



St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

BULLETIN

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - YEAR C
16th February, 2025



CONTACTS

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Parish Office

CLOSED MONDAYS

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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>

Sunday 16th March 2025 at 7 pm

HORSHAM
Ss 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

Performance from 7pm-8.45pm

Ticket Prices are as follows:

Adult: \$45

Conc: \$40

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

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



Bookings online at

www.trybooking.com/CXCWG **OR**

Door sales at Ss Michael & John Catholic Church 30 minutes prior to the concert (cash sales only)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 18th February	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Wednesday 19th February	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Thursday 20th February	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	12pm	Nhill- St Patrick's Beginning of Year School Mass
	5.00pm	Horsham- Catholic Educators Leadership Group Mass <i>All Welcome</i>
	6.30pm	Rupanyup Mass- Andrea Weidemann's house
Friday 21st February	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Saturday 22nd February	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham

HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER		
15th & 16th February	6.30pm Vigil	10.30am Sunday
Reader	Garry Heinrich	Louise Chesterfield
Commentator	Sr Jacinta	Dianne Noy
Eucharist Ministers	Pat Glaubitz Lesley Price Anthony Amor	Zita Cannane Gerard Raven Nerrida Holland
22nd & 23rd February		10.30am Sunday
Reader	Sr Jacinta	Anna Robertson
Commentator	Garry Heinrich	Louise Kemp
Eucharist Ministers	Micky Robarts Cath Taylor	Alison McKinnon Lois Keegan Rosie Taylor
Projector	Geoff Simpson	Rob Sartori
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Choir
Livestream	Geoff Simpson	N/A
Welcomers	Garry & Betty Heinrich	Denise Vallance
Tea/Coffee After Mass	N/A	Jayson, Janeth, Pam, Ruby, Maria & May
Prayers	Anita Masiero & Mary Dalglish	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	23rd February Jenny Clarke Bernie Lakin Rhonda Tursi	1st March Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn

WARRACKNABEAL LITURGY ROSTER		
	16th February Mass 8.30am	23rd February Mass 8.30am
Reader	K Downes	M Walder
Prayers	M Walder	F Casey
Collectors	B Bentley & L Downes	D & K Baxter
Cleaning	L Gibson & A McFarlane	L Gibson & A McFarlane

NHILL LITURGY ROSTER		
	16th February Mass 11am	23rd February Mass 11am
Sacristan	J Gurry	M Millington
Reader	C Kennedy	J Gurry
Collector	R Picone	R Picone
Music	Quyen	Quyen
Cleaning	C Pilgrim	C Pilgrim

HOPETOUN LITURGY ROSTER		
	15th February Vigil Mass 6.30pm	23rd February LLA 9.00am
Reader	School Children	Coral Cox
Collectors	School Children	Jacki & Brian
Offertory	School Children	Marilyn & Claire
Eucharistic Minister		Joan Bellinger

RUPANYUP MASS
Thursday 20th February, 6.30pm
at Andrea Weidemann's house

NATIMUK 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
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.

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 THIS WEEKEND
3rd Sunday of the month: 15th & 16th February
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**

WEEKEND MASS TIMES NEXT 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 9am**
Hopetoun: **Sunday LLA 9am**
Rainbow: **Sunday LLA 10am**

PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS

ANNIVERSARIES

Jack Mullins, Tony Uytdehaag, Ben Leslie, Alma Moore

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

METANOIA

LENTEN PROGRAM 2025

The Metanoia Lenten Program books have arrived for those who have ordered them.

They can be collected from the Parish Office.

A reminder that an electronic copy of our Parish bulletin can be found on the Diocese of Ballarat website each week, uploaded by 3.30pm every Friday.

The direct link to information relating to our Parish is as follows:
<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/parish/wimmera-mallee/>

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 as Catholic faithful.

Next Weekend's Readings Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C

1st Reading: 1st Book of Samuel 26:2,7-9,11-13,22-23

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 102:1-4,8,10,12-13

Response: The Lord is kind and merciful.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

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

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St Brigid's College, Horsham (Secondary)

Principal: Gerard Raven

Contact: 5382 3545

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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

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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 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.

STAFF APPOINTMENT

We welcome Naomi Kafegellis to the team in the Parish Office. Naomi will be in the office 3 days per week, commencing Tuesday 18th February.

Please join us in making Naomi feel welcome.

Sunday Mass

16 February 2025

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah 17:5-8

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited.

'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 1:1-4, 6

R. Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night.

He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper.

Not so are the wicked, not so! For they, like winnowed chaff, shall be driven away by the wind. For the Lord guards the way of the just but the way of the wicked leads to doom.

R. Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Second Reading A reading from the first letter of

St Paul to the Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people. But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 6:23

Alleluia, alleluia!
Rejoice and be glad;
your reward is great in heaven.
Alleluia!

Gospel A reading from the holy Gospel according to

Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

'How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied.

Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Last Sunday we heard Jesus call Peter to be his disciple. Jesus then travels with Peter and the other disciples. Luke reports acts of healing (a person with leprosy and a paralytic man) and the call of Levi, the tax collector. Jesus also replies to questions from the Pharisees regarding fasting and the observance of the Sabbath. In the verses immediately before today's gospel reading, Jesus is reported to have chosen 12 men from among his disciples to be apostles. Apostle is a Greek word that means "one who is sent."

Today's gospel reading is the beginning of what is often called the Sermon on the Plain. We find a parallel to this passage in Matthew 5:1-7, 11 that is often called the Sermon on the Mount. As these titles suggest, there are differences and similarities between these gospel readings.

When spoken from the mountaintop in Matthew's Gospel, we can't miss the impression that Jesus is speaking with the authority and voice of God. The mountaintop is a symbol of closeness to God. Those who ascend the

mountain see God and speak for God; recall the story of Moses and the Ten Commandments. As Luke introduces the location of Jesus' teaching, Jesus teaches on level ground, alongside the disciples and the crowd. Luke presents Jesus' authority in a different light. He is God among us.

Another distinction found in Luke's version is the audience. Luke's Sermon on the Plain is addressed to Jesus' disciples, although in the presence of the crowd; Matthew's Sermon on the Mount is addressed to the crowd. In keeping with this style, the Beatitudes in Luke's Gospel sound more personal than those in Matthew's Gospel—Luke uses the article "you" whereas Matthew uses "they" or "those." There is also a difference in number: Matthew describes eight beatitudes; Luke presents just four, each of which has a parallel warning.

The form of the Beatitudes found in Luke's and Matthew's Gospel is not unique to Jesus. Beatitudes are found in the Old Testament, such as in the Psalms and in Wisdom literature. They are a way to teach about who will find favor with God. The word blessed in this context

might be translated as "happy," "fortunate," or "favored."

As we listen to this Gospel, the Beatitudes jar our sensibilities. Those who are poor, hungry, weeping, or persecuted are called blessed. This is, indeed, a Gospel of reversals. Those often thought to have been forgotten by God are called blessed. In the list of "woes," those whom we might ordinarily describe as blessed by God are warned about their peril. Riches, possessions, laughter, reputation . . . these are not things that we can depend upon as sources of eternal happiness. They not only fail to deliver on their promise; our misplaced trust in them will lead to our demise. The ultimate peril is in misidentifying the source of our eternal happiness.

The Beatitudes are often described as a framework for Christian living. Our vocation as Christians is not to be first in this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. We are challenged to examine our present situation in the context of our ultimate horizon, the Kingdom of God.