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Last Weekends Collections

Warrack:	
Planned Giving	\$62.00
Presbytery	\$158.00
Nhill [4 weeks]	
Planned giving	\$863.00
Presbytery	\$549.00
Holy Places	\$175.00
Raffle	\$180.00
Minyip	
Planned Giving	\$30.00
Presbytery	\$58.00

Pray for our Sick

Una Bartlett
Pat Sonogo
Fred Webb

Sunday, April 30, 3rd Sunday of Easter

Next week's Readings
1st Reading: Acts 2:14, 36-41
2nd Reading: 1 Pet 2:20-25
Gospel Jn:10:1-10

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ANZAC DAY—Thanks to those families who were able to attend the ANZAC Day ceremony as part of our school group on Tuesday. Thanks to Amber and Daniel for laying the wreath on our behalf. Thanks also to Kylie O'Conner for creating it. The Warracknabeal Sub Branch wish to thank our school and students for purchase of Anzac badges.

Mothers Day— Parent's Club are kicking off term 2 with a Mothers Day raffle. Families are asked to donate 'motherly treats' to put towards our prize. Our hamper prizes will be drawn on Friday 12 May at our Mothers Day celebrations.

Resourcesmart school update— Our resourcesmart School 5 Star Presentation will take place on Saturday May 27. This is a very special occasion for St Marys Primary School.

As part of our Sustainability and Inquiry this term, Lentils (year 5/6) visited the creek. Many photos and observations were made regarding the natural and damaged state of the creek.

Students took the initiative to collect recycling and waste items to better the environment. Congratulation Lentils on you continued efforts to improve our world.

My Dear Parishioners,

Life is always on the move and everything is changing or developing, whether we like it or not, our time will eventually come to an end. As our age grows and our body changes. As in the world technology and science are advanced more than the past. Nothing in this life remains the same; only God is unchanging and constant in His love, at all times. In a parish, from time to time, a new priest is appointed and the parish adapts to the new spiritual leader of the community. Back in June 2012 I was appointed as an administrator of the parishes of Nhill and Hopetoun. Later in October of 2012, I was asked to take on Warracknabeal parish as well, following the death of Fr. Peter.

Following the appointment I willingly started my ministry to the dedicated and committed parishioners of Warracknabeal, Hopetoun and Nhill. I could see from the start that the people here were strong in their faith and in their desire to serve God and one another. That was easy enough for me to lead the people to witness Jesus. This gave me an encouragement and satisfaction in my ministry. Life is not a bed of roses. It was true in saying; when I looked back my time here. We have lost so many wonderful parishioners and have mourned for them and celebrated their wonderful life that they had with us, but we also had some happy occasions to laugh and have fun.

I say a big thank you for all your support and cooperation, care and friendship, hospitality and welcome, prayers and blessings that you gave me during my stay here in this parish. I can honestly say that it has been the most rewarding and the best parish community that I have encountered. I trust that you will give the same love and support to the new priest Fr. Alex Lim, as I take my leave.

Finally, I want to thank the people who have helped me to administer this parish, the secretaries past and present, Jacki Hogan, Cath Bellis, Ann Munro, Kath White, Brenda Naylor and Margaret Murphy, every member of the Parish Leadership Teams (Parish Councils), Finance Committees, The Treasurers, Mary Cantwell and Mary Walder, Sacristans, Special Ministers and Lay Leaders of the liturgy of each respective parish community, St Vincent de Paul Society, Catholic Ladies Club, and also I extend my thanks to Maureen Lardner, Jodi Lardner, Michael Murphy, Peter Heenan Joan and Ben Bentley who were helping to put things order at the presbytery. It is hard to leave you, but as I said in the beginning of this farewell message, change is inevitable and all of us have to adjust to it.

May the Good Lord continue guide in your faith journey and bless you all.
"May the road rise to greet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand".

All the best and God bless you all.

Next Weekend's Mass Times
Sunday, May 7
Nhill Mass at 10.00am
Please note change of time and tell any of our parishioners.

Information from Fr Peter Hudson, PP of Horsham

Next weekend, May 7th, our Parish assumes responsibility for the Parish of Nhill and Kaniva.

Mass Times will be from next Sunday:

1st and 3rd Sundays:

Horsham: Saturday 6.30. Sunday 10.30
Dimboola: Sunday 8.30am
Murtoa: Sunday 8.30am
Nhill: Sunday 10.00am.

2nd Sunday:

Horsham: Saturday 6.30. Sunday 10.30
Dimboola: Sunday 8.30am
Murtoa: Sunday 10.30am

4th Sunday:

Horsham: Saturday 6.30. Sunday 10.30
Natimuk: Sunday 8.30am
Dimboola: Sunday 8.30am
Murtoa: Sunday 10.30am

5th Sunday:

Horsham: Saturday 6.30. Sunday 10.30

Dimboola or Murtoa will alternate Sunday 8.30am Mass.

These arrangements are subject to change depending on Priest availability. We are very grateful to Fr John for his availability to help with this arrangement. On the 5th Sunday Fr John will have a break from coming here.

Please pray for the success of these arrangements. Like our arrangement with Rupanyup, we will have a Home Mass in Kaniva once or more a month, depending on circumstances.

Liturgy Roster

Please take home with you today a revised liturgy roster. As mentioned above our Lay Led Assemblies will be on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month.

Project Compassion

Please remember to return your Project Compassion Share Pack Envelopes or boxes by next weekend. Thank you.

Mass Counts start on weekend May 6th - 7th 2017

The Annual Diocesan Mass Count will take place over the 4 weekends of May commencing on the weekend of May 6th - 7th.

One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies

A global prayer event will be held on May 5-7 for people to participate wherever they are at the time, by praying at least one rosary for an end to abortion.

Pastoral Letter

The "Pastoral Letter to the Catholics of Victoria" regarding euthanasia and assisted suicide is at the back of the church today. Please take a copy home with you.