

Ss Michael & John's Parish

Dimboola – Horsham – Murtoa – Natimuk - Rupanyup - Nhill

BULLETIN

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 21st October 2018



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We welcome Fr John.



Today is MISSION SUNDAY

We welcome SMJ School as the children and parents lead us in our Ministries at 10.30 Mass.

There will be a LEAVING COLLECTION at all Masses this weekend for the Missions. Mission envelopes with tax deductibility are in the Foyers.

This year we are invited to help to heal a nation through education in Myanmar. The Church is developing an alternative system of quality education, with comprehensive teacher training programs and the establishment of new schools, especially in remote areas.



St Brigid's College Year 12 Students finish their formal schooling this Wednesday.

They have a Liturgy on Tuesday at 1pm, and an Assembly on Wednesday at 12.20. *We pray with them in their exams beginning with English on October 31st.*

SBC Year 10 Presentation Ball this Friday Oct 26th at the Events Centre. *May they be blessed with their families.*



SMJ School Mission Mass and MISSION DAY FETE this Friday Oct 26th. Mass 9.30am The Fete from 11.30 to

12.30 in the School grounds. All families are welcome

Anointing Mass Lutheran Home this Friday 26th at 10.30am

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 do care in their own homes, those who work in hospitals, nursing homes, hospice care, palliative care. O God be the source of comfort to those in pain, be their hope in 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.

OLHC Murtoa Grandparents Mass at the School this Thursday 25th at 9.30am.
All families and special friends are welcome.

St Patrick's School Nhill Mission Week Mass this Tuesday 23rd in the Church at 10.15am

Rupanyup Community Mass this Wednesday 24th at Weidemann's 6.30

We welcome to the Family of God in Baptism.
Ada Rose Jackson
 child of Bradley and Leah and
Zara Denise Kuslak-Shev
 child of Wyatt and Marta

Funeral Prayers for Peter Kelly in SMJ Church this Wednesday at 1.30pm

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP 7pm to 8pm.
 All welcome every Monday at 16 George St. Eileen McManus

WEEKDAY MASSES:		
Tuesday 23rd Oct	5.30pm	Dan Landrigan anniv.
Wednesday 24 Oct	9.30am	Graham Taylor anniv. United Nations Day
Thursday 25th Oct	5.30pm	UN Day for Children
Friday 26th Oct	9.30am	SMJ Mission Mass. Gordon Matheson anniv
Saturday 27th Oct	10.00am	

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: Peter Kelly, Albert Rowe, Greg Goldsmith

ANNIVERSARIES: Pat Irwin, Dan Landrigan

SICK: Brian Rice, Carmel Cannard, Jean Ivess, Joan Glen, Peter Kelly, Debbie Nolan, Ken Dowsley, Una Bartlett, Cathy Mintern, Fleur Armstrong, Jill & Christie Higginbottom, Rosetta Cafarella, Betty Fitzgerald, Heather McPhee, Maurice Brennan, Carmel Hemon, Sr Geraldine Stapleton, Rachel O'Connor, Maree Frew, Paul Church

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 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4th Sunday of the Month 28th October 2018**

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

Murtoa **Sunday Mass 8.30am**

Natimuk **Sunday Mass 8.30**

Dimboola **Sunday Mass 10.30am**

Jeparit **Sunday Mass 1.30pm**

**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: Mondays in the Meeting Room. Mornings 9.30 - 11.30 Evening - *Contact the Parish Office* - BYO Craft - Gold Coin .

Meditation Group: Church Meeting Room Tuesdays 2.00pm.

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

Men's Group Breakfast 3rd Thursday of the month in the Parish Centre, 7.30 to 8.30am Contact Patrick 0428847455

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

BAPTISM PREPARATION. Contact Parish Office 53821155.

CHOIR PRACTICE 2nd Wednesday 6pm in the Church

St Augustine's Church Jeparit Closure

Fr Peter will celebrate the Closure Mass in Jeparit next Sunday October 28th at 1.30p There will be Afternoon Tea in the State School Hall after Mass.

Please inform any former Parishioners of this day.

If you have any photos of your time in Jeparit or any history information of the Church in Jeparit, if ok, please bring it into the Office and we can copy it Thank you.

**Friday November 2nd Holy Souls Day
Mass will be at the Horsham Cemetery on
Friday Nov 2nd at 10am (please note new time)**

**Mass on All Saints Day Thursday November
1st is at SMJ Church at 9.30am**

Fr Peter will be away from Nov 3rd to Nov 28th

ROSTERS

20/21 October

Vigil 6.30pm

Sunday 10.30am

**EUCCHARISTIC
MINISTERS**

Lorriane Clancy
Pat Glaubitz
Tess Hayes
Peter Gutteridge
Cathy Taylor
John Parker
Simon Lynch

Alison McKinnon
Kingsley Dalglish
Karen Hill
Anna Robertson
Neville Strachan
Rosie Taylor
Lynda Hutchinson
Anna Robertson

Commentator

John Parker

27/28 OCTOBER

Readers

Anthony Amor

Anthony Dowling

Commentator

Micky Robarts

Alison McKinnon

**EUCCHARISTIC
MINISTERS**

Bob Hayes
Ann Hermans
Peter Gutteridge
Sr Tirsa Bale
Micky Robarts
Anthony Amor
Sr Jacinta Rice

Zita Cannane
Mary Dalglish
Faye Wills
Bob Pritchett
Cate Rigby
Tim Lannen
Alison McKinnon

Projector

Gerard Natividad

Shayne Keenan

Musicians

Chris Robarts

Teresa Bottoms

Welcomers

Judy & Hugh
Delahunty

Marina Mansera
Mary Uebergang

Prayers

Daryl & Maree
Wren

**Church Cleaning
and Flowers**

28th October
Pat O'Connor
Win Stephens
Barbara Connellan

4th November
Carolyn Boseley
Gwen Antonucci
Carmel O'Connor
Anna Carberry

FINANCES

Presbytery (1st Collection) Dimboola: \$80. Murtoa: \$217
Horsham: \$1000.

Total: \$1297.

Envelopes: \$911.

Loose: \$51.70. Total: \$962.70

Making Connections: Preform an act of service each day
The prayer of St Ignatius Loyola: Lord Jesus teach me to be generous, to serve you as you deserve to be served, to give without counting the cost, to fight without heeding the wounds, to work without seeking rest, to spend my life without expecting any other return than that I do your will.

Symbols & Images: The 'cup' and the 'baptism' to which Jesus refers are his suffering and death on the cross. These images evoke for us the sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist by which the death and resurrection of Jesus are kept at the heart of our faith and our worship. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Living the Word: Pray for the clergy. Pray for vocations to the priesthood. Pray for each other to be able to partake of the priesthood of Christ conferred on your baptism.

Daily Prayer. Maker and author of life, in Jesus we have found the path to wisdom. Let us be bold to approach you, not seeking privilege but asking mercy. Let us live among one another, not seeking to be served but to serve.

Marriage Tip: Hold hands when discussing something sensitive. It physically reminds you that you may disagree about something, but that you're still connected and committed to each other.

Vocational View: Life's rewards are tied up in the spirit of service. Just as the Son of Man came to give His life, so too are we called through faith to serve others. Lord, 'let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in You, to do your will.'

COUNTRY MASS TIMES:

Sunday Oct 28: Murtoa 8.30. Natimuk 8.30.
 Dimboola 10.30. **Jeparit 1.30pm.**
 Sunday Nov 4: Murtoa 8.30. Dimboola AWC 8.30
 Sunday Nov 11: Murtoa 8.30. Dimboola 8.30

Advent Reflection Book

This year's reflection book, **Saviour**, provides an opportunity for us to be still each day, listen to God and hear him declare to us as the angel declared to the shepherds. **Saviour** is a 76 page pocket-size book containing short spiritually rich, yet accessible, daily reflections from the beginning of Advent (2 December 2018) through to the Baptism of the Lord (13 January 2019).

The cost is \$3 per booklet.

To order a copy please put your name on the list available in the Church Foyers.



PRAYER OF HEALING AND HOPE

Loving God, we pray for our brothers and sisters who have been abused within our Church or in any institution or home or elsewhere. We acknowledge their unending strength: their boldness is an immense gift. We pray they find justice, peace and healing. We pray for our community, that we accept and nurture each other during this time.

Empower us to be a positive and supportive force within society. Help us to witness the love of God for all. Help us to acknowledge and make amends for past wrongs. Give us the strength to be true advocates for the wronged and vulnerable. May the grace of God guide us now and always.

Plenary Council. The word "plenary" means all, complete, the WHOLE Church has a say.

The Agenda for the Council comes from you the people. Your responses on line - either as an individual or as a group - are read and will form the agenda. So please write your responses to the 3 questions: .1.What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time? 2. What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020? 3. Do you have a story of your experience of faith or the Church you would like to share? *The hope is that Catholics, active and disaffected, will take the opportunity to help plan the future of our Australian Church.* More information and on line replies to : www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Lana will revisit our Parish for one Sunday in February 2019 for us all to hear her

Everything is on the table

Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

UNITED NATIONS DAY OCTOBER 24TH

Does this Charter respect people's rights and life?

- Provides food and assistance to 80 million people in 80 countries
- Supplies vaccines to 45% of the world's children, helping save 3 million lives a year
- Assists and protects 65.3 million people fleeing war, famine and persecution
- Works with 195 nations to hold the rise in global temperature below 2°C/3.6°F
- Keeps peace with 117,000 peacekeepers in 15 operations on 4 continents
- Fights extreme poverty, helping improve the lives of more than 1.1 billion people
- Protects and promotes human rights globally and through 80 treaties/declarations
- Coordinates US\$22.5 billion appeal for the humanitarian needs of 93.5 million people
- Uses diplomacy to prevent conflict: assists some 67 countries a year with their elections.
- Supports maternal health, helping over 1 million women a month overcome pregnancy risks

NATIONAL APOLOGY TO VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF INSTITUTIONAL CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE:

Prime Minister Scott Morrison will deliver a National Apology to Victims and Survivors of Institutional Child Sexual Abuse, this coming Monday, 22 October. The National Apology, to be delivered at Parliament House in Canberra, will acknowledge the appalling abuse perpetrated on vulnerable children by the very people who were supposed to care for them, including members of our Church. The National Apology will pay tribute to victims and survivors of institutional child sexual abuse, with the aim of ensuring such shameful practices are never repeated. Bishop Paul will speak to the National Apology in the next edition of *Our Diocesan Community*.

Caritas Asia Appeals
 Flooding in Kerala, India
 Typhoon Mangkhut, Philippines,
 Sulawesi Earthquake and
 Tsunami, Indonesia
Donations are tax deductible
the Caritas website
www.caritas.org.au.
 Place in an envelope marked **CARITAS** on the Collection or leave at the Parish Office. *Thank you.*



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 Parish 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: Isaiah 53:10-11

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering. If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done. His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content. By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:4-5. 18-20.

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

Acclamation: Mark 10:45

Alleluia, alleluia! The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us

to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.' When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them, 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

Gospel Reflection. 29th Sunday Ordinary Yr B - Veronica Lawson

In the kingdom of God movement established by Jesus, there is no place for domination or for any exercise of power over others. In today's gospel story, this is a lesson that James and John, the sons of Zebedee, clearly need to learn. They seem to think that the structures of power operating in the Roman world are going to be replicated when Jesus conquers the forces of opposition and comes into his "glory". The two brothers, James and John, put in a bid for shared deputy leadership positions. They seem to be blind and deaf to what Jesus has been trying to tell them throughout their journey from Caesarea Philippi to Jerusalem. They seek his patronage without reference to the rest of the leadership group who, incidentally, are not well pleased with their presumptuous companions. James and John do not yet realise that Jesus'

way is not the way of status or entitlement and that their call as disciples and as leaders of the emerging movement has nothing to do with privilege. They need to understand that it has more to do with enduring the suffering associated with commitment to one's mission, and with setting others free to be their best selves. To demonstrate this, Jesus offers them an unpalatable alternative: to "be slave of all". He sustains the slavery metaphor and goes on to summarise his own mission with an image that comes out of the world of his time: "not to be served but to serve and give life as a ransom for many". A ransom was the payment made to free someone from slavery. To substitute oneself for a slave was to give one's life as a ransom for that slave. Reading the gospel from beginning to end helps us to understand the ultimate self-giving of Jesus in death as the climax of a lifetime's outpouring of love,

a love that draws forth loving and liberating action in others. There are multiple ways of enslaving others, of dominating and of trying to control them in order to achieve one's own personal or corporate ends, good or bad. The request of James and John reminds us that we can all lose sight of the liberating vision of the gospel and get caught up in destructive power struggles. As 21st century disciples, we hear the words of Jesus, 'It is not to happen with you'. We might turn our attention to those in our world who are literally enslaved. We might join with ACRATH (Australian Catholic Religious against the Trafficking in Humans) or with others working to obtain freedom and justice for those trapped into sexual and other forms of slavery in our own cities. We might hear today's gospel as a call to do something about this tragic phenomenon

Next Week's Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him

'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

We welcome visitors to our District this weekend for many activities, including the Horsham Cup. Welcome, enjoy safety for all.

Congratulations to Horsham Library on 50 years of service

GREENING THE BLUE.

