



You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors; but I say this to you...

St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

BULLETIN

6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B 11th February 2024



We welcome to the family of God in Baptism this weekend

Charlet Jean Scott

Daughter of Winton & Jovelyn Scott

Ambrose Walker Sulikowski

Son of Mark & Elizabeth Sulikowski

Eliza Charlotte Carey

Daughter of Mark Carey & Amelia Marshallsea

May they continue to grow in faith with loving support from their family, friends, Godparents, Sponsors and our Parish community.



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CLOSED MONDAYS

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

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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>

Project Compassion envelopes and collection boxes are now being distributed for the annual Caritas Australia fundraiser, which spans across the six weeks of Lent each year, bringing thousands of Australian schools, parishes and supporters together to help change the lives of some of the world's most vulnerable people.



WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 13th February	5.30pm	Warracknabeal Abide
	9.30am	Horsham
Wednesday 14th February (Ash Wednesday)	9.00am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Murtoa
	11.30am	Nhill
	2.15pm	Hopetoun
	5.30pm	Horsham (After business hours)
Thursday 15th February	9.00am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
	5.30pm	Beulah
	5.30pm	Rainbow
Friday 16th February	9.00am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Saturday 17th February	9.00am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham (Reconciliation Follows)

Funeral Prayers for Sante Ticchi
Ss Michael & John Church, Horsham
Thursday 15th February 2024, 1.30pm

<u>HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER</u>		
<u>10th & 11h February</u>	<u>Vigil 6.30pm</u>	<u>Sunday 10.30am</u>
Reader	Gary Heinrich	Bob Pritchett
Commentator	Maree Plazzer	May Rosello
Eucharistic Ministers	Micky Robarts Cath Taylor	Alison McKinnon Fay Wills Rosie Taylor
<u>17th & 18th February</u>	<u>Vigil 6.30pm</u>	<u>Sunday 10.30am</u>
Reader	Micky Robarts	Nerrida Holland
Commentator	Betty Heinrich	Alison McKinnon
Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Newton Bernadette Trounce Maree Plazzer	Geoff Simpson Timothy Lannen
Projector	Geoff Simpson	Gabbi Mills
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Choir
Livestream	Rob Sartori	N/A
Welcomers	Connie Besselaar	Joan Whiley Mary Dowsley
Tea/Coffee After Mass	N/A	Anne Rowe Zita Cannane Lynda Hutchinson Esther Fry
Prayers	Angela Amor & Pauline Breen	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	<u>18th February</u> Jenny Clarke Bernie Lakin Rhonda Tursi	<u>25th February</u> 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.

LENTEN PROGRAM 2024

*Due to unavailability of the Pieta Lenten Program book from the Diocese of Wollongong, we have ordered 'A Resurrected Life' from the Archdiocese of Brisbane. This is an individual or family prayer resource for the Lenten Season.
 The book's are for sale in the Parish Office - \$8.00 each.*

WEEKEND MASS TIMES
THIS WEEKEND

2nd Sunday of the month: 10 & 11 February 2024

Horsham: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**
 Hopetoun: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm**
 Dimboola: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
 Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
 Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**
 Murtoa: **Sunday LLA 9am**
 Minyip: **Sunday LLA 10am**
 Rainbow: **Sunday LLA 10am**
 Beulah: **Sunday LLA 9.30am**

<u>WARRACKNABEAL LITURGY ROSTER</u>		
	<u>11th February Mass 8.30am</u>	<u>18th February Mass 8.30am</u>
Reader	M Aitkin	L Casey
Prayers	D Baxter	K Downes
Collectors	D & K Baxter	L Casey
Cleaning		

<u>NHILL LITURGY ROSTER</u>		
	<u>10th February Mass 11am</u>	<u>18th February Mass 11am</u>
Sacristan	A Munro	M Millington
Reader	M Millington	J Gurry
Collector	R Picone	R Picone
Music	Paulino Ramas	Paulino Ramas
Cleaning	A Munro	A Munro

<u>HOPETOUN LITURGY ROSTER</u>		
	<u>11th February Vigil Mass 6.30pm</u>	<u>18th February Vigil Mass 6.30pm</u>
Readers	Cynthia Maiden	Claire White
Offertory	Marilyn & Therese	
Eucharistic Minister		

Natimuk Mass: TBA

Rupanyup Mass: Thursday 29 February 6.30pm
 Mass at Sue's place

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

3rd Sunday of the month: 17 & 18 February

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**

PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: Sante Ticchi, Carlo Marini (Italy-brother of Angela Ipolloni), John Phelan (formally Beulah)

ANNIVERSARIES: Carmel Johnson, Leo Egan, Marion Sharry, Marie McIntyre, Pat Oakley, Agnese Masiero, Anna Luciani, Dorothy Shalders, Alma Moore, Florence Moore, Andy Taylor, Clarrie Keenan, Jessie Garwood, May Hunter & Evelyn Schaefer

SICK: Ken Dowsley, Pat Hateley, Ted Haynes, Sam McCulloch, Max Young, Joan McNamara, Alex Kavoov, 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, Eddie Taig, Jason O'Connell, Connie Butera, Tim Clancy

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.

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.

Publications Available for Purchase

We now have a new delivery of God's Word 2024 books, \$20ea, available from the Parish Office



*We have copies of the
Brigidine Centenary book
available for **\$35** in the Piety Stall
at the Horsham Church,
St Brigid's College and the Parish Office.*

World Day of Prayer 2024, Warracknabeal

*Date and time - Friday 1st March 2024 at 2:00 pm
Location - Anglican Church, Lyle St Warracknabeal.
Participating denominations will be involved in readings.
The focus country is Palestine.
It is intended to bring the theme of peace into the service as much as possible. All welcome*

Next Parish Luncheon (First quarter of 2024) Hosted by our St Marys Murtoa community

St. Patrick's Day theme
Murtoa, Thursday, March 14 at the Railway Hotel
12 O'clock gathering for a 12.30 start - All welcome - Car Pool

Cost - \$25 for two courses (*Roast Meat and Vegetables followed by Fruit Salad and Ice Cream*)
Booking necessary. Numbers to the Parish Office no later that Tuesday, March 12. Ph: 5382 1155



HOLY HOUR, HORSHAM
(Lenten Theme)
Friday 16th February 1 - 2pm

We are pleased to now be able to offer EFT 'Tap-n-Go' in the Horsham Church foyer. (weekends only)
For those who don't carry cash, and for visitors to the Parish, this is an easy option for **donations** in support of the Parish account.





Family Afternoon
Sunday 2:30pm 18 Feb Warracknabeal
Receive a family blessing
Play some outdoor games
Chat with other mums & dads
Bring a plate & maybe the kids
*Be blessed
Be nourished
Be encouraged*

RSVP directly by 11 Feb: 0428 991 216

Anointing

*Mons Glynn and Fr Matt seek to cover all the Nursing homes and hospitals within the Parish on a regular basis to provide the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick for Catholic residents and patients. If you are aware of any Catholic residents in Nursing Homes, 'House Bound' in their own homes, or admitted to hospitals who express a desire for the Sacrament of Anointing - please notify the Parish Office of such Parishioners and their location, across our Parish.
This can be at any time.*

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM:

Men's Fellowship: Commences Thursday 15th February
7.30 - 8.30am Breakfast (Horsham Parish Hall)

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

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

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

Sunday Mass

11th February 2024

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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

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.

LOYOLA PRESS

In today's Gospel, we continue to hear Mark report the miraculous healings that Jesus performed in Galilee. The Gospel begins with Jesus healing a man with leprosy. Leprosy is a disfiguring, infectious skin disease that has been surrounded by many social and religious taboos throughout history. In 1873, the cause of leprosy, also known as Hansen's disease, was identified. We now know that leprosy is caused by a bacterial infection. Although it is infectious, modern medical studies have shown that transmission is more difficult than previously thought. Since the 1940s, medical treatments have been available, and the patient no longer needs to be isolated once long-term treatment has begun. In Jesus' time, however, religious and social taboos dictated the behavior of those with leprosy and other skin diseases. The Law of Moses provided for the examination of skin diseases by the priests, and if leprosy was identified, the person was declared unclean. People with leprosy lived in isolation from the community. They were instructed to rip their clothes and to announce their presence with loud cries when moving in the community. If the sores of leprosy healed, the Law of Moses provided a purification rite that permitted the person to return to the community. In today's Gospel, the man with leprosy took the initiative, approaching Jesus and asking for healing. In doing so, the leper violated the religious customs of the day by approaching a person who was clean. His request to Jesus can be interpreted as

a courageous and daring act. The confidence of the leper in Jesus' ability to heal him is evident in the words of his request. But his words can also be read as a challenge to Jesus, asking just how far Jesus was willing to extend himself in order to heal someone. While healing the man, Jesus touched him, which also violated established social norms. This is an important sign of the depth of Jesus' compassion for the man and an important statement about Jesus' interpretation of the Law of Moses. Although Jesus touched the leper, he did not break completely with the Law of Moses. He instructed the man not to tell anyone about the cure and told him to present himself to the priests as prescribed by the Law of Moses. The first instruction sounds nearly impossible to honor. Certainly, the man would want to share the good news of his healing, and his quick improvement would require an explanation. The second instruction honors the Law of Moses. Mark's Gospel tells us that after this healing, it became difficult for Jesus to travel freely. There are several possible explanations for this. There might have been concern about the repercussions of Jesus' breach of social and religious norms. In touching the man with leprosy, Jesus made himself unclean. Mark's narrative, however, leads to the conclusion that Jesus' movement was hampered by his popularity. Despite his instructions, the cured man spread the word about Jesus' healing power. Even when Jesus was in deserted places, people sought him out in search of his healing.

Next Weekend's Readings: **First Sunday of Lent**

1st Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 24:4-9

Response: Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15