

St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B 17TH MARCH 2024



We welcome to the family of God in Baptism this weekend Georgia Mae Jackson

Daughter of Bradley & Leah Jackson

May Georgia continue to grow in faith with loving support of her family, friends, Godparents, sponsors and our Parish community.

CONTACTS:

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- Olivia

Please submit notices for our weekly Bulletin to the Parish Office by C.O.B Thursday. Thank you

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www.ballarat.catholic.org.au /parish/wimmera-mallee/

Mass Livestreaming

Mass will be livestreamed from the Horsham Church at 6.30pm each Saturday evening, and will be available to watch 'live', or for replay viewing at a time convenient. (Recordings are deleted weekly, and will be available until Friday each week) YouTube Channel Link:

https://www.youtube.com/ @smjchurchhorsham/streams

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES St PAUL VI PARISH 2024

HOLY TUESDAY

- Horsham 2nd Rite Reconciliation 6.30pm

HOLY WEDNESDAY

- Nhill 2nd Rite Reconciliation 6.30pm

HOLY THURSDAY

- Horsham 7pm - Nhill 7pm

GOOD FRIDAY

- Natimuk - The Way of the Cross - Ecumenical Service at the Natimuk Uniting Church 10am - Warracknabeal - Stations of the Cross 10am

- Nhill 6pm

- Horsham Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 3pm - Nhill - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 3pm
- **EASTER VIGIL (Sat)**
- Murtoa 6pm
- Horsham 8.30pm
- Warracknabeal 8.30pm

EASTER SUNDAY

- Dimboola 8.30am - Hopetoun 9am - Horsham 10.30am
- ~ Safe & Blessed Easter be Yours ~

WEEKDAY MASSES:					
Tuesday 19th March	5.30pm	Warracknabeal (followed by Stations of the Cross)			
Tabbaay rour march	10am	Hopetoun - St Joseph's Feast Day School Mass			
	9.30am	Horsham			
Wednesday 20th March	9am	Warracknabeal			
	11am	Horsham - Funeral Mass for Bev O'Connor			
Thursday 21st March	10.30am	Warracknabeal (followed by tea and coffee)			
	6.30pm	Rupanyup House Mass (at Brian's)			
	9.30am	Horsham			
Friday 22nd March	9am	Warracknabeal			
	9.30am	Horsham (with anointing)			
Saturday 23rd March	9am	Warracknabeal (followed by Confessions)			
	9.30am	Horsham (Reconciliation Follows)			

Funeral Mass for Joan Beverley "Bev" O'Connor

Ss Michael & John Catholic Church, Horsham Wednesday 20th March 2024 11am

Horsham Graveside Burial for Patricia Brondsema Friday 22nd March, 2pm

- Funeral Mass at All Saints Catholic Church Portland on Thursday 21st March, at 2pm

HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER				
16th & 17th March	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am		
Reader	Betty Heinrich	Nerrida Holland		
Commentator	Emelia Sudholz	Gerard Raven		
Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Newton Bernadette Trounce Maree Plazzer	Faye Wills Rosie Taylor Bob Pritchett		
23rd & 24th March	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am		
Reader	Maree Plazzer	Louise Kemp		
Commentator	John Parker	Andrea Cox		
Eucharistic Ministers	John Parker Bob Hayes Lesley Price	Simon Lynch Anna Robertson Timothy Lannen		
Projector	Geoff Simpson	Rob Sartori		
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Embedded music		
Livestream	Rob Sartori	N/A		
Welcomers	Bob & Tess Hayes	Joan Whiley Mary Dowsley		
Tea/Coffee After Mass	N/A	Anne Rowe, Zita, Linda & Esther		
Prayers	Angela Amor & Pauline Breen			
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	24th March Jenny Clarke Bernie Lakin Rhonda Tursi	31st March Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn Maureen McInerney		

Child Safety Standards: St Paul VI Parish
Bob Pritchett is our Safeguarding Officer.
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.

HOLY COMMUNION TO SICK, ELDERLY OR HOUSE BOUND:

Parishioners interested in receiving preparation/ guidance to be able to bring Holy Communion from our churches to Parishioners can notify Mons Glynn or Fr Matt.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES THIS WEEKEND

3rd Sunday of the month: 16th & 17th March 2024

Horsham: Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am

Hopetoun: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm** Murtoa: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**

Warracknabeal: Sunday Mass 8.30am

Nhill: Sunday Mass 11am
Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am
Dimboola: Sunday LLA 8.30am
Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am
Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am

WARRACKNABEAL LITURGY ROSTER				
	<u>17th March</u> Mass 8.30am	24th March Mass 8.30am		
Reader	M Walder	M Farrall		
Prayers	M Walder	F Casey		
Collectors	D & K Baxter	D & K Baxter		
Cleaning	F Casey & O Phelan			

NHILL LITURGY ROSTER				
	17th March Mass 11am	24th March Mass 11am		
Sacristan	C Kennedy	A Munro		
Reader	Vanessa	K Dalgleish		
Collector	J Kennedy	J Kennedy		
Music	Paulino Ramas	Paulino Ramas		
Cleaning	C Pilgrim	C Pilgrim		

HOPETOUN LITURGY ROSTER				
	<u>16th March</u> Vigil Mass 6.30pm	24th March LLA 9am		
Readers	Joan Bellinger	Horman Family		
Offertory	Claire & Kevin	Joan Bellinger & Marilyn Clancy		
Eucharistic Minister	Cynthia Maiden			
Natimuk Mass:	TRΔ			

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Rupanyup Mass: Thursday 21st March at Brian's place, 6.30pm

Our Parish Finance:

For all wishing to support either our Parish or Clergy through online banking transfer:

St Paul VI **Parish** Account (NAB) BSB: 083-680 Acc. No: 515830337

(Please state envelope number if you have one, and name)

St Paul VI **Presbytery** (Clergy Support) Account (NAB)

BSB: 083-680 Acc. No: 515830345

~ The option of regular automatic Direct Debit contributions can be arranged by contacting our office ~

The Parish also has an NGR number for grain growers who wish to donate through harvest.

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

WEEKEND MASS TIMES NEXT WEEKEND

4th Sunday of the month: 23rd & 24th March 2024

Horsham: Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am

Dimboola: **Sunday Mass 8.30am** Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**

Beulah: Saturday Vigil 7pm
Nhill: Sunday Mass 11am
Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am
Murtoa: Sunday LLA 9am
Hopetoun: Sunday LLA 9am
Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am

PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: Patricia Brondsema (Portland), Connie Butera

ANNIVERSARIES: Patricia & John McClusky, Alan McGennisken, Pam Hogan, Carmel Rodgers, Jim Hyland

SICK: Pat Hateley, Ted Haynes, Sam McCulloch, Max Young, Joan McNamara, Alex Kavoor, Elliot Pumpa, Kevin Clancy, Jodie White, Bernie Ryan, Brendan McKinnon, Cynthia Maiden, Peter James, Noel Kearns, Brenda Ramsdale, Patricia Simpson, Frank White, David Gillard, Maggie Landrigan, Jason O'Connell, Tim Clancy, Astrid Van den Akker-Luttmer, Lyn Simpson, Cassie Simpson, Jean Simpson, Kaye Vincent

St Vincent de Paul

A representative of St Vincent de Paul is available to assess and assist cases on **Mon, Wed and Fri** mornings between 11am-12noon. *Appointments essential- Phone 5381 2371 to book.

Walsh Clans Reunion and Walsh Book Launch at Horsham – 2025

For the descendants of – William and Bridget (nee Shea) Walsh of Tatyoon and McKenzie Creek. and

Edward and Julia (nee Ryan) Walsh of Vectis and Remlaw.

To be held at Horsham, Victoria on the weekend of 10th, 11th and 12th October, **2025**.

For further information, enquiries, registration of interest or inclusion in the book:-

Email <u>walshreunion2025@gmail.com</u> or message or phone 0419446100

The roster for Readers, Commentators, and Special Ministers for the Easter period in the Horsham Church, is in its Narthex.

Please add your name if you can help with any of these ministries.

A farewell Afternoon Tea for Father Matt will be held in the foyer of St Mary's Church Warracknabeal at 3:00 p.m on Sunday 7th April, 2024.

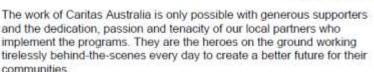
All parishioners and friends of St Paul VI Parish, are invited to join together to celebrate and thank Father Matt for all of the wonderful work he has completed in this Parish.

If each family could bring a plate to assist with catering, that would be of great assistance.

There will be a presentation of appreciation to which people can contribute on the day, this will be presented to Fr Matt on behalf of the Parish.



Fifth Sunday of Lent 16 & 17 March





Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, for all future generations.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting <u>caritas org au/project-compassion</u> or by calling 1800 024 413.



Mass of the Oils & 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat

Mass will be held on Monday, March 25, 2024 at 11.30am at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat. The livestream link for this Mass is https://youtube.com/live/ SdivIIKiHSs?feature=share

Farewell & God Bless

Our Parish communities in Horsham and Natimuk bid a fond farewell to *Terry & Margaret Howison* as they move to QLD this week, closer to family members. Within the community Terry was a much-appreciated medical practitioner prior to retirement and Margaret was a tireless supporter of St Vincent de Paul ministry. Our prayers for their safe travel north, and a very enjoyable new phase of life with family in the 'sunny north'.

Vaya con Dios! (Go with God)

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM:

Morning Craft Group: The Craft Group gather weekly in the Parish Office meeting room on Wednesdays, 9.30-11.30am

Choir Practice:

2nd Wednesday of the month, 4pm at the Church
- Any newcomers always welcome

Men's Fellowship: Breakfast - Third Thursday of the month 7.30am - 8.30am (Horsham Parish Hall) All men welcome.

Meditation Group: The Meditation Group meet weekly on Tuesdays, at 2.00pm in the Church meeting room

Sunday Mass

17 March 2024

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

31:31-34

See, the days are coming - it is the Lord who speaks - when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel and the House of Judah, but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive - it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, 'Learn to know the Lord!' No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest - it is the Lord who speaks - since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 50:3-4, 12-15

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin.

A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit.

Give me again the joy of your help; with a spirit of fervour sustain me, that I may teach transgressors your ways and sinners may return to you.

R. Create a clean heart in me, O God

Second Reading

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 5:7-9

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

Gospel Acclamation John 12:26

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! If you serve me, follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, my servant will also be. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 12:20-33

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, 'Sir, we should like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. I tell you, most solemnly, unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies, it remains only a single grain; but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest. Anyone who loves his life loses it; anyone who hates his life in this world will keep it for the eternal life. If a man serves me, he must follow me, wherever I am, my servant will be there too. If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him. Now my soul is troubled. What shall I say: Father, save me from this hour?

But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name!' A voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.'

People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, 'It was an angel speaking to him.' Jesus answered, 'It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours. 'Now sentence is being passed on this world; now the prince of this world is to be overthrown. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I shall draw all men to myself'.

By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

LOYOLA PRESS REFLECTION

Today's Gospel reading is taken from the Gospel of John. We are reading much further into John's Gospel than we have for the past two weeks. Chapter 12 of John's Gospel is a preparation for the beginning of the passion narrative to follow. Jesus has just raised Lazarus from the dead—an important sign in John's Gospel, which inspired many people to believe in Jesus. This event also marks the turning point in Jesus' conflict with the Jewish authorities. John's Gospel tells us that the Sanhedrin met after this event and made plans to kill Jesus. In the 12th chapter of John's Gospel, Jesus is anointed at Bethany and enters Jerusalem in triumph. We again see evidence of the significance of the raising of Lazarus to this event; John reports that the crowds also gathered to see Lazarus.

Following his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, Jesus predicted his suffering, death, and Res-

urrection and prepared his disciples to believe in the salvation that his death would accomplish. Using the metaphor of the grain of wheat, Jesus presented the idea that his dying would be beneficial. He also taught that those who would be his disciples must follow his example of sacrifice. This theme will be repeated in John's account of the Last Supper, when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples as an example of how they must serve one another.

The final section of today's Gospel might be read as John's parallel to the agony in the garden. Unlike the Synoptic Gospels, the Gospel of John does not record Jesus' anguished prayer in the garden of Gethsemane before his arrest. Although comparable words are found in today's reading, Jesus gives a confident response to the question he raises when asking God to save him from his impending death. After announcing his conviction that it is for this purpose that he came, a voice from heaven speaks, as if in answer to Jesus' prayer. This

voice, like the one heard at Jesus' baptism and at Jesus' Transfiguration—events reported in the Synoptic Gospels but not in John's Gospel—affirms that God welcomes the sacrifice that Jesus will make on behalf of others. In John's Gospel, Jesus teaches that this voice was sent for the sake of those who would believe in him.

In today's Gospel, we also hear Jesus speak about the cosmic framework against which we are to understand his passion, death, and Resurrection. Through his death and Resurrection, Jesus conquered Satan, the ruler of this world. In this way the world is judged, but the judgment is not condemnation. Instead, through Jesus' dying and rising, salvation is brought to the world.

Next Weekend's Readings: Palm Sunday Year B

1st Reading: from the prophet Isaiah 50:4-7

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 21:8-9,17-20,23-24 **Response**: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

2nd Reading: letter of St Paul to the Philippians 2:6-11 Gospel: Mark15:1-39