

# St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

## BULLETIN



### 1st Sunday of Lent - Year A 26th February 2023

#### 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/](http://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 THIS 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 FRIDAY 3rd MARCH 2023 The country of focus this year is Taiwan.



##### Horsham - 10.30am

Host Church is **Ss Michael & John's Catholic Church Horsham**.  
Please come and support women around the world in prayer.  
**All welcome.** After the service you are welcome to join us for morning tea at the Parish Centre.  
Contact person is Betty Heinrich 0428 328 641

##### Hopetoun - 10.30am

Host Church - Hopetoun Baptist/Uniting Church. **All welcome.**

##### Warracknabeal - 2pm

Host Church - A.O.G Wheatlands District Church, Warracknabeal. After the service afternoon tea will be served, **All welcome.** Faye Smith will be guest speaker.

##### Nhill - 7pm

Host Church - Nhill Uniting Church. **All welcome.**

#### CONTACTS:

##### Parish Priest:

Mons. Glynn Murphy  
Ph: 0419 683 773

##### Assistant Priest:

Fr Matt Restall  
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##### Parish Office:

Office Hours: **CLOSED MONDAYS**

##### TUES - FRI

9am - 12.30pm, 1.30- 4.00pm

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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/@smjchurchhorsham/streams>

#### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 28th February	9.00am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Wednesday 1st March	9.00am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
	1-2pm	Holy Hour - Lent (Horsham)
Thursday 2nd March	9.00am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Friday 3rd March	No Mass	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham (World Day of Prayer following Mass)
Saturday 4th March	9am	Warracknabeal - Baptism of Knox Wilson after 9am Mass
	No Morning Mass	Horsham (6.30pm Vigil Mass still going ahead)

#### Next Weekend's Readings: 2nd Sunday of Lent Year A, 5th March 2023

1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22

Response: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8-10

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

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

Date	Time	Readers	Prayers	Collectors	Special Ministers	Cleaning
<b>26th February Mass</b>	8.30am	P Winsall	M Walder	J & M Aitken	J McFarlane & M Lardner	L Gibson & A McFarlane
<b>4th March Mass</b>	6.30pm	K Downes	F Casey	J & M Aitken	K Downes & B Evans	

### HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER

<b>25th &amp; 26th February</b>	<b>Vigil 6.30pm</b>	<b>Sunday 10.30am</b>
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Bernadette Trounce Joan Parker Lorraine Clancy	Alison McKinnon Fay Wills Rosie Taylor
<b>Reader</b>	Micky Robarts	Andrea Cox
<b>Commentator</b>	Betty Heinrich	Dianne Noy
<b>4th &amp; 5th March</b>	<b>Vigil 6.30pm</b>	<b>Sunday 10.30am</b>
<b>Reader</b>	Garry Heinrich	Nerrida Holland
<b>Commentator</b>	Sr Jacinta	Louise Kemp
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Micky Robarts Cath Taylor Anthony Amor	Mary Dalglish Anna Robertson Timothy Lannen
<b>Projector</b>	Geoff Simpson	Gabby Mills
<b>Musicians</b>	Chris Robarts	Choir
<b>Livestream</b>	Rob Sartori	-
<b>Welcomers</b>	Judy Bryan Pat Williams	Denise Vallance Helene Bush
<b>Prayers</b>	Darryl & Maree Wren	
<b>Church Cleaning &amp; Flower Arranging</b>	<b>5th March</b> Jenny Clarke Bernie Lakin Rhonda Tursi	<b>12th March</b> Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn Maureen McInerney

### HOPETOUN CHURCH ROSTER

	<b>26th February Mass 11am</b>	<b>5th March Mass 9am</b>
<b>Readers</b>	School Children	Claire White
<b>Offertory/Lay-led</b>	School Children	Marilyn Clancy Therese Bellinger
<b>Special Minister</b>		

### NHILL LITURGY ROSTER

	<b>26th February LLA 10am</b>	<b>5th March LLA 10am</b>
<b>Reader &amp; Prayers</b>	D Munro	I Dart
<b>Lay Leaders</b>	C Kennedy	D Munro
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	A Munro	J Gurry
<b>Offertory</b>		
<b>Monthly Collector</b>	J Millington	E Cameron
<b>Cleaning</b>	A Munro	C Pilgrim

**Natimuk Mass:** 2nd March, 6.30pm,  
at 245 Pelchens Road, Quantong  
**Rupanyup Mass:** T. B. A

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.*

#### 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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### WEEKEND MASS TIMES **THISWEEKEND**

**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

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES **NEXT WEEKEND**

**1st Weekend of the Month: 4th & 5th March**

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am  
Murtoa: Sunday 8.30am  
Warracknabeal: Saturday 6.30pm  
Hopetoun: Sunday 9am  
Rainbow: Sunday 11am  
Dimboola: Sunday LLA 8.30am  
Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am  
Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am  
Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

## PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

### Please Remember in Your Prayers

**RECENT DEATHS:** Lila Grayling (Ouyen)

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Leslie Woodhead, Col Bigham, Peter Jackman, Jack Blackwood

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

**NOTICE:** 2 Female Parishioners seeking 2 bedroom rental accommodation within Horsham. Please call the Parish Office on 53821155 if you are aware of anything that may be suitable.

### 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.

### Notice of Upcoming Committee Meetings

*(information for committee members)*

- **Next Parish Council Meeting:** Wednesday 1st March  
5.30pm Parish Office meeting room, Horsham
- **Next Finance Committee Meeting:** Thursday 16th March  
5.30pm Parish Office meeting room, Horsham



## First Sunday of Lent



After losing her father when she was just 10-years-old, **Laxmi** was at risk of falling further into extreme poverty. But with the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club, became a leader in her school and is now a mentor to other children in her village. **Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.**

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/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling 1800 024 413.

## Sacramental Program 2023

### St Paul VI Parish

St Paul VI Parish is pleased to announce that over the course of 2023, children will be able to again choose to progress in being part of the Sacramental life of the Catholic Church. The Parish will offer a new program of preparation to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation. Parents are the first teachers of the faith to their children and are therefore encouraged to play an active part in helping their child prepare for the Sacraments.

**Families are invited to attend an Information Session in one of the following locations, where further details will be provided, and any questions can be answered.**

Hopetoun	Horsham	Murtoa	Nhill	Warracknabeal
Sunday 26 March after 11am Mass	Sunday 19 March after 10:30am Mass	Wednesday 15 March 4pm in Church	Tuesday 14 March 4pm in Hall	Thursday 23 March 3.30pm in Church

## Lenten Holy Hour *(Private Reflection)*

**Ss Michael & John's  
Church, Horsham**

**1pm-2pm**

<b>Wednesday</b>	1st March	<b>1st Week of Lent</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	9th March	<b>2nd Week of Lent</b>
<b>Monday</b>	13th March	<b>3rd Week of Lent</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	22nd March	<b>4th Week of Lent</b>
<b>Friday</b>	31st March	<b>5th Week of Lent</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	4th April	<b>Holy Week</b>

### 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**  
**26 February 2023**

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**  
**1st SUNDAY of LENT**

*First Reading*

A reading from the book of Genesis 2:7-9,3:1-7

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being.

The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden.

The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?'

The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death."' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

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

**R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.

In your compassion blot out my offence.

O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin.

My offences truly I know them;

my sin is always before me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned;  
what is evil in your sight I have done.

A pure heart create for me, O God,  
put a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your presence,  
nor deprive me of your holy spirit.

Give me again the joy of your help;  
with a spirit of fervour sustain me.

O Lord, open my lips

and my mouth shall declare your praise.

**R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

*Second Reading*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 5:12, 17-19

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

*Gospel Acclamation* Matthew 4:4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

*Gospel*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down; for scripture says: *He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.*'

Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: *You must not put the Lord your God to the test.*'

Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: *You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.*'

Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.

**LOYOLA PRESS REFLECTION**

In each of the three Synoptic Gospels (Mark, Matthew, and Luke), after Jesus' baptism by John, Jesus is reported to have gone to the desert to fast and pray for 40 days. In each case, while in the desert, Jesus is tempted by the devil.

Matthew and Luke give more detail than Mark does, but each one tells how the devil tempts Jesus in the desert. In Matthew, as in Luke, the devil presents three temptations to Jesus. The devil tempts Jesus to use his power to appease his hunger; he tempts Jesus to put God's promise of protection to the test; and he offers Jesus all of the kingdoms of the world if Jesus will worship the devil. In each case, Jesus resists the temptation, rebuking the devil with words from Scripture.

The account of Jesus' temptation in the desert is filled with

allusions and parallels to the Old Testament, including the story of the people of Israel. The Israelites spent 40 years wandering in the desert in Exodus, for example, and Jesus spends 40 days in the desert. As the Israelites were tempted during the Exodus, so too is Jesus tempted.

Each temptation offers insight into both God and the human condition. Jesus' rejection of the temptations shows that he will not put God to the test. Grounding himself on the word and authority of Scripture, Jesus rebukes the devil, confident in God's protection and faithfulness.

As we start our journey through Lent, our Sunday readings call us to adopt the same confidence that Jesus had in the face of temptation: God's word alone will suffice; God's promise of protection can be trusted; God alone is God.