

# St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee



HOPETOUN



PARISHES

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

## BULLETIN

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B - 22nd August 2021

### BISHOP PAUL VISITING WARRACKNABEAL & HOPETOUN

Bishop Paul is visiting the northern former parishes over 27-30th August. Bishop Paul, accompanied by Mons Glynn, will conduct visits (COVID restrictions permitting) to both St Mary's and St Joseph's schools, meeting students and staff. He will also have times available for private meetings with parishioners if desired, in Warracknabeal on Saturday afternoon and Hopetoun on Sunday, after Mass. Masses at Warracknabeal and Hopetoun will give thanks for past generations of parishioners, in the decades when they centred as individual parishes. He will lead the Sunday Mass at 9am in Rainbow, prior to Hopetoun at 11am. He will also celebrate the Saturday morning Warracknabeal Mass and meet with representatives from church groups afterwards. Mons Glynn will make final arrangements this week. Later this year Bishop Paul will celebrate similar Masses of Thanksgiving for the former parish centres at Nhill and Horsham.



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**In-person attendance for all Weekday & Weekend Masses in our Parish are welcome; provided that the number of attending worshippers does not exceed 100.**

**Entry into the Horsham Church will be via the front doors only for both 6.30pm Saturday & 10.30am Sunday Masses - to help ensure we do not exceed the '100 people' limit.**

The 10.30am Sunday Mass in Horsham 22nd August will be **livestreamed** on our Eucharistic Facebook group page which you can join at: <https://bit.ly/3eYADvV>



The video recording of the Mass will also be available on the page, after the livestream; for all to download and watch at a later time.

### "Our Diocesan Community" - Issue 2 2021

Available at all Churches in our Parish. Copies are also available at our Parish office for all visiting.

### Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

- St. Alphonsus Liguori



We welcome to the family of God in Baptism this Sunday: (Hopetoun)

**Dawson Raymond Donnan**

\* Son of Taylor & Shelby

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A warm welcome also to : **Enid Knight**

- Year 6 student at Laharum Primary School, as she receives the Holy Sacrament of Reconciliation at the Horsham, 6.30pm Saturday Mass this weekend.

May they continue to grow in faith with loving support of their families, friends, Godparents, sponsors and our Parish community.

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday 23 August	9.00am	Warracknabeal
Tuesday 24 August - St Bartholomew	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Wednesday 25 August	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Thursday 26 August	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Friday 27 August - St Monica	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Saturday 28 August - St Augustine	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham

Reminder to please check our **Mass Schedule on the next page**

- **for next weekend as it may differ from usual times.**

# ROSTERS

## ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Warracknabeal) —2021 LITURGY ROSTER

Date & Time	Time	Readers	Prayers	Offertory	Collectors	Special Ministers
Aug. 22 Sun.	8.30am	K Downes	K Downes	Downes Family	D & K Baxter	M Muller & J MacFarlane
Aug. 28 Sat.	6.30pm	M Walder	M Farrall	<i>(please volunteer)</i>	D & K Baxter	M Lardner & K Downes

### HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER

21/22 Aug.	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Sr Jacinta Rice Micky Robarts Bernadette Trounce	Cate Rigby Mary Dalgleish Anna Robertson
<b>Reader</b>	Sr Jacinta Rice	Michael Connellan
<b>Commentator</b>	Garry Heinrich	Dianne Noy
<b>28/29 Aug.</b>	<b>Vigil 6.30pm</b>	<b>Sunday 8.30am</b>
<b>Reader</b>	Frank O'Connor	Anna Robertson
<b>Commentator</b>	Micky Robarts	Angela Murphy
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Lorraine Clancy Pat Glaubitz Cath Taylor	Timothy Lannen Karen Hill Bob Pritchett
<b>Projector</b>	Geoff Simpson	Gabby Mills
<b>Musicians</b>	Chris Robarts	Combined Choir
<b>Welcomers</b>	Garry & Betty Heinrich	Denise Vallance Helene Bush
<b>Prayers</b>	John & Joan Parker	
<b>Church Cleaning &amp; Flower Arranging</b>	<b>29th August</b> Lynda Hutchinson Bernie Delahunty Gwen Antonucci Carmel O'Connor	<b>5th September</b> Josie Phelan Pauline Irwin Joan Butler Margo Hogan

### Warracknabeal Church Cleaning: August

- K Baxter, M Farrall, M Ginnane

### NHILL LITURGY ROSTER

	<u>August 22nd:</u> 10am LLA	<u>August 29th:</u> 11am Mass
<b>Reader &amp; Prayers</b>	A Munro	M Millington
<b>Lay Leaders</b>	M Millington	-
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	J Gurry	-
<b>Offertory</b>	-	L Welsch
<b>Monthly Collector</b>	J Millington	J Millington
<b>Counter</b>	J Kennedy	A Munro
<b>Cleaning</b>	M Millington	M Millington

### HOPETOUN CHURCH ROSTER

	<u>August 22:</u> 11am Mass	<u>August 29:</u> 11am Mass
<b>Readers</b>	Claire White	Neha Kovoor
<b>Offertory/ Lay-led</b>	Olive Wellington & Vincent Landrigan	Maureen & Kevin Clancy
<b>Ministers</b>	-	-

## MASSES, PRAYERS & REPORTS

### MASS TIMES NEXT WEEK

#### 5th Weekend of the Month:

**Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 8.30am**

**Warracknabeal: Saturday 6.30pm**

**Rainbow: Sunday 9am**

Nhill: Sunday 11am

**Hopetoun: Sunday 11am**

**Murtoa: Sunday LLA 8.30am**

Dimboola: Sunday LLA 9am

Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am

Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am

*Please note:  
any upcoming  
changes in  
Victorian COVID-19  
restrictions will  
apply.*

### **Child Safety Standards:** (Ss Michael & John Horsham)

**Bob Pritchett and Jill McGinnisken** are our Safeguarding Officers. We have a **Child Safety Policy** to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children in our care. A **Code of Conduct** has also been adopted for all who work with children and vulnerable adults in the Parish. *Our Parish seeks to always be a child safe Parish.*

### PRAYER FOR THE SICK AND CARERS:

Compassionate and ever-loving God, You are the source and creator of all healing power. We entrust our sick to your loving care. We pray your blessings upon all in their own homes, in hospitals, nursing homes, hospice care, palliative care. May You be their source of comfort in pain, of hope in times of despair, woundedness or sorrow, their solace and inspiration when they are unable to lift their hearts, minds and voices to You in prayer. Bless them with courage and faith to place their trust in your healing touch and love. Bless caregivers, as channels of your love, they are your hands on earth. Give them gentleness as they help the sick, give them respect for their dignity and value to You. Give carers and helpers patience and courage as they manage their time, to best serve those who are needful of their care, to continue to serve when weakened by constant demands and when they need your enduring help. Give them love and understanding to be a caring companion, on the path of pain and sadness with the sick. Bless the ministry of those who take Holy Communion to the elderly or sick, in Homes or in Hospital.

### OTHER MASSES:

**Natimuk: 24th August, 6.30pm @ the former Arapiles Shire building, opposite the Natimuk Hotel.**  
*Please RSVP with Elaine at 0428 871 227.*

**Rupanyup: Next date and location to be decided...**

### **Pope's universal prayer for August:**

"Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel."

### **NOTICES FOR BULLETINS:**

Please submit any upcoming notices to the Parish Office by **Thursday**. Thank you.

# SCHOOLS & PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

## Please Remember in Your Prayers

**RECENT DEATHS:** Peter Ginnane (Warracknabeal)

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Bill McGrath, Barry Lattanzo, Ellen Fewster-Hynes, Evelyn Duffus, Frank Delahunty, Jewel Hopper, Margaret Cotter, Gino Panozzo, Les Jones, Christina Lawson

**SICK:** Ken Dowsley, Des Gaynor, Heather McPhee, Shilpa Joe, Joan Glen, Elsie Thomas, Kobe Davidson, Mary Thompson, Bob Atkins, Moira Kelly snr, Leo Bourke, Jill & Christie Higginbottom, Tom & Margaret Murphy, John Hickey, Pat Hateley, Lou White, Patricia Simpson, Helen Polack, Peter Rowe, Sam McCulloch, Noreen Voigt, Laurie Grayling, Brett Cox, Ted Haynes, Lorna Keenan, Margaret Lawson, Olive Wellington

**ANOINTING:** On request to Fr Jim McKay or Mons. Glynn Murphy, or please call the Parish Office (please see front page for contact details).

### 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

Normal contributions through Sunday Collections or dropping in to the office are also welcome.

~ 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.**

### Collections (Sunday 1st Aug.):

#### 1st Collection (Presbytery):

Beulah: \$45.44      Dimboola: \$53.00      Horsham: \$1015.00  
Hopetoun: \$90.00      Murtoa: \$95.00

#### 2nd Collection (Parish):

Dimboola: \$80.00      Horsham: \$1231.00  
Hopetoun: \$10.00      Murtoa: \$45.44

Links to online Masses and other resources can be found on our Diocesan website at: <https://bit.ly/2Viah12>

### Social Justice Sunday – August 29, 2021

The Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2021-22: *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*, affirms that "we human beings need a change of heart, mind, and behaviour". You can download the statement from the ACBC Office for Social Justice website <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2021/06/24/social-justice-statement-2021-22/>

### Safeguarding Sunday—12 September 2021

The Catholic Church in Australia marks 12 September: Safeguarding Sunday. We pray for those who have been abused, along with their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for all. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: [www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday](http://www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday)

**Making Connections:** Have you ever been tempted to walk away? What has kept you on the journey? During this week make Peter's act of faith your own: Lord, to whom shall we go? You alone have the words of eternal life and we believe. We know that you are the Holy One of God.

**Living the Word:** The disciples are at a crossroads; they must make a choice to stay or go. Life in faith is not always easy. It offers a challenge to accepted ways of thinking and behaving.

**Daily Prayer:** In Jesus, your Holy One, you have given us the words of eternal life, O God, but you leave your household free to choose whom we will serve: the gods of the lands in which we live, or you, the living God. Far be it from us to forsake you! To whom shall we go? Nourish us with Christ's flesh and blood. May we have life ourselves, and bring life-giving love to others.

**Vocational View:** Jesus teaches us about life everlasting. "Your words Lord are spirit and life ..." It is this that gives us hope when we despair, a way of living when we stray from God's way. "The words I have spoken are spirit and they are life." It is God's words that we need to hear to lift our spirit and give life. Pray for vocations.

### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM:

#### Morning Craft Group:

Mondays @ Parish Office Meeting Room, 9.30-11.30am.

#### Meditation Group:

Tuesdays 2pm in the Church Meeting Room.

#### Choir Practice:

6pm, 2nd Wednesday of each month.

#### Men's Fellowship Breakfast:

7.30-8.30am, 3rd Thursday of each month @ the Parish Hall.

#### Ecumenical-Charismatic Prayer Group:

1.30-3.30pm, Wednesdays @ Parish office meeting room

#### Stations of the Cross:

Fridays, 10.30am at the Church with Fr Jim McKay.

#### Saturday Morning Devotions:

8.30am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,  
8.50am - Rosary and prayers of the Church,  
9.30am Saturday Morning Mass

**Note: COVID restrictions, Public Holidays, Seasons and times where the Priest is away cancels the event.**

### Being Alive in the Spirit—Oceania Pastoral Ministry Webinar:

Leisa Anslinger, Associate Director for Pastoral Vitality for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and the founder of Catholic Life and Faith, a centre for evangelization, stewardship, and servant leadership development, will join local presenters as we share how we continue to be Alive in the Spirit. The webinar will be held on Tuesday, August 24, 2021 from 10.00am – 11.30am (AEST) is open to everyone who seeks continual renewal in the Spirit. For more info, visit: <https://aliveinthespirit.com.au/oceania-webinar-with-leisa-anslinger/>

"All who are led by the Spirit of God, are sons and daughters of God." - St Paul, Romans 8:14

### "THANK YOU"

On behalf of the Sheridan family, we would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts, cards, phone calls; on the passing of our dear mother, Pat. We would also like to thank Fr Jim and Mons. Glynn for their assistance. We appreciated this very much. Kind regards, Judy, Graeme, John (dec), Sue, Peter, Dianne (dec), Jan, Maryann, Russel & families.

**First Reading: Joshua 24:1-2,15-18**

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people: 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.' The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 33:2-3, 16-23**

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.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The Lord turns his eyes to the just and his ears to their appeal.

They call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save.

Many are the trials of the just man but from them all the Lord will rescue him. He will keep guard over all his bones, not one of his bones shall be broken.

Evil brings death to the wicked; those who hate the good are doomed. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

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**Second Reading: Ephesians 5:21-32**

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord,

since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives submit to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body - and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

**Gospel Acclamation: cf John 6:63, 68**

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life: you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

**Gospel: John 6:60-69**

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?' 'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. 'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him. Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

**Gospel Reflection from Loyola Press: (SunBOrd21)**

For our Gospel today we hear the conclusion of the "Bread of Life discourse" in the sixth chapter of John's Gospel. In the preceding verses, which we have heard proclaimed in our liturgy over the past few weeks, we have heard Jesus explain that he is the Bread of Life, given so that those who believe may have eternal life. This discourse follows the miracle in which Jesus fed more than five thousand people with five barley loaves and two fish. As Jesus has been teaching these things, John's Gospel describes a murmuring crowd unable to accept Jesus' words. In today's Gospel, the crowd has dwindled in number, and John no longer references them, or the Jews. Instead John describes the questioning of those considered to be Jesus' own disciples. Today's Gospel first records the response of those in the crowd who are described as Jesus' disciples. Just as the larger crowd had struggled with Jesus' teaching, these disciples also cannot accept Jesus' words. Jesus is said to know about their murmuring. He responds by acknowledging their unbelief and by reiterating that only those chosen by the Father will follow

Jesus to the end. John's Gospel reports that many of those who had been Jesus' disciples ceased to follow him at this point. The number of people following Jesus dwindled from a crowd of more than 5,000 to only 12 people. And it is to these Twelve that Jesus now turns his attention. Simon Peter's response to Jesus' question as to whether those closest to him will also leave, reminds us of the reports of Peter's confession of faith in the Synoptic Gospels. Peter announces, on behalf of all the Twelve, that they have come to believe all that Jesus has taught about himself: Jesus is the one from God in whom they have found the path to eternal life. This conclusion of the Bread of Life discourse focuses on personal faith in the life of Christian discipleship. Each person must make his or her own judgment about who Jesus is and in doing so determine the way of life that he or she will follow. God's grace invites us to be Jesus' disciples, but each person must respond to the grace of God and confess as his or her own the belief that Jesus is the one from God. This faith then commits us to the path of life, leading us to eternal life.

**Prayer for the Plenary Council:**

"Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land. O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying. Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen. Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary McKillop, pray for us." Visit <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au> for more information and to keep up to date with reports.

