



St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

BULLETIN

**THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
11TH AUGUST 2024 - YEAR B**

CONTINUED SCHOOL GRANTS SUCCESS

Five of the six Catholic schools established across St Paul VI parish communities are benefiting from successful grant applications, which will enable improved and expanded learning environments for students and staff.

We congratulate all involved in the planning and application work, locally and at a diocesan level in DOBCEL, working with Govt. authorities.

Each school community will provide local updates to their members, as renovations and new construction gets underway.



CONTACTS

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Parish Office

CLOSED MONDAYS

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Closed between 12.30pm -1.30pm

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Olivia & Josh

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

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Mass Livestreaming

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

(Recordings are deleted weekly, and will be available until Friday each week)

YouTube Channel Link:

<https://www.youtube.com/@smjchurchhorsham/streams>

Save the Date - Celebrating Sr Jacinta Contributions Welcome



On Sunday the 1st of September we will be hosting a special anniversary celebration for Sr Jacinta after the 10.30am Horsham Mass, in the Parish Hall.

This will commemorate Sr Jacinta's 70th year as a Brigidine Sister, as well as her 90th Birthday.

If you would like to contribute a plate of food to this celebration, please let the Parish office know.



Monetary Donations as a gift of appreciation to Sr Jacinta can also be made at the Piety Store in Horsham after the 6.30pm Vigil and Sunday 10.30am Masses, leading to 1st Sept.

WEEKDAY MASSES

	10am	Murtoa - Funeral Mass for Eileen 'Marg' Lingham
Tuesday 13th August	5pm	Warracknabeal
	NO MASS	Horsham
	9.30am	Warracknabeal
Wednesday 14th August	12.30pm	Horsham
	9.30am	Warracknabeal
Thursday 15th August <i>Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9.30am	Horsham
	9.30am	Warracknabeal
Friday 16th August	12.30pm	Horsham
	6.30pm	Horsham - Syro-Malabar Rite Mass
	9.30am	Warracknabeal
Saturday 17th August	9.30am	Horsham

Funeral Mass for Eileen 'Marg' Lingham

St Mary's Catholic Church, Murtoa

Tuesday 13th August 2024 at 10am



HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER		
10th & 11th August	6.30 Vigil	10.30am Sunday
Reader	Garry Heinrich	Louise Chesterfield
Commentator	Sr Jacinta	May Rosello
Eucharist Ministers	Micky Robarts Cath Taylor	Alison McKinnon Fay Wills Rosie Taylor
17th & 18th August	6.30 Vigil	10.30am Sunday
Reader	Sr Jacinta	Anna Robertson
Commentator	Garry Heinrich	Louise Kemp
Eucharist Ministers	Anne Newton Bernadette Trounce Maree Plazzer	Nerrida Holland Geoff Simpson Timothy Lannen
Projector	Geoff Simpson	Rob Sartori
Musicians	Embedded	Embedded
Livestream	Rob Sartori	N/A
Welcomers	Judy Bryan Pat Williams	Marina Manserra Zita Cannane
Tea/Coffee After Mass	N/A	Angela Amor Liz, Anna, Lyn
Prayers	Pat Glaubitz	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	18th August Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn	25th August Zita Cannane Lorraine Clancy Pauline Breen Judi Delahunty

WARRACKNABEAL LITURGY ROSTER		
	11th August Mass 8.30am	18th August Mass 8.30am
Reader	A. Van den Ak.	P. Winsall
Prayers	M. Walder	F. Casey
Collectors	L. Casey	L. Casey
Cleaning	M. Muller & P. Winsall	

NHILL LITURGY ROSTER		
	11th August Mass 11am	18th August Mass 11am
Sacristan	A. Munro	C. Kennedy
Reader	I. Dart	K. Dagleish
Collector	R. Picone	R. Picone
Music	Paul Ramas	Paul Ramas
Cleaning	C. Kennedy	C. Kennedy

HOPETOUN LITURGY ROSTER		
	10th August Vigil 6.30pm	17th August Vigil 6.30pm
Reader	Marilyn Clancy	Joan Bellinger
Offertory	Maureen & Kevin	Claire & Kevin
Eucharistic Minister	N/A	N/A

Natimuk Mass: TBA
Rupanyup Mass: TBA

Child Safety Standards: St Paul VI Parish **Bob Pritchett** is our Safeguarding Officer, Horsham and **Cynthia Maiden**, Hopetoun.

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.

HOLY COMMUNION TO SICK, ELDERLY OR HOUSE BOUND

Parishioners interested in receiving *preparation/ guidance to be able to bring Holy Communion from our churches to Parishioners* can notify Mons Glynn.

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, and name)

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. The Parish also has an NGR number for grain growers who wish to donate through harvest.

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

WEEKEND MASS TIMES THIS WEEKEND

2nd Sunday of the month: **11th August 2024**

Horsham: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**
Hopetoun: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm**
Dimboola: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**
Murtoa: Sunday LLA 10.30am
Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am
Rainbow: Sunday Mass 1pm
Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am

WEEKEND MASS TIMES NEXT WEEKEND

3rd Sunday of the month: **18th August 2024**

Horsham: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**
Hopetoun: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm**
Murtoa: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**
Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am
Dimboola: No LLA
Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am
Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am

PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: Eileen "Marg" Lingham, Shane O'Keefe

ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret Niehus, Jack Slattery, Romeo Villafuerte

SICK: Pat Hateley, Ted Haynes, Max Young, Joan McNamara, Alex Kavoor, Elliot Pumpa, Kevin Clancy, Jodie White, Bernie Ryan, Brendan McKinnon, Cynthia Maiden, Peter James, Noel Kearns, Brenda Ramsdale, Patricia Simpson, Frank White, David Gillard, Jason O'Connell, Tim Clancy, Cassie Simpson, Jean Simpson, Joan Whiley, Adam Cooper

St Vincent de Paul

A representative of St Vincent de Paul is available to assess and assist cases in **Horsham** on **Mon, Wed and Fri** mornings between 11am - 12noon
Appointments essential - Phone **5381 2371** to book.

Be part of the Good News

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P.A.*

12-month Term Investment account

visit catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund/offer to open an account and for disclosure details, or scan the QR

To arrange a appointment, contact Bernard on 0428 890 185



* Rate subject to change. Interest paid on maturity



Next Weekend's Readings 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

1st Reading: Proverbs 9:1-6

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 33:2-3, 10-15

Response: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20 **Gospel:** John 6:51-58

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL June 1st—August 31st



Our parish is supporting the St Vincent de Paul Society's Winter Appeal. Each year, our Winter Appeal plays a vital role in enabling the good works of the Society and, with your support, we hope to achieve a strong result so we can continue serving the community.

Over the past six months, the Society has provided over \$5 million in material assistance, including food, clothing, furniture and financial support, to families and households in need throughout Victoria **alone**.

With the current homelessness crisis, the assistance we provide for people experiencing hardship this Winter will be needed more than ever. Parishioners are encouraged to donate generously to help continue the Society's work of helping those most in need.

Envelopes are available in Horsham church foyer or visit vinnies.org.au. Clean household items are needed, also bedding and blankets, which can be donated at your local St Vincent de Paul assistance centre. (Horsham & Warracknabeal)

You're invited!

St Brigid's College 2024 Milestone Reunions

SATURDAY 19 OCTOBER

50 Year - Class of 1974

40 Year - Class of 1984

30 Year - Class of 1994

20 Year - Class of 2004

10 Year - Class of 2014

We invite past students and staff to join us at St Brigid's College to celebrate your milestone!

SCAN TO RSVP

3:30pm

Afternoon Tea
Followed by School Tours

Get in touch:
(03) 5382 3545
alumni@stbc.vic.edu.au

Please **RSVP** to the St Brigid's College Milestone Reunions event

by scanning the QR code above, or following this link:
<https://forms.gle/dR3xivus6dbRGag59>

ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM

Morning Craft Group

The Craft Group gather weekly in the Parish Office meeting room on Wednesdays, 9.30am - 11.30am

Choir Practice

2nd Wednesday of the month, 4pm at the Church
Any newcomers always welcome

Men's Fellowship

Breakfast - **3rd Thursday** of the month
7.30am - 8.30am at the Parish Hall. All men welcome.

Meditation Group

The Meditation Group meet weekly on Tuesdays, at 2.00pm in the Church meeting room.

Prayer Group

Will meet on the **1st and 3rd Wednesdays** of each month, at 1.30pm in the church meeting room.

Sunday Mass

11th August 2024

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the First Book of Kings 19:4-8

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'Lord,' he said 'I have had enough. Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 33:2-9

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free.

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress.

The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to rescue them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 4:30 - 5:2

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ.

Try, then, to imitate God, as children of his that he loves, and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 6:51

Alleluia! Alleluia!

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

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 6:41-51

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus said in reply, 'Stop complaining to each other. 'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day.

It is written in the prophets: They will all be taught by God, and to hear the teaching of the Father, and learn from it, is to come to me.

Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God: he has seen the Father.

I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life.

I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead; but this is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that a man may eat it and not die.

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.'

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Last Sunday the first reading began with the Hebrews complaining, or rather, muttering against Moses and Aaron, and this week in the gospel "the Jews" mutter about Jesus for saying that he is "bread from heaven". Until this point in the Bread of Life discourse the only other characters or *dramatis personae* are "the disciples" (Andrew and Philip alone being named) and "the crowd" (or "people" in looser translations). This appearance of "the Jews" indicates opposition, but it will become clearer only in verses 60-66 (next Sunday's pericope) that this opposition is not only from among the crowd but also from his disciples. Perhaps homilists are now complaining too, wondering why we must spend four Sundays on a discourse that already appears to be repeating itself.

Repetition is a distinctive Johannine feature in this work that is not so much a telling *about Jesus* in the mode of a linear historical report as it is a contemplative introduction *to Jesus himself* via a multifaceted poetic narrative. Many struggle with this peculiar style, especially in our obsessively analytical age that thinks only direct formulas can truly describe the world. Perhaps some of my parishioners murmur each time they hear me say "John does not tell stories in a straight line." I suspect not a few are incredulous when it is suggested they read the whole of John, preferably in one sitting, and then again and again, until in a sense they see the whole of it, seeing how in adding something each time round John builds complex images in layers,

and threads dispersed elements of a story throughout the whole work. The many layers in a sense allow a play of colour, the whole creating a precious opal. Or like a patchwork quilter, John has divided a few stories into pieces and sown them together in a more complex pattern revealing a deeper beauty in the interacting parts. According to John, the Good News is *Jesus*, but it expands thus: God the Creator loves the world he made, and sent his Son to heal it; to hear the Son (the Word) is to hear the Father and be healed; to see the Son (the Light) is to see the Father and be saved; to know the Son (the Truth) is to know the Father and be free in the truth; to be drawn to or by the Son (the Way) is to be drawn to or by the Father and to be raised, lifted, exalted; to love the Son (the Life) is to love the Father and to live our true life as children of God.

In today's pericope (6:41-51) we find three reiterations of last week's "I am the bread of life" (v.35), in "I am the bread that came down from heaven" (v.41, on the lips of the mutterers who have assembled it from elements in last Sunday's pericope), "I am the bread of life" again (v.48), and finally, "I am the living bread which has come down from heaven" (v.51, which opens next Sunday's pericope). Interlaced with these are several of John's key themes, mentioned above, with Jesus saying: no-one comes to me unless drawn by the Father; the Father sent me; I will raise them up; to come to me is to hear and learn from the Father; none but the one who comes from the Father sees

the Father (an inverted form of "to see the Son is to see the Father"); whoever believes, that is sees, hears, breathes, and "eats" Jesus, receives life. So, homilists, in peace, stop muttering; we have before us today the whole gospel writ brief.

This discourse does not, properly speaking, teach about Eucharist, yet it informs theology of the Eucharist, for that is where encounter with the Word Incarnate is expressed and manifested sacramentally. It should also inform missiology: as Christ, the Bread of Life, entered the world to bring it life in fullness, so also are we, his followers, to engage in the world and feed it. It should be no surprise that from at least Origen the story of the multiplication of the loaves and the feeding of the multitude has been interpreted as Jesus teaching the apostles to be teachers of the Word and so ministers of the Gospel. A question for us then is: in what way are we, Christ's followers, God's Bread for the world? But remembering that bread is composed of many grains, this is a question aimed at each parish community as a whole. Individually we are to be as leaven, quietly working to improve the world, society, from within, but some tasks belong to the whole body. Such work, or mission, engages the members together, which therefore nurtures the community itself, to do what they cannot do alone, and this enables works of greater impact to be undertaken. Works vary according to need, from receiving and sheltering refugees, liberating all manner of captives and the oppressed, to welcoming and uplifting the poor.