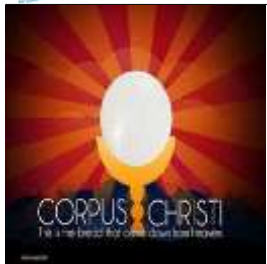


Ss Michael & John's Parish

Dimboola – Horsham – Murtoa – Natimuk - Rupanyup - Nhill

BULLETIN

Corpus Christi - 18th June 2017



- We are now in the **Ordinary Time of the Church Year.**
- Sunday Readings are from Year A.
- Weekday Readings are from Year 1.
- This week is the 11th Week in Ordinary Time (June 18-24)

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We welcome the children, their families and sponsors, as they celebrate their Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

May the Holy Spirit guide their lives to live as God's people in love and peace, and may Jesus in Holy Communion sustain and strengthen their lives with his loving presence. I thank Alison McKinnon for co-ordinating our Sacramental Program, SMJ School and parents for their support and teaching.

We welcome and pray for these children

Saturday: Jaida Doran, Chelsea Ellis, Lewis Hofmaier, Wynter James, Miguel Marcial, Angus Minter, Violet McGennisken, Olivia Tepper, Brodie Tepper, Lani Watson.

Sunday: Lily Jones, Jarhyn McGrath, Max Murray, Henry Overman, Marrie Sellens.

Funeral Mass for Carmela Baviello is Thursday at 11am.
Rosary Wednesday at 6.30pm

PRAYER FOR THE SICK and CARERS

Compassionate and ever-loving God, You are the source and creator of all healing power. We entrust our sick brothers and sisters 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 when they experience pain. May You be their source of hope in moments of despair, woundedness and sorrow. May You be their inspiration and solace when they are unable to lift their hearts, minds and voices to You in prayer. Bless them all with the courage and faith to place their trust in your healing touch and your healing love. Bless **caregivers**, as channels of your love for they are your very hands on this earth. Give them gentleness as they help those who are sick, that they respect the dignity and value of the sick to You. Give them patience as they manage their time, to best serve those who are needful of their care. Give them courage 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, as they walk the path of pain and sadness with the sick. Bless the **ministry** of those who take Holy Communion to the sick, elderly, and those in Homes and in the Hospital.

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Principal: Gary Typuszak
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We welcome Fr John.

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ANOINTING MASS
for Winter
this **WEDNESDAY**
June 21st at 2pm
in SMJ Church.

Cuppa in Hall after. CWL
Ladies one plate please.
All welcome.

Please note new day

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Coughlin Park Board of Management Meeting for this Monday is cancelled.



This Friday June 23 the Feast of the Sacred Heart, SMJ, SBC, St Patrick's Nhill

will celebrate the **Mass for the Poor**

in SMJ Church at **11.30**
Students have brought to their school items of non-perishable food, which will be brought up in baskets at the Offertory Procession, and given to St Vincent de Paul and the Christian Emergency Food Centre. *All families welcome*

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 20th June	5.30pm	Marj Martin anniv.
Wednesday 21st	2pm	Anointing Mass. St Aloysius Gonzaga.
Thursday 22nd June	11am	Funeral. Sts John Fisher & Thomas More
Friday 23rd June	11.30	Sacred Heart. Dominic Vajel anniv
Saturday 24th June	10am	St John the Baptist. Brent Williams

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



Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: London fire victims, Carmela Baviello, Doreen McPhee (Kaniva), Carmel Seibolt (Mullimimby), Geoff Torney (Ballarat), Don Johns, Harry John, John Melican (Warrnambool, Fr Bill's brother)

ANNIVERSARIES: Marj Martin, Elizabetta Colosimo, Keith Ellis, Jim O'Connor, Laurie Higgins, Gerald Liston, Alice Liston, John Matthew Brennan, Harry Perrett, Molly Whitley, Brent Williams, Brendan Keilar, Paul Smith, Dominic Vajel, Peg Byrne,

SICK: Corey Panozzo, Ruby Spasic, Kobe Davidson, Peter Kelly, Brian Rice, Carmel Cannard, Joy Flynn, John Coleman, Madeleine Cameron, Joan Glen, Lynn Cooper, Francis Mitchell, Judy Francisco, Xavier Reicha, Jill & Christine Higginbottom, Lorrain Holland, Joan White, Terry Turvey, Maureen Ryan, Kate O'Beirne, Ken Dowsley

Emergency Care: Contact Betty 53826688

Confessions on Saturday after 10am Mass (10.25)

Each Saturday Morning:

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9 to 9.20
Rosary 9.30. Prayer of the Church 9.40. Mass 10am**

**Next Sunday 4th Sunday of the Month
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 25th June 2017**

Horsham Saturday - 6.30pm. Sunday - 10.30am

Dimboola **Sunday AWC 8.30am**

Natimuk **Sunday Mass 8.30 am**

Murtoa **Sunday Mass 8.30am**

**Rosary, Litany of Mary & Divine Mercy Chaplet
HORSHAM Wednesdays at 4.30pm. All welcome.**

Regular Activities in the Parish

Mother's Prayer Group Fortnightly Every Wednesday 2.00pm Church Meeting Room Contact Marina 5382 1047

Craft Group Every Monday - Parish Meeting Room Mornings - 9.30am to 11.30am. Evening - 7pm to 9pm. BYO Craft - Gold Coin Donation. Contact Anita at Parish Office

Meditation Group: Church Meeting Room Tuesdays 2.00pm.

CWL Meetings 1st Tuesday of Month 1.30pm. Meeting Room.

Men's Group Breakfast meetings 3rd Thursday of month at 7.30am in the Parish Centre. Contact Patrick 0428847455

St Vincent de Paul Conference. Meets twice monthly. Available Monday & Friday 11am-2pm for assistance. Phone 53812371

BAPTISM PREPARATION. 3rd Thursday of month at 7.30pm. For appointment contact Parish Office 53821155.

CHOIR PRACTICE 2nd Wednesday 6pm in the Church

Church Piety Stall. Gifts for all Sacraments, cards, medals

Affordable Counselling from Centacare Ballarat, for families, individuals. **Free Call** 1300 303 988 for appointment

PARISH DATES:

Parish Mission with Fr Richard Leonard SJ from October 28th to November 1st. Theme: *Living a contemporary Church life of faith, hope, love.*

Parish Acknowledgement Dinner for Sr Jacinta Sunday November 26th at Coughlin Park at 12nn.

Sunday November 12th:SMJ School Spring Fete

Diocesan Liturgy Formation Day: Sunday 18th February 2018 with Bishop Paul Bird and others.

ROSTERS

17/18 June	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Newton Cathy Taylor Pat Glaubitz Bernadette Trounce Maree Plazzer Bob Hayes John Parker	Tim Lannen Mary Dalgleish Russell Reid Zita Cannane Kingsley Dalgleish Anna Robertson Andrea Cox
24/25 June	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
Readers	Micky Robarts	Louise Kemp
Commentator	John Foster	Dianne Noy
Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Newton Cathy Taylor Pat Glaubitz Bernadette Trounce Maree Plazzer Bob Hayes John Parker	Tim Lannen Mary Dalgleish Russell Reid Zita Cannane Kingsley Dalgleish Anna Robertson Andrea Cox
Projector	Anita Masiero	Shayne Keenan
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Teresa Bottoms
Welcomers	Garry & Betty Heinrich	Alistair Castle Sharon Creasey
Prayers	Lesley Price & Mary Dalgleish	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	25th June Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn Maureen McInerney	2nd July Zita Cannane Mary Lawson Lorraine Clancy Veronica Barker

FINANCE: 1st Collection (Presbytery Account):

Natimuk	\$	Murtoa	\$ 110.00
Horsham	\$ 916.00	Dimboola	\$ 53.00
Total			\$ 1079.00

Knights of the Southern Cross \$ 188.00

2nd Collection (Parish Account)

Envelopes	\$ 1176.00	Loose	\$ 105.60
Total			\$ 1281.60

Making Connections: Each time you gather for a meal this week with family or friends, make a special blessing of the food which you will share. Sustain and nourish others this week. Did you Know?: Points of interest and Catholic lore. In John's Gospel, the Eucharist is instituted by Christ in the sharing of the loaves and fishes, not at the Last Supper which he had with his friends on the night before he died. For John, the central act of that Last Supper was the washing of the feet of the disciples—an act of service to others.

Marriage Tip: Do you tend to talk more than listen? Today, make the effort to listen to your spouse as much as you talk to them.

Daily Prayer: The bread we break is our sharing in the body of Christ, and the cup of blessing is our sharing in the blood of Christ. At this table nourish us, sustain us, form us as your people. Thus may many become one, and all who hunger and thirst be fed at our table.

A Vocation View: That we can collaborate with God is a humbling truth. That God lives among us is startling. That we are the Body of Christ is our vocation.

Pope Francis, Communications Day 2017: "Amid the dramatic events of our time, shine like beacons in the darkness of this world, shedding light along the way and opening ever new paths of confidence and hope."

'Commitment to mission is not something added on to the Christian life, but is an essential element of faith itself. A relationship with the Lord entails being sent out into the world as prophets of his word and witnesses of his love.'

COUNTRY MASS TIMES in JUNE

Sunday June 25: Natimuk 8.30. Dimboola AWC 8.30. Murtoa 8.30

Sunday July 2: Dimboola 8.30. Nhill 10am. Murtoa 8.30

Sunday July 9: Dimboola 8.30. Nhill 10am. Murtoa 8.30

Sunday July 16: Dimboola 8.30. Murtoa AWC 9am.



St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal *Together We Can Do Heroic Things*

The Society's members and Volunteers provide practical support, advocacy and friendship to the vulnerable in our community, assistance to Migrants and Refugees seeking to rebuild their

lives in our country, as well as supporting individuals and Communities in developing Countries.

How Can You Help?

Make a financial donation. Envelopes available in the Narthex. (Donations are Tax deductible)

Donation of Goods

Donations of clean quality clothing, furniture, blankets, doonas, household goods can be left at the Vinnies Centre.

Contact the Centre for furniture etc to be picked up

You can bring non-perishable food to Mass

Thank you for your great generosity to last week's Leaving Collection. \$570 was collected.

WE ENCOUNTER CHRIST IN IN THE POOR

In his message for the **first World Day of the Poor**, Pope Francis said that the suffering and broken bodies of the poor are where we encounter the body of Christ- and to know Christ we must know the poor. "If we truly wish to encounter Christ, we have to touch his body in the suffering bodies of the poor, as a response to the sacramental communion bestowed in the Eucharist," "The Body of Christ, broken in the sacred liturgy, can be seen, through charity and sharing, in the faces and persons of the most vulnerable of our brothers and sisters." "We may think of the poor simply as the beneficiaries of our occasional volunteer work, or of impromptu acts of generosity that appease our conscience," "I want to offer the Church this World Day of the Poor, so that throughout the world, Christian communities can become an ever greater sign of Christ's charity for the least and those most in need," "This new World Day, is a powerful appeal to our consciences as believers, allowing us to grow in the conviction that sharing with the poor enables us to understand the deepest truth of the Gospel."

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The Parish Pastoral Council has formed a Committee to further investigate aspects for the most appropriate way our Memorial Wall can help Parishioners pray for and remember loved ones and others who have died

Code of Conduct. We have uploaded onto the Parish Website the Code of Conduct that complies with Government Child Safety Protocols. Parish staff, volunteers, contractors, Parish Council, Liturgical Ministers, Children's Liturgy are expected to **sign off on this Document** .

Copies of the Document for the above people to sign are at the Parish Office. Please call in any time to sign this Document.



June 18th to June 24th



The Refugee Council of Australia has

chosen **"With courage let us all combine"** as the theme for Refugee Week in Australia for 2017. Taken from the second verse of the national anthem, the theme celebrates the courage of refugees and of people who speak out against persecution and injustice. It serves as a call for unity and for positive action, encouraging Australians to improve our nation's welcome for refugees and to acknowledge the skills and energy refugees bring to their new home.

Young People

Pope Francis wants to hear from you! An online survey is seeking opinions and perspectives of young people (16-29) as part of a national consultation process that will inform the world-wide Synod on Youth that Pope Francis is convening in October 2018. The survey closes on 2 July 2017. Access the survey on the Ballarat Diocese website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au For more information: youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au or 5337 7125. Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) is on December 5 – 7 in Sydney.

Interested in learning more about the Catholic faith?



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

We welcome inquirers into the Catholic Faith, or anyone who may wish to improve their knowledge of our Catholic Faith, to join our RCIA Program this year. The Program enables people to ask questions, and to be guided by our Parish Team, to be informed and understand the life, Sacraments, Prayer and pastoral outreach of our Church. Inquirers, or anyone who may be interested, are invited to contact the Parish Office on 53821155.

Parish Pastoral Council Members: Chris Robarts (Chair), Mary Marshall, Peter Gutteridge, Andrea Cox, Fr Peter, Gary Typuszack, Alison McKinnon, Lesley Price, Daryl Wren, Bob Pritchett, Garry Heinrich, Joan Lane-Storey,

Child Safety Standards. Ss Michael & John Parish has appointed Bob Pritchett as 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 in the Parish. Our Parish is committed to be a child safe community

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 8:2-3. 14-1

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart - whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord. 'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 147:12-15. 19-

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.
O praise the Lord, Jerusalem! Zion, praise your God! He has

strengthened the bars of your gates, he has blessed the children within you.

He established peace on your borders, he feeds you with finest wheat. He sends out his word to the earth and swiftly runs his command. He makes his word known to Jacob, to Israel his laws and decrees. He has not dealt thus with other nations; he has not taught them his decrees. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

Acclamation: John 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!



Gospel: John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Reflection on Gospel - Corpus Christi Sr Veronica Lawson rsm

Bread is staple food for much of the world's population. It is also a metaphor for the food that sustains the life of the human community. Being able to "put bread on the table" is the concern of every parent. Bread means life. Jesus' claim to be "the living bread" is a unique expression paralleled by his earlier claim to be "living water". It teases the reader with the possibility of multiple meanings. It refers at one level to food that gives life; at another, it is the gift of God's life. As we reflect on the symbolism of bread, we attend also to the plight of those without bread. While there is sufficient "bread" to satisfy the hunger of everyone on the planet, over one billion people are desperately hungry, some seven million South Sudanese among them as the civil war in their country continues. Today's gospel passage belongs within a section

of John's gospel generally called the Bread of Life Discourse. Some scholars suggest that the discourse as a whole is cast in the form of a synagogue homily. In this view, it is a rabbinic exposition of Exodus 16:4 and Psalm 78:4-5 on the manna/bread that God rains from heaven. In John 6:51-58, there are allusions to Eucharist as both meal and sacrifice. Jesus is the manna or bread from heaven. Life comes from eating his flesh/body. It also comes from drinking his blood. For the ancient Israelites, the life was in the blood. Blood poured out is life poured out. To drink the wine/blood is to participate in the life of Christ poured out. A simple analogy from my own context might help us to grasp something of the mystery that we call Eucharist. My home town, Ballarat, is the site of the Eureka rebellion. The Eureka flag is housed in a place of honour in the Museum of Australian Democracy at

Eureka. At one level, this flag is fabric and thread. At another, it far transcends the materials from which it is crafted. These materials were transformed, possibly by women from my own parish, into a symbol of freedom for the Eureka rebels. In the process, they changed their purpose and meaning; so too with the bread and wine of our Eucharistic celebrations. They have become, in a very real though mysterious sense, the body and blood of Christ. This Sunday we take time to reflect on Eucharist, the mystery we celebrate from week to week. While we reflect on this mystery, we ground our faith in action designed to address the issue of global hunger and the circumstances that inhibit access to "bread" for all. The feast of the Body and Blood of Christ invites us to careful consumption of the world's resources so that all God's people and all God's creatures might have life.

Next Sundays Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33. 12th Sunday Ordinary Time Yr A

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops. 'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows. 'So if anyone

declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

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Jubilarians' Mass

On Tuesday June 27th Bishop Paul will celebrate 5.00 pm Mass in the Cathedral to celebrate the jubilees of ordination of Frs John McKinnon and Kevin Murphy (60 years), Greg Tait (25 years) and Bishop Peter Connors (30 years episcopal anniversary). All Parishioners are invited to attend.

A Prayer for June *Lord, our Father, the beautiful and harmonious world that you have created, has strayed so far from your dream. Wars and divisions are still present, and are often caused and maintained only because of greed. The arms trade is one of the main reasons for the prolongation of wars, so often supported by the rulers themselves. Lord, touch the hearts of the rulers, blinded by the arms trade, and may they consider the consequences of their greed: the destruction and death of so many innocents. Convert our hearts to the peace and good of every human being.*