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Last Weekends Collections
Warrack:
 Planned Giving: \$ 62:40
 Presbytery: \$ 136:40
Hopetoun:
 Presbytery: \$
Hopetoun, Beulah, Rainbow:
 Planned Giving: \$
Beulah:
 Presbytery: \$ 64:50
Nhill:
 Planned Giving: \$87.00
 Presbytery: \$84.00
Minyip for the month of October
 Planned Giving: \$ 441:00

WEEKEND MASS TIMES
1st & 3rd weekend of the Month
1st Saturday: Warrack at 6.30pm
3rd Saturday: Beulah at 7.00pm
1st Sunday: Hopetoun at 9.00am
 Beulah at 10:30am
3rd Sunday: Hopetoun at 9.00am
 Rainbow at 11:00am
2nd & 4th weekend of the Month
Saturday: Minyip at 6.30pm
Sunday: Warrack at 8:30am
 Nhill at 10:30am
5th Weekend of Month
 To be advised each time

Lay Led Assemblies are held when no Mass is scheduled:

Hopetoun Sunday: 9.00am
 Rainbow Sunday: 10.00am
 Beulah Sunday: 9.30am
 Warracknabeal Sunday: 9.00am
 Minyip Sunday: 10.00am
 Nhill Sunday: 10.00am
 Kaniva Sunday: 9.00am

Next Weekend Mass Times
4th Sunday of Advent
20th December 2015

Saturday - Beulah: 7:00pm
 Sunday - Hopetoun: 9:00am
 - Rainbow: 11:00am

Pray for our Sick
 Marj Parker, Tammy Grayling, Una Bartlett and Betty Hallam.

Feast Days of the Week
 Monday, 14th December: St. John of the Cross

THIS WEEKENDS ROSTER 13 / 12 / 2015

Nhill	Reader & Prayers	Eucharistic Minister	Offertory Procession	Monthly Collector	Counter	Cleaner
MASS - 10:30am	C Kennedy	M Devanny	L Welsch	J Millington	J Kennedy	J Gurry

NEXT WEEKENDS ROSTER 20 / 12 / 2015

Nhill	Lay Leaders	Reader & Prayers	Eucharistic Minister	Monthly Collector	Counter	Cleaner
LLA - 10:00am	M Millington & L Fraser	J Gurry	A Munro	J Millington	E Cameron	J Gurry



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Leader: The Advent wreath is a circle with no beginning and no end. It is a symbol of God's unending love and faithful ness.

Isaiah the prophet calls us to prepare for the coming of Jesus by making straight all that is crooked.

We hear:
 "In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

An appointed person now lights three candles on the wreath.

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Loving God,

You sent John the Baptist as a voice crying out in the desert, open our ears to hear his message and shape our lives so that they will become a straight path to you.

We light this pink candle in joy, the joy that we have in Jesus, our Saviour the one who is anointed by God to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners.
 Let us prepare, then, the way of the Lord.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Recent Deaths

Leura Dart

COLUMBAN CALENDARS.

There are still some for sale at the back of the church.

Sunday, December 13th
3rd Sunday of Advent

Prayer
Loving God,
 We pray for those who have suffered the injustice, humiliation and pain of any abuse - within our churches and the wider communities across Australia.
 In your mercy, create opportunities for these men, women and children to share their pain, reveal their struggles and expose the hurtful actions of others.
 We pray for **wisdom and guidance** in order to deal with the realities of what has happened in the past.
 We pray for **healing** for those who have been abused. Strengthen them and their carers with the certainty of your love.
 We pray for **sensitivity and wisdom** to all who minister to the victims and survivors of abuse.
 We pray that into the future, children everywhere will be **protected** from all forms of violence.
 We pray that the Church responds with **love and action** in order to heal injustices.
 We pray for **ourselves** in this school community that we will remain a positive force and help us to spread the love of God to all.
 May your Spirit draw us together and strengthen all of us with the truth of the Gospel.

Next Weeks Readings:
First Reading: Mic: 5: 1-4
Second Reading: Heb: 10: 5-10
Gospel: Lk: 1: 39-44

Nhill News

End of Year School Mass: Parishioners are cordially invited to our Mass and tea on this Wednesday, December 16 at 6pm to celebrate the end of the School Year. Please let Kathy or Ann know if you are coming. We hope to see you there!!

Farewell: Please stay today for a finger lunch and say good bye to Marg Devanny. She will be surely missed by us all and we thank her most sincerely for her wonderful contribution over the past 12 years that she and her family have lived in Nhill. We wish them all the very best for the future. Thank you Marg.

St Patrick's School & Parish Raffle. Please be sure to buy some tickets today, if you haven't already done so. There are a number of excellent prizes to be won and we sincerely thank the School for their generosity with this fund raising event. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday night.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Pope Francis has announced an Extraordinary Jubilee - Holy Year of Mercy to commence on December 8, 2015, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and will conclude on Sunday, November 20, 2016, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. All are invited to attend the Opening of the Door of Mercy at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat by Bishop Paul Bird CSsR on Sunday, December 13, 2015, 10.30am. Refreshments will follow the Mass.

THANK YOU

"A big thank you and congratulations to Cynthia (Hopetoun) on the great job she does in the organisation of special masses, school mass, confirmation mass, 25th anniversary etc. All such occasions are planned to the smallest detail. This takes a lot of time and organisation and we thank her for great effort which is greatly appreciated by St Joseph's Parishioners.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:

Christmas Eve: 5:00pm at Nhill
 7:00pm at Rainbow
 9:00pm at Hopetoun
Christmas Day: 8:30am at Warracknabeal

