



Ss Michael & John's Parish

Dimboola – Horsham – Murtoa – Natimuk - Rupanyup - Nhill

BULLETIN



Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ - 3rd June 2018



Corpus Christi

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We welcome Fr John.

This Friday 8th June
Feast of the Sacred Heart
Schools Gifting Mass
in SMJ Church at **11.30am**
SBC Yrs 7-9, SMJ, OLHC,
St Patrick's Nhill will attend
The children carry baskets
of the food items they have
brought to School, to the
Altar in the Offertory
Procession. St Vincent de
Paul will take these items
after Mass for distribution
to the needy of our
community and to the
Christian Food Centre.
**Your food items are
welcome at the Mass**

SS. MICHAEL AND JOHN'S PRESENT:

FAITH ON TAP

*We talk all things faith, theology and
living as a Christian in our society.*

1st Monday of the Month

**This Monday June 4th
at the Vic Hotel Beer Garden,
7pm to 9pm**

**Order a meal and drink,
Speaker starts at 7.30.**

**Contact James and Ema-Lee Rowe
0431053345**

All over 18yo are welcome.

Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist

**Parent Preparation Meeting for
these Sacraments
this Tuesday June 5th at 7.30pm
in the Parish Centre.**

Information Booklets will be given
out, and details of Parent and Child
Cluster Groups and other
information will be discussed.

- **CWL Meeting** this Tuesday June 5th at 1.30pm in the Meeting Room.
- The final Diocesan Mass Count is at all Masses this weekend.
- ◆ Next Sunday June 10th returns to Ordinary Time Week 10, Year B

PRAYER : SICK and CARERS

Compassionate and ever-loving God, You are the source and creator of all healing power. We entrust the sick to your loving care. We pray your blessings upon those who care in their own homes, those who work in hospitals, nursing homes, hospice care, palliative care. May You be their source of comfort when they experience pain, their source of hope in times of despair, sorrow, woundedness. Be their inspiration and solace when they are unable to lift their hearts, minds and voices to You in prayer. Bless them with the courage and faith to place their trust in your healing touch and your healing love. Bless **caregivers**, as channels of your love, they are your very hands on earth. Give them gentleness as they help the sick, to respect their dignity. Give them patience as they manage their time, to best serve those who are in need 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, to walk with the sick in pain and sadness. Bless the **ministry** of those who take Holy Communion to the sick, elderly, and those in Homes and in Hospital.



CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

this Monday in
the Church
Meeting Room
7pm to 9pm.
All welcome.

Contact Eileen McManus
on 5382 4745

*A time of prayer for the gifts of the
Holy Spirit and Wisdom to guide our
Church to the Plenary Council*

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 5th June	5.30pm	St Boniface. World Environment Day
Wednesday 6th June	9.30am	Sr Marcellin Terry Bottoms anniv.
Thursday 7th June	9.30am	Ken Kennedy, Vern Jobe annivs.
Friday 8th June	11.30am	Sacred Heart of Jesus Gifting Mass
Saturday 9th June	10.00am	Immaculate Heart of Mary

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:

ANNIVERSARIES: Ann Buwalda, Ned Moloney, Terry Bottoms, Rita Mugavin, Vern Jobe, Ken Kennedy

SICK: Brian Rice, Carmel Cannard, Jean Ivess Joan Glen, Debbie Nolan, Lorrain Holland, Ken Dowsley, Jill & Christine Higginbottom, Maureen Ryan, Fleur Armstrong, Peter Kelly, Heather McPhee, Maurice Brennan, Felicity Taylor, Una Bartlett, Sr Geraldine Stapleton, Kobe Davidson, Corey Panozzo, Ruby Spasic, Rosetta Cafarella, Carmel Hernon, Betty Fitzgerald, Bill McGrath

Emergency Care: Contact Betty 53826688

Saturday Devotions: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9am. Rosary 9.20. Morning Prayer of the Church. Mass 10am. CONFESSIONS 10.25am

**Next Sunday 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2nd Sunday of the Month 10th June**

Horsham **Saturday - 6.30pm. Sunday - 10.30am**

Murtoa **Sunday Mass 8.30am**

Nhill **Sunday Mass 10.00am**

Dimboola **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 - 9.30 -11.30 Evening - 7- 9. BYO Craft - Gold Coin Donation.

Meditation Group: Church Meeting Room Tuesdays 2.00pm.

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

Men's Group Meeting will be at the 3rd Thursday of the month in the Parish Centre. Contact Patrick 0428847455

St Vincent de Paul Conference. Meets twice monthly. Available Monday & Friday 11am-12pm for assistance. Phone 53812371

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

Catholic Charismatic Renewal Group meets in the Church Meeting Room every Monday from 7pm—9pm. For further information contact Eileen McManus on 5382 4745

CHOIR PRACTICE 2nd Wednesday 6pm in the Church

Marriage Tip: You think you're right. Your spouse thinks the opposite. Neither of you wins by making the other wrong. Try giving the benefit of the doubt to your beloved.

Daily Prayer: Faithful God, whose everlasting covenant with us is sealed in the blood of Christ, be present in our midst, in the assembly of your people: For all that you command us we will do. In the book of the covenant, speak to our hearts. By the blood of the covenant, purify our consciences. As we give thanks with bread and cup for the mercy that has found us, gather all your children in forgiveness.

A Vocation View: Through the ministry of our ordained priests, we receive Holy Communion. Through the Body and Blood of Christ, we are made one body: to become Christ-like ... purified ... ready to serve. Pray for Vocations.

The Holy Spirit calls us to mission. Faith demands a response. The moment we encounter Jesus, we are to go out to all, proclaiming the Good News to all creation. As you fulfil this mission, as it becomes your deepest identity, know that the Holy Spirit will be with you, working through you.

ROSTERS

2/3 June	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Newton John Parker Lorraine Clancy Pat Glaubitz Micky Robarts Geoff Simpson Anthony Amor	Cate Rigby Tim Lannen Mary Dalgleish Sr Manuela Zita Cannane Anna Robertson Karen Hill
Commentator	Sr Jacinta Rice	Kingsley Dalgleish
9/10 June	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
Readers	Peter Gutteridge	Andrea Cox
Commentator	Garry Heinrich	Michael Connellan
Eucharistic Ministers	Simon Lynch Bob Hayes Joan Parker Tess Hayes Cathy Taylor Sr Jacinta Rice Sr Tirsia Bales	Kingsley Dalgleish Neville Strachan Lynda Hutchinson Rosie Taylor Bob Pritchett Alison McKinnon Faye Wills
Projector	Gerard Natividad	Gabby Mills
Musicians	Fillipino Choir	Men's Choir
Welcomers	Bob & Tess Hayes	Denise Vallance Mary Brown
Children's Liturgy		Robert
Prayers	Lesley Price & Mary Dalgleish	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	10th June Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn Maureen McInerney	17th June Zita Cannane Mary Lawson Lorraine Clancy Veronica Barker

FINANCE: 1st Collection (Presbytery Account):

Natimuk	\$ 30.00	Murtoa	\$ 175.00
Horsham	\$ 834.00	Dimboola	\$ 58.00
Total			\$ 1097.00

2nd Collection (Parish Account)

Envelopes	\$ 1275.00	Loose	\$
Credit Card	\$	Direct Debit	\$
Total			\$

Making Connections: Find ways to pour yourself out for others this week. Jesus' own prayer life was nourished by the Psalms. Pray today's Responsorial Psalm often this week: How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me? The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.

Sharing the Tradition: Just as the Jewish Passover not only recalled the Exodus experience but made it present again, so too does the Eucharistic celebration of Christians. The Eucharist celebrates and makes present the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus and calls us to live this sacrifice in our own lives each day. Saying 'amen' to the body of Christ means we become what we eat! There are huge implications to this. • In what ways can you give your life for others?

Living the Word: How does our community give its life for others? What community ministries are available for us to become involved in?

The Holy Spirit calls us to community. The Church is the Body of Christ, called to unity in one faith, one baptism, one God. It is within the context of a community centred on Christ, that faith truly comes to life.

The Holy Spirit calls us to holiness, to live our lives inspired by a love worthy of Christ. This means constantly striving to refine our faith, deepening in our relationship with Jesus, and seek charity, selflessness, gentleness, patience.

COUNTRY MASS TIMES:

Sunday June 10: Dimboola 8.30. Murtoa 8.30. Nhill 10.
Sunday June 17: Dimboola 8.30. Murtoa 8.30. Nhill 10.
Sunday June 24: Natimuk 8.30. Dimboola 8.30.
Murtoa 10.30
Sunday July 1: Murtoa Mass 8.30. Dimboola AWC 8.30
Sunday July 8: Murtoa 8.30. Dimboola 8.30. Nhill 10am



St Vincent de Paul Annual Winter Appeal

Commences at the beginning of June. Envelopes are available at the Piety Store in the Church for donations.

So far this year we have had 80

calls for assistance from people in distress - this takes many forms, eg: financial, homelessness, with requests for help with bills, medication and food.

We welcome donations of quality clean clothing, clean second-hand fridges, washing machines (in working order). Donations of above to be left at the Centre or call 5382 4003

Pat Strachan President.

Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist

Sacrament Mass Dates:

Saturday August 11th at 6.30 Mass
Sunday August 12th at 10.30 Mass
Saturday August 18th at 6.30 Mass
Sunday August 19th at 10.30 Mass
♦ Sacraments at Murtoa on Sunday Oct 14, 10.30

Today's Feast of Corpus Christi is Latin for The Body of Christ. The 2011 Roman Missal calls this the solemn feast of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Today, with the world-wide Church, we celebrate our faith that the consecrated Bread and Wine is Christ really, personally and sacramentally present among us as the Body and Blood of Christ. It was Pope St Pius X who said that children were eligible to receive Holy Communion when they recognised the difference between the Eucharist and ordinary bread and wine.

During his address at the National Catholic Prayer Breakfast in Washington, US House Speaker Paul Ryan called on Catholics to embrace the social doctrine of the Church. Mr Ryan, a Republican who last month announced that he would not seek re-election to Congress at the end of his term, invoked Pope Francis, who "called all Catholics to be healers of the walking wounded." Paul Ryan said: "Let us recommit ourselves to living not just successful lives, but the faithful lives that the grace of God makes possible for all of us. Let us recapture these beautiful, unifying principles of Catholic social teaching. That social teaching would serve as an "antidote" to "what ails our culture." Mr Ryan promised that he would continue to promote Catholic social doctrine in the next chapter of his life. "Now I do not know what lies in store for me next. But I promise you this: I am going to continue thinking about, and talking about, these things. Even if it is just as a parishioner in Janesville, Wisconsin, at coffee and donuts after Mass, I will be there," he said.

The Australian Bishops say to us **EVERYTHING IS ON THE TABLE** as we discern and pray for the needs of our Church, what we keep, what we need to change or adapt



Plenary Council 2020

'Listen to what the Spirit is saying...' Mt 27

The role of the 2020 Plenary Council is to provide for the pastoral needs of us and our Church in Australia and how we can fulfil our mission of sharing the good news of Christ with all ages, backgrounds etc.

The Plenary Council website to help us understand it: plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

The Parish Council Meeting on June 21st will discuss our Parish approach and invitation to all people to join in this process, and also prepare for Bishop Paul Bird's Visitation to our Parish from Friday August 24th to Monday August 27th.



WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY JUNE 5th

*The message for 2018 is :
reject single-use plastic.
Refuse what you can't re-use
Together, we can chart a path
to a cleaner, greener world.*

Applications for the St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship

St Vincent Pallotti Trust offer scholarships for lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice, pastoral care. Applications close July 23, 2018. Apply online: www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry

Ballarat Diocesan Youth Festivals - three free day-long Festivals called **Joy+** for youth and young adults 15 to 30 years of age, on Sundays 5 August, 2 Sept, 25 November. This is an initiative for the *Year of Youth - Opening New Horizons for Spreading Joy!* **More details as the dates draw near.** Go to youth ministry web pages www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Our Northern Zone will hold a three day Youth Camp at Halls Gap from July 1st to 3rd. More details after our Zone Meeting on June 12th

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

Chris Robarts (Chair), Peter Gutteridge, Fr Peter, Andrea Cox, Lesley Price, Alison McKinnon, Daryl Wren, Bob Pritchett, Garry Heinrich, Marg Lingham, Cathy Grace, Joan Lane-Storey, Anita Masiero (Sec)

Child Safety Standards. Bob Pritchett is our Safeguarding Officer. We have a **Child Safety Policy** for the safety and wellbeing of children in our care. A **Child Safety Code of Conduct** exists for all who work with children in the Parish. Our Parish is always child safe.

1st Reading: Exodus 24:3-8

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 115:12-13. 15-

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord. How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me? The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name. O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful. Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; you have loosened my bonds.

A thanksgiving sacrifice I make: I will call on the Lord's name. My vows to the Lord I will fulfil before all his people.

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 9:11-15

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God. He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

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: Mark 14:12-16. 22-26

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover. And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.' After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

Gospel Reflection. Corpus Christi Yr B - Veronica Lawson RSM

The Gospel for today reminds us that we are in a "covenant" relationship with our God. We renew that covenant in every celebration of the Eucharist. The Israelites of old sealed their covenant with God in animal sacrifice, and in the celebration of a meal (Exodus 24:1-12). The blood of the slain animal was sprinkled on the altar and on the people. The people knew that blood signified life: if blood spilled out then life spilled out. The altar signified God. The sprinkling of the blood denoted their shared life with God. They were called to be holy as God is holy. The symbolism of the Jewish covenant ritual informs today's Gospel story of Jesus' final Passover meal with his disciples. Through the actions

and words of Jesus, the bread broken and shared becomes his body broken and "given" for them. The sharing of the cup of wine becomes their sharing in the life of Jesus "to be poured out for many". Bread and wine in this context have taken on a new meaning. We might begin to understand this mystery by considering the Eureka flag. The flag is made of fabric and thread, housed at Eureka and protected with the utmost care; it carries the story of its creation and the goodness of its fabric and thread. It multiple levels of meaning. Through the actions and words of Jesus, the bread and wine of the Eucharist likewise signify something entirely new. They are Life for us, the shared life of the Risen Christ. We are called to bring that life to others, to give life for the sake of the many. Read-

ing the passage in the context of Mark's gospel provides some insight into how we might do this: temple authorities plot to destroy him; an unnamed woman "breaks" an alabaster jar and "pours" the healing perfume on his head, thus anointing his body "for burial" through eucharistic action; Jesus declares that what she has done will be told "in remembrance of her"; a close friend seeks to betray him. Betrayal and rejection are ever present possibilities even in Eucharistic communities. We are all too aware of this as we endeavour to address the consequences of child sexual abuse in our communities. We need to learn from the other possibility presented to us, namely that of pouring out the healing perfume of compassion and love on our fractured Earth communities.

Next Week's Gospel Mark 3:20-35

Jesus went home, and such a crowd collected that they could not even have a meal. When his relatives heard of this, they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind. The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem were saying: 'Beelzebul is in him' and, 'It is through the prince of devils that he casts devils out.' So Jesus called them to him and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom can not last. And if a

household is divided against itself, that household can never stand. Now if Satan has rebelled against himself and is divided, he can not stand either - it is the end of him. But no one can make his way into a strong man's house and burgle his property unless he has tied up the strong man first. Only then can he burgle his house.' I tell you solemnly, all men's sins will be forgiven, and all their blasphemies: but let anyone blaspheme against the Holy Spirit and he will never have forgiveness: he is guilty of an eternal sin.' This was because they were

saying, 'An unclean spirit is in him.' The mother and brothers of Jesus arrived and, standing outside, sent in a message asking for him. A crowd was sitting round him at the time the message was passed to him, 'Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside asking for you.' He replied, 'Who are my mother and brothers?' And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother.'