



St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

BULLETIN

Presentation of the Lord - YEAR C
2nd February, 2025

EMAIL PROBLEM (GMAIL)

We have had to create multiple separate groups of 'gmail' email addresses for our bulletin mail out to hopefully get around the issue. If you have a gmail email account and are still **NOT receiving** the bulletin email, please contact the Parish office.



CONTACTS

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Parish Office

CLOSED MONDAYS

Office Hours: **TUES - FRI**
9am-12.30pm - 1.30pm-4.00pm
Closed between 12.30pm -1.30pm

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Staff

Olivia

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 will be available until Friday each week)

YouTube Channel Link:

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

The Jubilee Prayer - Pilgrims of Hope

Father in heaven,

May the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 4th February	5.30pm	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Wednesday 5th February	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	5pm	Horsham
Thursday 6th February	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Friday 7th February	5.30pm	Warracknabeal
	12pm	Horsham- SMJ Beginning of Year School Mass
Saturday 8th February	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham

Graveside Funeral Prayer Service for

Leon Conway

Hopetoun Lawn Cemetery

Monday 3rd of February, 11am



<u>HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER</u>			<u>WARRACKNABEAL LITURGY ROSTER</u>		
<u>1st & 2nd February</u>	<u>6.30pm Vigil</u>	<u>10.30am Sunday</u>		<u>2nd February Mass 8.30am</u>	<u>9th February Mass 8.30am</u>
Reader	Emelia Sudholz	Bob Pritchett	Reader	A. Van den Ak.	P. Winsall
Commentator	May Rosello	Gerard Raven	Prayers	L. Casey	P. Winsall
Eucharist Ministers	Pat Glaubitz Lesley Price Anthony Amor	Zita Cannane Gerard Raven Nerrida Holland	Collectors	L. Casey	B. Bentley L. Downes
<u>8th & 9th February</u>	<u>6.30pm Vigil</u>	<u>10.30am Sunday</u>	Cleaning	L Gibson A McFarlane	L Gibson A McFarlane
Reader	Micky Robarts	Nerrida Holland	<u>NHILL LITURGY ROSTER</u>		
Commentator	Betty Heinrich	Alison McKinnon		<u>2nd February Mass 11am</u>	<u>9th February Mass 11am</u>
Eucharist Ministers	Micky Robarts Cath Taylor	Allison McKinnon Rosie Taylor	Sacristan	M. Millington	C. Kennedy
Projector	Geoff Simpson	Gabby Mills	Reader	M. Millington	I. Dart
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Choir	Collector	R. Picone	R. Picone
Livestream	Geoff Simpson	N/A	Music	Quyem	Quyem
Welcomers	Josie Phelan	Joan Whiley Mary Dowsley	Cleaning	C. Pilgrim	C. Pilgrim
Tea/Coffee After Mass	N/A	Angela Amor Liz Both Anna Robertson	<u>HOPETOUN LITURGY ROSTER</u>		
Prayers	Pat Glaubitz			<u>1st February Vigil Mass 6.30pm</u>	<u>8th February Vigil Mass 6.30pm</u>
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	<u>9th February</u> Lynda Hutchinson Bernadette Delahunty Carmel O'Connor	<u>16th February</u> Josie Phelan Pauline Irwin Joan Butler Margo Hogan	Reader	Joan Bellinger	Cynthia Maiden
<p>Child Safety Standards: St Paul VI Parish Bob Pritchett is our Safeguarding Officer, Horsham and Cynthia Maiden, Hopetoun.</p> <p>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.</p> <p><i>Our Parish seeks to always be a child safe Parish.</i></p>			Collectors	Jan & Allan	Diyon Ciju
			Offertory	Anju & Alex Kovoov	Marilyn & Therese
			Eucharistic Minister	N/A	N/A
			<u>RUPANYUP MASS</u>		<u>NATIMUK MASS</u>
			20th February Andrea Weidemann's House		TBA
HOLY COMMUNION TO SICK, ELDERLY OR HOUSE BOUND			<u>Our Parish Finance</u>		
Any family members who are aware of relatives (or friends) in the above situations who would like to receive Holy Communion at their place of residence. Please advise details to our Parish Office at any time. Ministry will be arranged.			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 <i>(Please state envelope number and name)</i>		
			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.		
<u>WEEKEND MASS TIMES</u> THIS WEEKEND			<u>WEEKEND MASS TIMES</u> NEXT WEEKEND		
1st Sunday of the month: <u>1st & 2nd February</u>			2nd Sunday of the month: <u>8th & 9th February</u>		
Horsham: Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am			Horsham: Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am		
Murtoa: Sunday Mass 8.30am			Hopetoun: Saturday Vigil 6.30pm		
Warracknabeal: Sunday Mass 8.30am			Dimboola: Sunday Mass 8.30am		
Nhill: Sunday Mass 11am			Warracknabeal: Sunday Mass 8.30am		
Hopetoun: Saturday Vigil 6.30pm			Nhill: Sunday Mass 11am		
Rainbow: Sunday Mass 1pm			Murtoa: Sunday LLA 9.00am		
Dimboola: NO LLA			Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am		
Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am			Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am		
Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am			Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am		

PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS

Leon Conway (formerly Hopetoun), Sr Lesley Dickinson

ANNIVERSARIES

Elvira Fajardo, Rose White, Noela McFarlane

SICK OR INJURED

Pat Hateley, Ted Haynes, Alex Kavoor, Elliot Pumpa, Kevin Clancy, Bernie Ryan, Brendan McKinnon, Cynthia Maiden, Peter James, Noel Kearns, Patricia Simpson, Frank White, David Gillard, Tim Clancy, Cassie Simpson, Jean Simpson, Adam Cooper, Joan McNamara

**St Mary's Ladies Club
next meeting will be held on**

Tuesday 11th February, 2025

Time: 2.00 p.m

Venue: St Mary's Church Warracknabeal.



Position Vacant

Administration Officer

3 days per week – 9am- 4pm

Parish Office, Roberts Ave Horsham

As of 29th of January, Josh has moved on to another employment position as he continues to build future direction with his family.

We express our gratitude to Josh for his hard work and dedication during his time at the Parish Office, he was a great asset. We wish Josh and his family all the very best in their future endeavours.

We are looking for a person with sound knowledge of Microsoft Word, Publisher, Excel and PowerPoint to fill this role as soon as possible. Must have excellent computer, communication and organisational skills, and be able to work independently as well as part of a team.

A Working with Children Check and National Police Check are required for the successful applicant.

A position description is available at the Parish Office: (10 Roberts Ave, Horsham),
Ph: 5382 1155 or email

managerwimmeramallee@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Please submit application letter and resume with two referees listed. We are looking to fill this position as soon as possible- Applications will close on or before 4pm Friday 14th February 2025.

St Vincent de Paul

A representative of St Vincent de Paul is available to assess and assist cases in **Horsham** on

Mon and Fri mornings between 11am - 12noon

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

St Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee has six schools governed by DOBCEL

Schools can be contacted at the details below.



St Joseph's Primary School, Hopetoun

Principal: Cynthia Maiden

Contact: 5083 3296

principal@sjhopetoun.catholic.edu.au

St Mary's Primary School, Warracknabeal

Principal: Julie Leonard

Contact: 5398 2001

principal@smwarracknabeal.catholic.edu.au

St Patrick's Primary School, Nhill

Principal: Kingsley Dalgleish

Contact: 5391 1575

principal@sphill.catholic.edu.au

St Brigid's College, Horsham (Secondary)

Principal: Gerard Raven

Contact: 5382 3545

principal@stbc.vic.edu.au

Ss Michael and John Primary School, Horsham

Principal: Louise Chesterfield

Contact: 5382 3000

principal@smjhorsham.catholic.edu.au

Our Lady Help of Christian's Primary School, Murtoa

Principal: Chris McCumstie

Contact: 0434 508 994

principal@olhcmurtoa.catholic.edu.au

As partners in Catholic education and open to God's presence, we pursue fullness of life for all.

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 will resume the first Tuesday in February, 2025

Prayer Group

Will resume Wednesday 5th February 2025.

2025 Sacramental Program

Reconciliation – Holy Communion – Confirmation

Reconciliation & Holy Communion available to children in Year 4 and above.

Confirmation is available for children in Year 6 and above who have completed Reconciliation & Holy Communion.

Enrolments close - Friday 14th Feb at 4pm

If you would like more information or to enrol your child, please visit the Parish Office at 10 Roberts Ave or Email: wimmeramallee@ballarat.catholic.org.au

SUNDAY MASS

2nd February 2025

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the Prophet Malachi 3:1-4

The Lord God says this: Look, I am going to send my messenger to prepare a way before me. And the Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his temple; and the angel of the covenant whom you are longing for, yes, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. Who will be able to resist the day of his coming? Who will remain standing when he appears? For he is like the refiner's fire and the fuller's alkali. He will take his seat as refiner and purifier; he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and then they will make the offering to the Lord as it should be made. The offering of Judah and Jerusalem will then be welcomed by the Lord as in former days, as in the years of old.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 23: 7-10

R. Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

O gates, lift up your heads;
grow higher, ancient doors.
Let him enter, the king of glory!

Who is the king of glory?
The Lord, the mighty, the valiant,
the Lord, the valiant in war.

O gates, lift high your heads;
grow higher, ancient doors.
Let him enter, the king of glory!

Who is he, the king of glory?
He, the Lord of armies,
he is the king of glory.

R. Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

Second Reading

The letter to the Hebrews 2:14-18

Since all the children share the same blood and flesh, Jesus too shared equally in it, so that by his death he could take away all the power of the devil, who had power over death, and set free all those who had been held in slavery all their lives by the fear of death. For it was not the angels that he took to himself; he took to himself descent from Abraham. It was essential that he should in this way become completely like his brothers so that he could be a compassionate and trustworthy high priest of God's religion, able to atone for human sins. That is, because he has himself been through temptation he is able to help others who are tempted.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 2:32

Alleluia, alleluia!
This is the light of revelation to the nations,
and the glory of your people, Israel.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 2:22-32

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord - observing what stands written in the Law of the Lord: Every first-born male must be consecrated to the Lord - and also to offer in sacrifice, in accordance with what is said in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man; he looked forward to Israel's comforting and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and he blessed God; and he said :

'Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised; because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Luke's account of the presentation of the Lord in the Temple includes an instance of what is characteristic throughout his gospel: stories often comes in pairs, one with a male protagonist, the other with a female. Here the male and female protagonists are presented in one story. It is worth paying closer attention to the names Luke gives: Simeon, and Anna of the tribe of Asher. The names Simeon and Asher first appear in the account of patriarch Jacob's complicated family life (Gen 29-30). Jacob had intended to marry Rachel, but after the wedding night he discovered he had instead married her elder sister Leah. He did later marry Rachel too. In the meantime fertile Leah hoped that her bearing of children would bring Jacob to love her. Her sec-

ond son was Simeon, said to mean 'Heard'. After Jacob married his beloved Rachel, she proved barren, and so she gave her maid Bilhah to Jacob in effect as her surrogate so that when Bilhah bore two sons Rachel claimed them as her own. Leah ceased to bear after four sons, yet still hoping for Jacob's love she copied Rachel's method and gave her own maid, Zilpah, to Jacob; Leah claimed each of Zilpah's two sons; she named the second son 'Asher', said to mean 'Happy', saying 'Happy am I! For women will call me happy', which is found in a modified form in Mary's Magnificat. Luke's use of these names, Simeon and Asher, may be significant for their being the progenitors of the southernmost and northernmost tribes of Israel, such that the baby Jesus is metaphorically embraced by all of Israel.

It may also be significant that both were second sons, one of a lawful wife and the other of a concubine, thus suited to play a part in the later frequent trope in Jewish and Gentile-Christian conflicts over who the true descendants of Abraham were: the children of the flesh (the elder son) or those by later adoption (the second son). In Luke's gospel the child Jesus was first visited by shepherds, the marginalised of society, however much lauded in the earlier Scriptures. Here he is warmly received by the Israelites, and yet we know that that point will not persist as the gospel unfolds since he will be rejected by at least the leaders of his people. Perhaps that point is that he is received by those who are attentive to the Scriptures, seekers after God and seekers of wisdom. Those who yearn for him do recognise him when he comes.

Next Weekend's Readings - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C

1st Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 137:1-5,7-8

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Response: In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11