



# St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

## BULLETIN



**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - YEAR C**  
**23rd February, 2025**

**We welcome to the family of God in Baptism this weekend**



*Tess Mary Rideout*

*Daughter of Scott & Patricia Rideout*

*May she continue to grow in faith with loving support of her family, friends, Godparents, sponsors and our Parish community.*



### CONTACTS

#### Parish Priest

**Mons. Glynn Murphy**  
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#### Assistant Priest

**Fr Sajan Mathew**  
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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 & Naomi*

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.

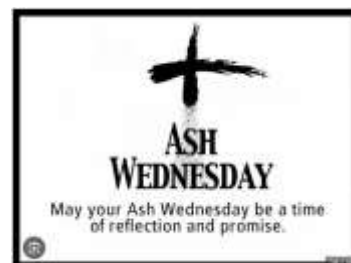
(Recordings will be available until Friday each week)

#### YouTube Channel Link:

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

### Ash Wednesday Masses - 5th March 2025

- 9.30am - **Hopetoun** - St. Joseph's
- 9.30am - **Murtoa** - St. Mary's
- 12pm - **Nhill** - St. Patrick's
- 12pm - **Horsham** - Ss Michael & John
- 5.30pm - **Warracknabeal** - St. Mary's



**CatholicCare Victoria thanks you for your support of the Bishop's Christmas Appeal**

The CatholicCare Victoria team extends its heartfelt gratitude to our parish community for our contribution to the Bishop's Christmas Appeal. As the recipient of the \$5,000 donation from the Bishop's Christmas Appeal proceeds, your generosity and compassion will help us to continue supporting families, individuals, children, young people and the elderly, in our community. We are the Catholic Church's mission in action and we empower people to live their life to the full. Our services range from supporting people who need help accessing aged care services, and remaining independent at home, those that are experiencing homelessness or are at risk of homelessness; and those that are experiencing challenges with their mental health, or with relationships in their family. When families breakdown, we are there to ensure both parents and children have the support they need for their wellbeing and future. We have many services available in the Ballarat region and across Victoria. If you or someone you know needs support, please call 1800 123 228 or visit our website at [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au). Without the support of the parish communities like yours, we would not be able to continue our mission to build thriving communities, where everyone belongs. Together, we are making a positive difference in the lives of people every day!

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 25th February	<b>5.30pm</b>	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Wednesday 26th February	<b>5.30pm</b>	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Thursday 27th February	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	<b>12pm</b>	Horsham - St Brigid's Beginning of Year School Mass
Friday 28th February	<b>10am</b>	Warracknabeal - St Mary's Beginning of Year School Mass
	9.30am	Horsham
	<b>10.30am</b>	Sunnyside Lutheran Rest Home Mass
	<b>6.30pm</b>	Syro-Malabar Rite Mass - Horsham
Saturday 1st March	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham

<b>HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER</b>		
<b>22nd &amp; 23rd February</b>	<b>6.30pm Vigil</b>	<b>10.30am Sunday</b>
<b>Reader</b>	Sr Jacinta	Anna Robertson
<b>Commentator</b>	Garry Heinrich	Louise Kemp
<b>Eucharist Ministers</b>	Micky Robarts Cath Taylor	Alison McKinnon Lois Keegan Rosie Taylor
<b>1st &amp; 2nd March</b>	<b>6.30pm Vigil</b>	<b>10.30am Sunday</b>
<b>Reader</b>	Kevin Dunn	Louise Kemp
<b>Commentator</b>	Micky Robarts	Anna Robertson
<b>Eucharist Ministers</b>	Anne Newton Bernadette Trounce Maree Plazzer	Nerrida Holland Gerard Raven Timothy Lannen
<b>Projector</b>	Geoff Simpson	Gabby Mills
<b>Musicians</b>	Embedded	Embedded
<b>Livestream</b>	Geoff Simpson	N/A
<b>Welcomers</b>	Connie Besselaar & Pat Glaubitz	Joan Whiley Mary Dowsley
<b>Tea/Coffee After Mass</b>	N/A	Leena Robin Soumya Suvy Shaiby
<b>Prayers</b>	Alison McKinnon & Anna Robertson	
<b>Church Cleaning &amp; Flower Arranging</b>	<b>2nd March</b> Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn	<b>9th March</b> Zita Cannane Lorraine Clancy Pauline Breen Judi Delahunty

**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**

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.

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES  
THIS WEEKEND**

**4th Sunday of the month: 22nd & 23rd February**

Horsham: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**  
Dimboola: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**  
Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**  
Beulah: **Saturday Vigil 7pm**  
Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**  
Minyip: **Sunday LLA 10am**  
Murtoa: **Sunday LLA 5pm**  
Hopetoun: **Sunday LLA 9am**  
Rainbow: **Sunday LLA 10am**

<b>WARRACKNABEAL LITURGY ROSTER</b>		
	<b>23rd February Mass 8.30am</b>	<b>2nd March Mass 8.30am</b>
<b>Reader</b>	M Walder	M Farrall
<b>Prayers</b>	F Casey	A Van den Ak.
<b>Collectors</b>	D & K Baxter	D & K Baxter
<b>Cleaning</b>	L Gibson & A McFarlane	

<b>NHILL LITURGY ROSTER</b>		
	<b>23rd February Mass 11am</b>	<b>2nd March Mass 11am</b>
<b>Sacristan</b>	M Millington	M Millington
<b>Reader</b>	J Gurry	C Kennedy
<b>Collector</b>	R Picone	J Kennedy
<b>Music</b>	Quyen	Quyen
<b>Cleaning</b>	C Pilgrim	C Kennedy

<b>HOPETOUN LITURGY ROSTER</b>		
	<b>23rd February LLA 9.00am</b>	<b>1st March Vigil Mass 6.30pm</b>
<b>Reader</b>	Coral Cox	Marilyn Clancy
<b>Collectors</b>	Jacki & Brian	Claire & Kevin
<b>Offertory</b>	Marilyn & Claire	Jan & Allen
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Joan Bellinger	

**RUPANYUP MASS**  
TBA

**NATIMUK MASS**  
TBA

**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 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.

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

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES  
NEXT WEEKEND**

**1st Sunday of the month: 1st & 2nd March**

Horsham: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**  
Murtoa: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**  
Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**  
Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**  
Hopetoun: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm**  
Rainbow: **Sunday Mass 1pm**  
Dimboola: **NO LLA**  
Minyip: **Sunday LLA 10am**  
Beulah: **Sunday LLA 9.30am**

## PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

### Please Remember in Your Prayers

#### RECENT DEATHS

Eric Dare

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Joan & Jack Coffey, Brian Phelan

#### 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, Travis Farrall



At the request of Eric Dare's Widow, Carmel, please be advised that the Funeral of Eric John Dare, formally of Horsham, will be held at **St Patricks Cathedral Ballarat** on **Friday 7th March** at 2pm.



#### HOLY HOUR, HORSHAM

(Lenten Prayer)

Thursday 13th March 1 - 2pm

**Warracknabeal Conference of St Vincent de Paul will meet at St Mary's Church Warracknabeal on Wednesday 6 February at 2:00pm**

### The Horsham Church is in need of Volunteers for:

- Prayers of the faithful
- Special Ministers
- Readers/Commentators
- Overhead (Laptop operation)
- Live streaming (Laptop operation)
- Church cleaning
- Grounds working bees
- Church working bees
- Welcomers

Preparation provided to new volunteers.

If you are able to assist with any of the above, please contact the office. Such is an expression of our Baptised ministry and parish life.

#### Next Weekend's Readings Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C

**1st Reading:** Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

**Responsorial Psalm:** 91:2-3,13-16

**Response:** Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

**2nd Reading:** 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

**Gospel:** Luke 6:39-45

#### 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.

Sunday 16th March 2025 at 7 pm

**HORSHAM**

Sts MICHAEL & JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

# VIVALDI

## THE FOUR SEASONS

4 Concertos for Violin, Strings and basso continuo

# J.C. BACH

Concert in C minor for Violoncello and String Orchestra

## BRAHMS

»F-A-E Sonate« in A minor for String Orchestra (Scherzo)

# SARASATE

»Gypsy Airs« for Violin and Orchestra op. 20

**CHAMBER PHILHARMONIA COLOGNE**

(Germany)

Sergey Didorenko \* Violin      Dmitrij Gornowskij \* Violoncello

Bookings at  
[www.trybooking.com/CXCWG](http://www.trybooking.com/CXCWG)  
Doorsales at St Michael & John's Catholic Church 30 minutes prior to the concert (cash sales only)

Book here

Performance from 7pm-8.45pm

Ticket Prices are as follows:

Adult: \$45    Conc: \$40

Children: \$35    4-16yrs, and Students (school or university from 6-25yrs {proof required})

*Note:* St Paul VI Parish are providing the venue only, and are not taking bookings or ticket sales.

### 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 2pm in the Church meeting room.

#### Prayer Group

Prayer Group meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 1.30pm in the Church meeting room.

The Society of St Vincent de Paul are no longer able to lead the Rosary the evening before a funeral in Horsham due to lack of numbers available. Families wishing to pray the Rosary on evening prior to a funeral can arrange access to the church via the Parish Office and a **family led Rosary** can occur.

## Sunday Mass

23 February 2025

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

*First Reading* 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph. So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

*Responsorial Psalm* Ps 102:1-4, 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* 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

*Gospel Acclamation* John 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment; love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

*Gospel* A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 6:27-38

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.

'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

#### GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today's gospel reading is a continuation of the teaching that began in last Sunday's gospel. We continue to hear Jesus' Sermon on the Plain. Recall that in Luke's Gospel, this teaching is addressed to Jesus' disciples. This is in contrast to the parallel found in Matthew's Gospel, the Sermon on the Mount, in which Jesus' words are addressed to both the disciples and to the crowds. These words from Jesus' teaching are familiar to us. They constitute the crux and the challenge of what it means to be a disciple: Love your enemies, turn the other cheek, give to those who ask, do unto others, lend without expecting repayment, judge not lest you be judged.

There are several similarities between Luke's and Matthew's report of Jesus' great teaching. Both begin with the Beatitudes. Matthew includes nearly all the content that Luke does; the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's Gospel is longer than Luke's Sermon on the Plain. There are, however, differences in language and nuance. For example, Matthew presents this portion of the teaching as a contrast between Jesus' teaching and the teachings of the law and the prophets. This is in keeping with Matthew's concern to address his predominantly Jewish audience. It is likely that Luke omits this contrast because it was unnecessary for the Gentile believers for whom Luke is writing.

Another point of contrast between Matthew and Luke's presentation is the terminology. In Luke, Jesus contrasts the behavior of his followers with the behavior of "sinners." In Matthew, Jesus contrasts the behavior desired with the behavior of tax collectors and Gentiles. Matthew concludes the teaching about love of enemies with the admonition to be perfect as God is perfect; Luke concludes by emphasizing God's mercy. In both Gospels, Jesus' words challenge those who would follow him to be more like God. God loves us beyond our expectations, beyond anything we can possibly imagine. In response to God's love, we are to love as God loves, beyond expectations and with a depth beyond imagining.