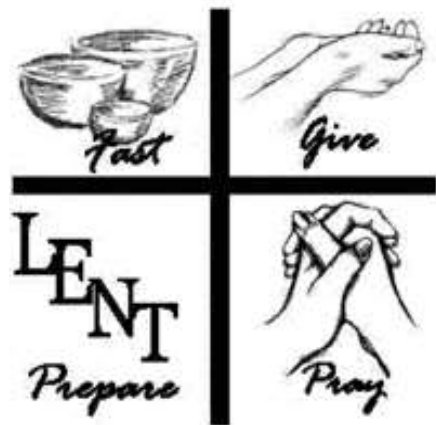


St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

BULLETIN



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Mass Livestreaming

Mass will be livestreamed from the Horsham Church at **6.30pm each Saturday evening**, and will be available to watch 'live', or for replay viewing at a time convenient.

(Recordings will be deleted weekly, at the end of every Friday.)

YouTube Channel Link:
<https://www.youtube.com/>

7th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME - Year A
19th February 2023



Project Compassion envelopes and collection boxes are now being distributed for the annual Caritas Australia fundraiser, which spans across the six weeks of Lent each year, bringing thousands of Australian schools, parishes and supporters together to help change the lives of some of the world's most vulnerable people.

Caritas agencies respond to catastrophic earthquake in Turkey and war-torn Syria

Caritas Turkey and other Caritas agencies are responding to a series of powerful earthquakes in southeast Turkey (officially known as Türkiye) and Syria, where thousands of lives have been lost already and the death toll increases by the hour. Our partner Caritas Turkey and other Caritas agencies on the ground are coordinating with local authorities and other organisations to see how they can best assist. Your generous support can help provide emergency relief to help families recover and rebuild from disaster. Visit www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/turkey-and-syria-earthquake/ or call 1800 024 413 toll free to provide much needed support to the Middle East by donating to our Middle East Emergency Appeal.

*A leaving collection will be offered at all churches after Saturday Vigil and Sunday Mass **NEXT WEEKEND (25th/26th Feb)** for those who are unable to donate online through the above link, and we will forward the donations to Caritas.*

World Day of Prayer 2023

Friday 3rd March 2023, 10.30am

Host Church is **Ss Michael & John's Catholic Church Horsham.**

The country of focus this year is Taiwan.

Please come and support women around the world in prayer.

After the service you are welcome to join us for morning tea at the Parish Centre.

Contact person is Betty Heinrich 0428 328 641.



WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 21st February	9.30am	Murtoa School Mass
	9.30am	Horsham
Wednesday 22nd February	8.30am	Warracknabeal
	10.20am	Hopetoun
	2.00pm	Nhill
"Ash Wednesday"	8.30am	Horsham
	10.10 am	SBC Liturgy
	12.30pm	Murtoa
Thursday 23rd February	9am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Friday 24th February	9.00am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Saturday 25th February	9am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Warracknabeal) - 2023 LITURGY ROSTER

Date	Time	Readers	Prayers	Collectors	Special Ministers	Cleaning
18th February Mass	6.30pm	A Van den Akker	P Winsall	D & K Baxter	B Evans & M Muller	L Gibson & A McFarlane
26th February Mass	8.30am	D Baxter	M Walder	J & M Aitken	J McFarlane & M Lardner	

HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER

<u>18th & 19th February</u>	<u>Vigil 6.30pm</u>	<u>Sunday 10.30am</u>
Eucharistic Ministers	John Parker Maree Plazzer Anne Newton	Zita Cannane Andrea Cox Kingsley Dalgleish
Reader	Emelia Sudholz	Kingsley Dalgleish
Commentator	Maree Plazzer	Alison McKinnon
<u>25th & 26th February</u>	<u>Vigil 6.30pm</u>	<u>Sunday 10.30am</u>
Reader	Micky Robarts	Andrea Cox
Commentator	Betty Heinrich	Dianne Noy
Eucharistic Ministers	Bernadette Trounce Joan Parker Lorraine Clancy	Alison McKinnon Fay Wills Rosie Taylor
Projector	Geoff Simpson	Robert Sartori
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Choir
Livestream	Rob Sartori	-
Welcomers	Bob & Tess Hayes	Mary Dowsley
Prayers	Angela Amor & Pauline Breen	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	<u>26th February</u> Josie Phelan Pauline Irwin Joan Butler Margo Hogan	<u>5th March</u> Jenny Clarke Bernie Lakin Rhonda Tursi

HOPETOUN CHURCH ROSTER

	<u>19th February LLA 9am</u>	<u>26th February Mass 11am</u>
Readers	Cynthia Maiden	School Children
Offertory/Lay-led	Marilyn Clancy Joan Bellinger	School Children
Special Minister	Therese Bellinger	

NHILL LITURGY ROSTER

	<u>19th February Mass 11am</u>	<u>26th February LLA 10am</u>
Reader & Prayers	M Millington	D Munro
Lay Leaders		C Kennedy
Eucharistic Minister		A Munro
Offertory	Paul & Leah	
Monthly Collector	J Millington	J Millington
Cleaning	A Munro	A Munro

Natimuk Mass: 2nd March, 6.30pm,
at 245 Pelchens Road, Quantong
Rupanyup Mass: 23rd February, 6.30pm
at Sue Tyler's home

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

Child Safety Standards: St Paul VI Parish

Bob Pritchett and Jill McGenniken 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.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES **THISWEEKEND**

3rd Weekend of the Month: 18th & 19th February

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am

Murtoa: Sunday 8.30am

Warracknabeal: Saturday 6.30pm

Beulah: Sunday 8.30am

Nhill: Sunday 11am

Dimboola: Sunday LLA 8.30am

Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am

Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am

Hopetoun: Sunday LLA 9am

WEEKEND MASS TIMES **NEXT WEEKEND**

4th Weekend of the Month: 25th & 26th February

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am

Dimboola: Sunday 8.30am

Warracknabeal: Sunday 8.30am

Minyip: Saturday 6pm

Murtoa: Sunday LLA 9am

Hopetoun: Sunday 11am

Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am

Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am

Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: Sr Julie Thomas CSB, Peter Brennan (Sydney)

ANNIVERSARIES: Brian Tobin, Tony Uytdehaag, Peter Oakley, Beverley Mainwaring, Joan & Jack Coffey, Ben Leslie, Brian Phelan

SICK: Ken Dowsley, Heather McPhee, Shilpa Joe, Elsie Thomas, Marie Tobin, John Hickey, Mary Thompson, Patricia Simpson, Kobe Davidson, Moira Kelly Snr, Pat Hateley, Jill & Christie Higginbottom, Ted Haynes, Sam McCulloch, Laurie Grayling, Max Young, Joan McNamara, Pat Brennan (Ballarat), Alex Kavoor, Elliot Pumpa, Kevin Clancy, Jodie White, Bernie Ryan

Publications Available for Purchase

We have a limited supply of **God's Word 2023** available for **\$20**ea. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange purchase.



We have copies of the **Brigidine Centenary book** available for **\$35** in the Piety Stall in the Horsham Church, at St Brigid's College, or at the Parish Office.

"Triumph" Lenten Program 2023 books have arrived, if you have pre-ordered please collect. *We do have a limited number of spare copies still available from the Parish Office for \$8 each.*



Sunnyside Lutheran Retirement Village, Horsham

'Residents Only'

Mass will be held every **Last Friday** of the month at 10.30am at Sunnyside Lutheran Retirement Village Horsham.

FEBRUARY - Friday 24th, 10.30 am

St Vincent de Paul Warracknabeal Conference

Meeting will be at Minyip on
Wednesday 22nd February 2023 at 2pm.

Sacramental Program 2023 St Paul VI Parish

The Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation will be taking place across St Paul VI Parish in 2023. A letter with further information will be emailed to all School Principals within St Paul VI Parish, as well as to parents who have registered. We will also have this information listed in the Parish Bulletin.

St Vincent de Paul

A representative of St Vincent de Paul is available to assess and assist cases on **Mon, Wed and Fri** mornings between 11am-12noon.

***Appointments essential-** Phone 5381 2371 to book.



Project Compassion



Please take home a Project Compassion box or set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations**.

With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2023 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come.

As St Pope John Paul II said, **"The future starts today, not tomorrow."**



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Anointing:

*On request to Mons. Glynn Murphy or
Fr Matt Restall, or please call the Parish Office.*

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Communion:

*Upon request to the Parish Office, Holy Communion
can be arranged for the sick and infirm.*

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Confessions:

*After Saturday Morning Mass at Horsham Church,
or on request to our Priests.*

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM:

Morning Craft Group:

Wednesdays in Parish Office Meeting Room, 9.30-11.30am.

Meditation Group:

Tuesdays 2pm in the Church Meeting Room

Choir Practice:

2nd Wednesday of the month, 6pm

- **Any newcomers always welcome**

Men's Fellowship Breakfast:

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

Sunday Mass
19 February 2023

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the book of Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18

The Lord spoke to Moses; he said: 'Speak to the whole community of the sons of Israel and say to them: "Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy."

"You must not bear hatred for your brother in your heart. You must openly tell him, your neighbour, of his offence; this way you will not take a sin upon yourself. You must not exact vengeance, nor must you bear a grudge against the children of your people. You must love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps102:1-4,8,10,12-13

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings.

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion.

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults

As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.
As a father has compassion on his sons,
the Lord has pity on those who fear him.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 3:16-23

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody

should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple. Make no mistake about it; if any one of you thinks of himself as wise, in the ordinary sense of the word, then he must learn to be a fool before he really can be wise. Why? Because the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. As scripture says: The Lord knows wise men's thoughts: he knows how useless they are; or again: God is not convinced by the arguments of the wise. So there is nothing to boast about in anything human: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, the world, life and death, the present and the future, are all your servants; but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

Gospel Acclamation 1 John 2:5

Alleluia, alleluia!

Whoever keeps the word of Christ,
grows perfect in the love of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 5:38-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away. 'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit? Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not? And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

LOYOLA PRESS REFLECTION

The last two antitheses offered in the Sermon on the Mount deal with love of enemies. We should not look at "an eye for an eye" as an inordinately strict punishment. It is actually meant to limit acts of revenge by making sure the punishment is not excessive but fits the crime. However, Jesus asks his followers to take a different approach by resisting retaliation altogether. The response to a stronger person who slaps us on the cheek, takes us to court, or demands a service of us is not to resist. Similarly, for a weaker person, such as a beggar or borrower, we are to give him or her what he or she asks for. Those who are called to the Kingdom of Heaven are to go beyond the way the world usually works and serve God's Kingdom here on earth. The other difficult demand of those who are called to the Kingdom is to embrace the enemy. There is no command in the Old

Testament to hate individuals in a personal or vindictive way. But there is a religious stance that calls one to hate evil and to distance oneself from those who participate in evil. In contrast, Matthew emphasizes that love of God and love of neighbour are the fundamental commands on which all else depend. Because God's love is unconditional, we are to strive to love as God does, though, of course, it is challenging. Is it even possible?

The key is in the final verse. We are to be perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect. Matthew uses the Greek word *telos*, which is probably better translated here as "complete." We are not to be perfect as in doing everything correctly, that is, as in being absolutely morally correct. We are to be perfect as in striving to reach the completeness we are called to in the Kingdom of Heaven. Attempting to love our enemies is part of striving for that completeness.

Next Weekend's Readings: 1st Sunday of Lent Year A, 26th February 2023

1st Reading: Genesis 2:7-9;3:1-7

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 50:3-6,12-14 17

Response: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned

2nd Reading: Romans 5:12,17-19

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11