



St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

Beulah - Dimboola - Hopetoun - Horsham - Kaniva - Minyip - Murtoa -
Natimuk - Nhill - Rainbow - Rupanyup - Warracknabeal

BULLETIN

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr. C - 30th January 2022



COVID RESTRICTIONS:

Face masks need to be worn at all indoor venues.

There are no vaccination limits on participants, however **all must sign-in upon entry to any venue for contact tracing purposes.** We also encourage all to practice distancing and safe hygiene (i.e. coughing or sneezing into the crook of your elbow or tissue, sanitising/washing hands, etc.) **Thank you.**

Join in on our Masses online at any time by visiting our Eucharistic Facebook page : <https://bit.ly/3eYADvV>



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Caritas Appeal for Tonga

Tonga is coated in a thick blanket of ash after the eruption of undersea volcano Hunga-Tonga-Hunga-Ha'apai on January 15, which triggered tsunamis across the region, destroyed telecommunications and contaminated water supplies in the small Pacific Island nation. Coastal communities in Fiji, Samoa and Vanuatu have been impacted by tsunami waves, along with communities as far afield as Australia, Japan and the Americas. The Tongan government has said that "*immediate assistance*" is needed to deal with the fallout of the massive volcanic eruption. Visit <https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pacific/> or call 1800 024 413 toll free to provide much needed support by donating to our Pacific Emergency Appeal.

Caritas Prayer for Tonga and the Pacific

Loving God, We hold before you in our hearts the people of Tonga in this time of need. We know that the communities of the Pacific often experience fragility. Now, with a volcanic explosion leading to both a Tsunami and degradation of land and water through ash, we ask that your people find strength and feel closer to you than ever. They are communities of great faith. May they turn to you for peace and reassurance. May they turn to each other for comfort and community. And may they turn to us for support and solidarity. We all share this mysterious world which you have entrusted to our care, as one family. May your Holy Spirit give us wisdom and courage and fill us with the gift of Hope. Amen.

We welcome our students, staff and families back to school this week.

We pray that they may have a blessed, safe and enriching year ahead.



Funeral Mass for Clare Pollard - Monday, 31st January 2022, 2pm.

Vigil Rosary - Sunday 30th January, 5.30pm. All are welcome.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

	9.00am 2pm	Warracknabeal Horsham— <i>Funeral for Clare Pollard</i>
Monday 31st January		
Tuesday 1st February	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Wednesday 2nd February	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Thursday 3rd February	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Friday 4th February	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Saturday 5th February	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham

Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen.

- St. Alphonsus Liguori

We welcome back Mons. Glynn Murphy at Masses this weekend and wish him good health from here onwards.

ROSTERS (Note: currently working on new design/layout)

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Warracknabeal) —2022 LITURGY ROSTER

Date & Time	Time	Readers	Prayers	Collectors	Special Ministers
January 30th Sunday LLA	9:00am	K Downes	M Walder	B Bentley & L Downes	M Lardner & K Downes
February 5th Saturday evening	6:30pm	M. Walder	F Casey	D & K Baxter	B Evans & M Muller

HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER

29/30 Jan.	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 8.30am
Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Newton Bernadette Trounce <i>(please volunteer..)</i>	Lynda Hutchinson Bob Pritchett Zita Cannane
Reader	Betty Heinrich	Anna Robertson
Commentator	John Parker	Alison McKinnon
5/6 Feb.	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
Reader	Emelia Sudholz	Kingsley Dalglish
Commentator	Maree Plazzer	Michael Connellan
Eucharistic Ministers	Sr Jacinta Rice Joan Parker Lorraine Clancy	Andrea Cox Kingsley Dalglish Alison McKinnon
Projector	Anita Masiero	Robert Sartori
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Combined Choir
Welcomers	Connie Besselaar Gavin Hynam	Sharon Creasey Mary Dowsley
Prayers	John & Joan Parker	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	6th February Lucille Pekin Pauline Breen Sue Chalkley Judie Delahunty	13th February Lynda Hutchinson Bernadette Delahunty Gwen Antonucci Carmel O'Connor

HOPETOUN CHURCH ROSTER

	January 30: Mass 9am	February 6: LLA 10am
Readers	Neha Kovoor	School Children
Offertory/ Lay-led	Kevin & Maureen Clancy	
Ministers		

NHILL LITURGY ROSTER

	January 30: Mass 11am	February 6: LLA 10am
Reader & Prayers	D Munro	C Kennedy
Lay Leaders	-	M Millington
Eucharistic Minister	-	A Munro
Offertory	Paul & Leah	
Monthly Collector	J Millington	R Picone
Cleaning	A Munro	M Millington

Child Safety Standards: (Ss Michael & John Horsham)
Bob Pritchett and Jill McGinniken are our Safeguarding Officers.
 A **Child Safety Policy** and **Code of Conduct** has been adopted for all who work with children and vulnerable adults in the Parish, to ensure the safety of all.
Our Parish seeks to always be a child safe Parish.

MASS TIMES & REPORTS

MASS TIMES NEXT WEEKEND

1st Weekend of the Month:
 Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am
 Murtoa: Sunday 8.30am
 Warracknabeal: Saturday 6.30pm
 Hopetoun: Sunday 9am
 Rainbow: Sunday 11am
 Dimboola: Sunday LLA 9am
 Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am
 Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am
 Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

Any upcoming changes in Victorian COVID-19 restrictions will apply.

OTHER MASSES:

Natimuk: Tuesday 22 February - 6.30pm, Location TBA.
Rupanyup: next date, time and location to be confirmed.

Pope's intention for January:

"We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognised, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family."

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.



Our Parish Finance:

For all wishing to support either our Parish or Clergy through online banking transfer:

St Paul VI **Parish** Account (NAB)

BSB: 083-680 Acc. No: 515830337

(Please state envelope number if you have one)

St Paul VI **Presbytery** (Clergy Support) Account (NAB)

BSB: 083-680 Acc. No: 515830345

~ The option of regular automatic Direct Debit contributions can be arranged by contacting our office ~

All amounts are an active support to our faith community and are greatly appreciated.

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Our Parish also has a National Grower Register Account - for farmers in our community who would like to arrange **planned giving via a small share of grain sales** through the NGR.

Our Parish NGR Card number is 1402 0336.

Please feel free to call our Parish Office for more info.

An Early Morning Prayer

I come before you, O Lord. As the sun rises may your hope rise up in me. As the birds sing may your love flow out of me. As the light floods into this new day, may your joy shine through me. I come before you, O Lord and drink in this moment of peace, that I may carry something of your hope, love and joy today in my heart. Amen.

Please submit notices for our weekly Bulletin to the Parish Office by **Thursday**. Thank you.

SCHOOLS & PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: Clare Pollard (*Horsham*)

ANNIVERSARIES: Betty O'Connor, Brian Chalkley, Stan Kerr, Agnese Panozzo, Martin McCoy, Leonie Clarke

SICK: Ken Dowsley, Des Gaynor, Heather McPhee, Shilpa Joe, Elsie Thomas, Marie Tobin, John Hickey, Mary Thompson, Patricia Simpson, Kobe Davidson, Brett Cox, Moira Kelly snr, Graham Klemm, Jill & Christie Higginbottom, Pat Hateley, Ted Haynes, Sam McCulloch, Leo Bourke, Peter Rowe, Laurie Grayling, Bernard Connellan, Max Young, Joan McNamarra, Alma Moore

Anointing:

On request to Mons. Glynn Murphy or Fr Jim McKay, or please call the Parish Office.

Developing a new Prayer for Communion outside of Mass and for the Special Ministers in our Parish:

Our Parish, St Paul VI Wimmera Mallee - is currently developing suggestions/submissions for a prayer for Communion outside of Mass which prays for and comforts those who are unable to be with us, whilst expressing appreciation to the friends, family members and Eucharistic ministers who visit and care for them.

All are welcome to give input/suggestions
- **Please submit your input through the Parish office before 1st February 2022**, this can be in written form or via email (wimmeramallee@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

Each suggestion shall be considered by our Parish Priest and Pastoral Council. The completed prayer will be used in all our Mass centres on Sundays. It will also be shared on our Bulletin as a sign of community and solidarity within our large Parish, and as remembrance for the many different lives it encompasses with Holy Communion.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM:

Morning Craft Group:

Mondays @ Parish Office Meeting Room, 9.30-11.30am.

Meditation Group:

Tuesdays 2pm in the Church Meeting Room.

Choir Practice:

6pm, 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast:

7.30-8.30am, 3rd Thursday of each month @ the Parish Hall.

Ecumenical-Charismatic Prayer Group:

1.30-3.30pm, Wednesdays @ Parish office meeting room

Saturday Morning Devotions:

8.30am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Lay-led),
8.50am - Rosary and prayers of the Church,
9.30am Saturday Morning Mass

Confessions after Mass.

Note: COVID restrictions, Public Holidays, Seasons and times where the Priest/Organiser is away may cancel the event.

We gradually welcome back our groups from their break; and pray that they may continue to be blessed, guided and kept safe throughout this new year.

Making Connections: Offer the gift of yourself to someone who is downtrodden or be good news to someone in need.

Daily Prayer: O God, you have sent Jesus among us as prophet of your covenant and king of your anointing, the Messiah who proclaims to the poor the good news of your kingdom. Build us into one body, make us instruments of freedom and salvation.

A Vocation View: The word of God becomes the flesh of God when YOU live it in your life. Believe what you read; live what you believe. Be another Christ.

God of Daily Bread

*"God of simple pleasures we ask for enough today,
Help us give ourselves the very thing we need:
A walk to clear the head, a phone call that draws a familiar voice, a brief exchange with a passer-by, a gentle word of encouragement. These little things and their significance can be easily dismissed, but is often the non-grand gesture, or an everyday routine, or an in-the-moment whim that reminds us that our God was always there. Amen."*

Pathways Response Victoria

The Victorian Catholic Bishops launched Pathways Response Victoria in December 2021, which will provide a further way of responding to those who have suffered abuse in the Catholic community. Pathways Response Victoria will be the successor to 'Towards Healing' and 'The Melbourne Response' from the start of 2022. More information is available from our diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pathways-response-victoria/>

World Interfaith Harmony Week Flag Raising Event

All are invited to the Ballarat Interfaith Network's celebration of World Interfaith Harmony Week on Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at St Peter's Anglican Church, Sturt Street, Ballarat from 11.00am - 12.30pm.

The program includes: Acknowledgement of Country; welcome on behalf of Ballarat Interfaith Network; welcome on behalf of City of Ballarat; raising of the Interfaith Flag; address by Sikh Keynote Speaker (Rajinder Singh Gill); prayers from various faith representatives; virtual choir presentations; and refreshments.

Synod of Bishops

Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, which has the theme, "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The People of God are invited to use a guided, prayerful reflection method to consider a series of questions and make submissions via an online portal. Those submissions will help the Bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023.

Find out more at <http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

Expressions of Interest – Administrative role

Expressions of Interest are currently being sought for a part-time Administrative role in our Parish Office (based in Horsham)

For further information please contact:

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Address: 10 Roberts Avenue, Horsham, VIC. 3400

First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

In the days of Josiah, the word of the Lord was addressed to me, saying, 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you came to birth I consecrated you; I have appointed you as prophet to the nations. So now brace yourself for action. Stand up and tell them all I command you. Do not be dismayed at their presence, or in their presence I will make you dismayed. I, for my part, today will make you into a fortified city, a pillar of iron, and a wall of bronze to confront all this land: the kings of Judah, its princes, its priests and the country people. They will fight against you but shall not overcome you, for I am with you to deliver you - it is the Lord who speaks.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 70:1-6, 15, 17

R. I will sing of your salvation.

In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your justice rescue me, free me: pay heed to me and save me. R.

Be a rock where I can take refuge, a mighty stronghold to save me; for you are my rock, my stronghold. Free me from the hand of the wicked. R.

It is you, O Lord, who are my hope, my trust, O Lord, since my youth. On you I have leaned from my birth, from my mother's womb you have been my help. R.

My lips will tell of your justice and day by day of your help. O God, you have taught me from my youth and I proclaim your wonders still. R.

R. I will sing of your salvation.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:31 - 13:13

Be ambitious for the higher gifts. And I am going to show you a way that is better than any of them. If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains, but without love, then I am nothing at all. If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever. Love is always patient and kind; it is

never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes. Love does not come to an end. But if there are gifts of prophecy, the time will come when they must fail; or the gift of languages, it will not continue for ever; and knowledge - for this, too, the time will come when it must fail. For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophesying is imperfect; but once perfection comes, all imperfect things will disappear. When I was a child, I used to talk like a child, and think like a child, and argue like a child, but now I am a man, all childish ways are put behind me. Now we are seeing a dim reflection in a mirror; but then we shall be seeing face to face. The knowledge that I have now is imperfect; but then I shall know as fully as I am known. In short, there are three things that last: faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love.

Gospel Acclamation: Luke 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

Jesus began to speak in the synagogue, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.' And he won the approval of all, and they were astonished by the gracious words that came from his lips. They said, 'This is Joseph's son surely?' But he replied, 'No doubt you will quote me the saying, "Physician, heal yourself" and tell me, "We have heard all that happened in Capernaum, do the same here in your own countryside."' And he went on, 'I tell you solemnly, no prophet is ever accepted in his own country. There were many widows in Israel, I can assure you, in Elijah's day, when heaven remained shut for three years and six months and a great famine raged throughout the land, but Elijah was not sent to any one of these: he was sent to the widow at Zarephath, a Sidonian town. And in the prophet Elisha's time there were many lepers in Israel, but none of these was cured, except the Syrian, Naaman.' When they heard this everyone in the synagogue was enraged. They sprang to their feet and hustled him out of the town; and they took him up to the brow of the hill their town was built on, intending to throw him down the cliff, but he slipped through the crowd and walked away.

Gospel Reflection from Loyola Press: (SunCOrd04)

This Sunday we read from the Gospel of Luke, continuing immediately from last week's Gospel. Recall that in last Sunday's Gospel, Jesus read from the prophet Isaiah and announced that this Scripture was now fulfilled. In today's Gospel, we learn that the people of Nazareth are impressed by Jesus' words, and yet they seem surprised. They still think of Jesus as merely Joseph's son. They do not expect such words from someone they believe that they know. This Gospel is about who Jesus is and who people believe him to be. The story of Jesus' preaching and rejection at Nazareth is found in each of the Synoptic Gospels. In Luke's Gospel, this incident is told in a way that foretells Jesus' passion and death and helps explain the inclusion of the Gentiles in the promise of salvation. In Luke's Gospel this incident appears at the beginning of Jesus' ministry; in Matthew and Mark, this event is placed considerably later, after Jesus has preached and taught elsewhere. Only Luke identifies the content of Jesus' teaching in any detail, telling us that Jesus read from the book of the prophet Isaiah in the synagogue. In Mark and Matthew's Gospels, Jesus teaches in the synagogue in Nazareth, and the townspeople take offense because Jesus is only the son of a carpenter. They reject his authority to teach them. In Matthew and Mark, it is only after Jesus is rejected that he observes times when Israel has rejected prophets. In Luke's Gospel, the people are surprised but not immediately offended by Jesus' words in the synagogue. It is

the words that follow his reading from the prophet Isaiah that seem to offend them. Jesus challenges and provokes the people of Nazareth by referring to examples in which Israel rejected the prophets. He also challenges them to respond to his message, the message of a prophet, in a way that is different from their ancestors. This call for a new response leads to his rejection. It is helpful to consider the historical context of Luke's Gospel. Luke has witnessed the acceptance of the gospel message among many Gentiles. He endeavors to explain why the Good News of Jesus has not been as well-received by his Jewish contemporaries. Luke's report interprets the cause of Jesus' rejection at Nazareth in the context of this later Christian history. Just as the people at Nazareth did not welcome the Good News that Jesus announced, so too many among the people of Israel will not accept the preaching of the gospel. After Jesus' words of challenge, Luke reports that there was a movement to kill Jesus by throwing him over a cliff. This differs from the reports found in Mark and Matthew's Gospels, where Jesus is said to be unable to perform miracles in Nazareth because of the people's lack of faith. Luke says that Jesus walks away from the crowd that intended to kill him; it is not yet his time. The animosity of the people of Nazareth prefigures and prepares the reader of Luke's Gospel for the cross. Luke wants all to understand that it is through his death on the cross that Jesus offers God's salvation to all.