joseph's Hopetoun - 2pm

WEEK DAV MACCEC.

This Weekend's Masses: 2nd Weekend of February Both Priests alternate weekly...

Mons. Glynn: Horsham (Saturday 6.30pm & Sunday 10.30am), Dimboola (Sunday 8.30am)

Fr Jim: Warracknabeal (Sunday 8.30am), Beulah (Saturday 7pm), Minyip (Sunday 10am)

Lay-Led Assemblies: Murtoa: Sunday LLA 9am Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am Hopetoun: Sunday LLA 9am

Latest COVID Requirements:

Those attending Mass are required to wear their face masks while inside the church. Thank you.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FRIDAY, MARCH 5 @ St Patrick's Catholic Church, Nhill. At 7pm.



_____ 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 via phone at 1800 024 413. _____

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES: (16 - 17 February 2021)

Ss. Michael's & John's Horsham - Tuesday (Vigil Mass): 5.30pm St Joseph's Dimboola - Tuesday (Vigil Mass): 7.30pm SMJ & SBC Horsham Schools - Combined Mass @ Coughlin Park Oval - Wednesday: 9.30am St Mary's Murtoa - Wednesday: 11.30am St Patrick's Nhill - Wednesday: 2pm Ash St Mary's Warracknabeal (School & Parish) - 11.30am

Wednesday

WEEK-DAT MASSES:	
Monday 15 Feb - Ordinary	SBC Opening Mass @ Church 11am, Warracknabeal 9am
Tuesday 16 Feb - Ordinary	Horsham 9.30am, Warracknabeal 9am
Wednesday 17 Feb -	(Please see Ash Wednesday Notice above)
Thursday 18 Feb	Horsham 9.30am, Warracknabeal 9am
Friday 19 Feb	Horsham 9.30am, Warracknabeal 9am
Saturday 20 Feb	Horsham 9.30am, Warrack. Vigil Mass 6.30pm

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

NOTICES FOR BULLETINS: To all our church representatives; please submit any upcoming notices to Camille on Thursdays (each week). Thank you.

If you would like to keep up with our Weekly Bulletin electronically, Please send your email address to horsham@ballarat.catholic.org.au or call (03) 5382 1155.

Please Remember in Your Prayers					(Hor	sham) MINISTRY	ROSTERS	
RECENT DEATHS:				13	8/14 Feb	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am	
ANNIVERSARIES: Agne Shalders, Josie Garwood, 40th day since passing (&	/lebato Gesir	bato Gesim—		charistic inisters	Bob Hayes John Parker Maree Plazzer	Kingsley Dalgleish Alison McKinnon Fay Wills		
Noime Powell), Jack & Ne				Con	nmentator	Maree Plazzer	Alison McKinnon	
SICK: Ken Dowsley, Des Gaynor, Heather McPhee,				20)/21 Feb	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am	
Shilpa Joe, Joan Glen, John McNamara, Elsie Thomas,			R	leaders	Garry Heinrich	Louise Kemp		
Doris McDonald, Kobe Davidson, Mary Thompson, Bob Atkins, Moira Kelly snr, Jill & Christie Higginbottom,		Con	nmentator	Kevin Dunn	Angela Murphy			
Debbie Nolen, Frances Casey, Cynthia Maiden, Kevin Clancy, John Hickey, Les White, Leo Bourke						Sr Jacinta Rice Micky Robarts Lorraine Clancy	Rosie Taylor Cate Rigby Mary Dalgleish	
Mass remembrance: for Perfecta Revalde Gesim, Maximina Requina Gesim, Maria Edema Mebato Pacheco,			P	rojector	Peter Gutteridge	Robert Sartori		
Simplicio Mebato & Other deceased relatives of Noime Powell - Thursday 18th Feb., 9.30am @ Horsham SMJ Church.		M	usicians	Chris Robarts	Combined Choir			
Weekly Activities at SMJ Church Horsham			We	lcomers	Judie & Hugh Delahunty	Marina Manserra Zita Cannane		
Morning Craft Group: Mondays @ Parish Office Me	etina Room	n 930-1130a	m	F	Prayers	Lesley Price		
Meditation Group (with Sr Jacinta Rice): Tuesdays 2pm in the Church Meeting Room. Into A Strange Land: A Country Called Forgiveness Walking the journey from unforgiveness to forgiveness: Retreat begins: 21 Feb 2021. for more info Visit				Cle	Cleaning & Flower Arranging		21st February Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn Maureen McInerne	
https://www.jamberooabbey.org.au/retreats/online-			NHILL LITURGY ROSTER					
retreats/forgiveness-retreat/						February 14 LLA at 10am	February 21 Mass at 11am	
For all trades and professions: Share your skills Overseas - Information session on February 20. For more info & list of available positions visit <u>https://</u> palms.org.au/assignments-abroad/current-opportunities/				der <u>&</u> yers	I Dart	K Dalgleish		
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help us all understand the current reality				<u>Off</u>	<u>ertory</u>		– L Welsch	
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Date & Day	Time	Readers	the Faithful	Offertory	Collectors	Ministers
February 14th Sunday	8.30am	M Farrall	M. Farrall	M & J Lardner	T Evans & L Casey	M Lardner & K Downes
February 20th Saturday evening	11.00am	D Baxter	L. Casey	Baxter Family	B Bentley & L Downes	B Evans & M Muller
February 28th	8.30am	J McFarlane	P Winsall	Downes Family	B Bentley & L Downes	J McFarlane & M Lardner
March 6th Saturday evening	6.30pm	M. Aitken	F Casey	P Winsall/ M Walder	D & K Baxter	K Downes & B Evans

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

1st Weekend of the Month:

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2nd Weekend of the Month:

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Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am Dimboola: Sunday 8.30am Warracknabeal: Sunday 8.30am Minyip: Saturday 6pm Murtoa: Sunday Lay-led Assembly (LLA) 9am Hopetoun: Sunday 11am 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

Project Compassion Virtual Immersions

Caritas Australia is holding Virtual Immersion opportunities for parishes via Zoom video conferencing. These digital engagements will allow participants to focus on prayer and reflection, Catholic Social Teaching and an interview and Q&A with Caritas International Program staff. Sessions will run Tuesdays and Thursdays for one hour, each week of Lent. To register visit <u>https://lent.caritas.org.au/virtualimmersions</u>

ASH WEDNESDAY- Distribution of Ashes

The Priest cleanses his hands, puts on a face mask and distributes the ashes to those who come to him or, if appropriate, goes to those who are standing in their places. The Priest sprinkles the ashes on the head of each one, or takes a cotton swab to dip in the ashes and draws the Cross on each forehead, without saying anything...

Excerpted from the Ballarat Diocesian E-Newsletter:

"Farewell and Thank You: Ss Michael and John's Parish in Horsham has been blessed over the last nine years to have been in the pastoral and spiritual care of Fr Peter Hudson. It was with some sadness that we took time to formally thank and farewell Fr Peter after the weekend Masses on December 19 and 20. These had to be modest gatherings due to the COVID-19 restrictions and not in the order appropriate for such a special man. Fr Peter formally completed his time as our Parish Priest with the Parish Mass celebrated on Sunday, December 27. I am reluctant to say that Fr Peter has retired from Priestly ministry because I believe this man has much more to give to the people of God in our Diocese and beyond. While Horsham has been the beneficiary of Fr Peter's most recent years of ministry, our Diocese has been greatly blessed by the nearly fifty years of service Fr Peter has given since his Ordination in May, 1971. Over the years, Peter gave faithful service to the people of God in Terang, Ballarat, West Warrnambool, Hamilton and Swan Hill prior to his time with us in Horsham. We will keep Fr Peter in our prayers and be forever grateful for the years he spent with us. Take care Peter. Best wishes for all you are still to do in the years ahead. God Bless. Chris Robarts - Chair, Parish Council "



Position Vacant : Finance/Administration Officer 1 day per week – Thursdays

A position is available for an enthusiastic and motivated person to become part of our Parish team as a Finance/Administration Officer.

We are looking for a person with knowledge of Reckon Software (advantage), good computer skills and communication. Working with Children's Check and National Police Check is required.

Job Description is available at the Parish Office, 10 Roberts Ave, Horsham or by phone 5382 1155 or email horsham@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Applications close on 26th February 2021

Oceania Webinar: Faithful Stewards of God's Grace -February 16 - Parish/Diocesian/Deanery Pastoral Councils and leadership teams are invited to explore best practices for lay pastoral ministry. Register at https://tinyurl.com/oceaniawebinarfeb16.



Lenten Program 2021: 'Comfort' Booklets are now on sale \$5 ea, (Contact Horsham Parish Office.)

Child Safety Standards: Ss Michael & John Parish has **Bob Pritchett and Jill McGinnisken are** our Safeguarding Officer. 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.*

First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons. 'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 31:1-2, 5, 11

(R.) I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven, whose sin is remitted. O happy the man to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile.

But now I have acknowledged my sins; my guilt I did not hide. I said: 'I will confess my offence to the Lord.' And you, Lord, have forgiven the guilt of my sin.

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult, you just! O come, ring out your joy, all you upright of heart.

(R.) I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Gospel Reflection Veronica Lawson rsm: SunBOrd06

We all seek to be part of family and community because we are social beings who need to engage with others and with our environment. Some are deprived of choice in this respect. Repeated name-calling and labelling is an age-old strategy of exclusion. "Illegals" is a label that excludes some of the most vulnerable people in today's world. "Leper" is a label that is used metaphorically of those who are not welcome, of those deemed to be "infectious". Today's gospel about a person with leprosy invites us to reflect on the pain of exclusion. To be a leper in the world of early Judaism was to have some sort of skin disease that excluded a person from community and in particular from public worship. There were strict regulations regarding such lepers (see today's first reading from Leviticus, dating from several centuries before the time of Jesus). Their condition required ritual cleansing by a priest and an offering that cost money. That seems horrifying from our perspective, and it was. In Mark's story, the man with leprosy approaches Jesus of Nazareth who is not one of the priests. This afflicted person thus cuts across the established procedures. Jesus is "moved with compassion", literally "moved in his gut, or in the depths of his being". In other words, Jesus empathises deeply with the suffering person. He has a physical reaction in the face of suffering. Some manuscripts have "moved with anger". A later scribe

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31 - 11:1

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone - to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

Gospel Acclamation: Luke 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

probably considered that expression too harsh as an emotion for Jesus and softened the text. Jesus speaks and acts. He declares that he wills the cure of the man. He actually reaches out and touches him: a bodily encounter brings healing. He then sends the man back to tell the priests "as a proof to them". The verb used for "send back" suggests that the priests had already been approached without success. Jesus, the Galilean healer, succeeds in mediating the power of the God of Israel and so restores this outcast person to life in the community and the community itself to greater wholeness through this healing. The widespread report of Jesus' healing activity will incur the anger of some of the authorities. For our part, as followers of Jesus, we might reflect on the fact that sickness and disability are not only physical phenomena. They also have social and emotional impacts on individuals and the communities to which they belong. Healing enables people to live again, to be with others and do the things they want to do. It brings new life and integrity to community. Jesus demonstrates that the combination of a compassionate word and a healing touch can work wonders. This was true in the ancient world. It is equally true for us today in the face of a virulent pandemic that has taken so many lives and disrupted family and social engagement. Healing must be all embracing if it is restore life.

