



# St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

## BULLETIN

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B - 19 September 2021



To be first is to be servant of all. 'Anyone who welcomes a child; welcomes me'

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**Horsham Sunday Mass Collections:**

Donations and envelopes can be dropped into the baskets at the foyer of the Horsham Church; after the Sunday 10.30am Mass. Thank you.

**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

Based on the Victorian Government's announcement on 8th September 2021: **Religious Ceremonies (such as Parish Mass) are now allowed to be held - for up to 20 attendees; excluding those who are required to conduct the service.**


**This Weekend's Masses will proceed as per the below schedule:**

- ♦ Warracknabeal – Mass Saturday 6.30pm
- ♦ Beulah – Mass Sunday 8.30am
- ♦ Murtoa – Mass Sunday 8.30am
- ♦ Nhill – Mass Sunday 11am
- ♦ Horsham – Livestreamed Mass Sunday 10.30am + the first 20 bookings through the parish office to attend the Mass in-person\*

*\*Please note: we advise that those who are able to watch the online Mass consider doing so; this allows us to reserve our 20-person booking limit for those who do not have online/technological access.*


**The 10.30am Parish Mass this Sunday 19th September 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.**



**Social Services Sunday - 19th September 2021**

Today, we mark Social Services Sunday. We invite all to give thanks and pray for all who stand with and provide support to those who are marginalised and vulnerable within our communities. We recognise with deep gratitude, those working within Catholic Social Services Victoria's 43 member organisations, the 7,000 staff and 17,000 volunteers, who together, serve more than 200,000 people in need each year. We also give thanks for all in our parishes, who are so often at the forefront of providing practical support and care to those in need within their local communities, and beyond. We call to mind the recent 2021/22 *Social Justice Statement – Cry of the Earth Cry of the Poor* – released by the Australian Catholic bishops, which reminds us of the social mission of the Church and which urges us to reflect on 'the bigger picture' and to act together on social, economic and ecological issues. Together, we all have a role to play in building a just and equitable society, where all have equal opportunities to flourish and prosper.



**WEEKDAY MASSES:**

|  |                  |                          |
|--|------------------|--------------------------|
| Monday 20 September<br>- Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon    | 9.00am           | Warracknabeal            |
| Tuesday 21 September<br>- St Matthew               | 9.00am<br>9.30am | Warracknabeal<br>Horsham |
| Wednesday 22 September<br>- St Pius of Pietrelcina | 9.00am<br>9.30am | Warracknabeal<br>Horsham |
| Thursday 23 September                              | 9.00am<br>9.30am | Warracknabeal<br>Horsham |
| Friday 24 September                                | 9.00am<br>9.30am | Warracknabeal<br>Horsham |
| Saturday 25 September                              | 9.00am<br>9.30am | Warracknabeal<br>Horsham |

**Please Check Victorian Government directions for any changes in Church openings.**

# ROSTERS

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

| Date & Time    | Time   | Readers     | Prayers  | Offertory          | Collectors        | Special Ministers      |
|----------------|--------|-------------|----------|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Sep. 18 - Sat. | 6.30pm | J McFarlane | M Walder | L Gibson/K Moloney | T Evans & L Casey | K Downes & B Evans     |
| Sep. 26 - Sun. | 8.30am | M Aitken    | F Casey  | M & J Lardner      | T Evans & L Casey | M Muller & J McFarlane |

### HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER

|                                    |   |  |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| 19 Sep.                            | 10.30am Sunday only   |  |
| Eucharistic Ministers              | The Horsham Mass will be Livestreamed.<br>In-person attendance is limited to 20 bookings. |  |
| Reader                             |   |  |
| Commentator                        |   |  |
| 25/26 Sep.                         | Vigil 6.30pm  | Sunday 10.30am   |
| Reader                             | Anthony Amor  | Louise Kemp  |
| Commentator                        | Betty Heinrich  | Andrea Cox   |
| Eucharistic Ministers              | Sr Jacinta Rice<br>Micky Robarts<br>Bernadette Trounce                                    | Timothy Lannen<br>Karen Hill<br>Lynda Hutchinson                                 |
| Projector                          | Geoff Simpson   | Gabby Mills  |
| Musicians                          | Chris Robarts   | Teresa Bottoms   |
| Welcomers                          | Bob & Tess Hayes  | Nanette Freckleton<br>Lyn Starr  |
| Prayers                            | John & Joan Parker  |  |
| Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging | 26th September<br>Zita Cannane<br>Lorraine Clancy<br>Veronica Barker                      | 3rd October<br>Lucille Pekin<br>Pauline Breen<br>Sue Chalkley<br>Judie Delahunty |

### NHILL LITURGY ROSTER

|                             | September 19:<br>Mass 11am | September 26:<br>LLA 10am |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Reader &amp; Prayers</b> | D Munro                    | M Millington              |
| <b>Lay Leaders</b>          | -                          | I Dart                    |
| <b>Eucharistic Minister</b> | -                          | J Gurry                   |
| <b>Offertory</b>            | S Lawler                   | -                         |
| <b>Monthly Collector</b>    | J Millington               | J Millington              |
| <b>Counter</b>              | J Kennedy                  | J Kennedy                 |
| <b>Cleaning</b>             | A Munro                    | A Munro                   |

### HOPETOUN CHURCH ROSTER

|                               | September 19:<br>9am LLA           | September 26:<br>11am Mass         |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Readers</b>                | Olive Wellington                   | Horman Family                      |
| <b>Offertory/<br/>Lay-led</b> | Joan Bellinger &<br>Marilyn Clancy | Olive Wellington &<br>Claire White |
| <b>Ministers</b>              | Olive Wellington                   | -                                  |

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

## MASS TIMES & REPORTS

### MASS TIMES NEXT WEEK

#### 4th Weekend of the Month:

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm\* (if 50+ allowed\*),  
Sunday 10.30am

Dimboola: Sunday 8.30am

Warracknabeal: Sunday 8.30am

Minyip: Saturday 5pm (Grand-final week only)

Hopetoun: Sunday 11am

Murtoa: Sunday LLA 9am

Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am

Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am

Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

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

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

#### 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.**

### OTHER MASSES:

**Natimuk:** Tuesday 28 September - location to be decided...

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

#### 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.

### BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND: ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS

Envelopes are available at all our Churches, and dropped into our collection baskets during weekend Masses. You can also drop in any donations at our Parish office.



#### Collections:

##### 1st Collection (Presbytery):

|                    |                    |                   |
|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Beulah: \$225.00   | Dimboola: \$170.40 | Horsham: \$860.00 |
| Hopetoun: \$155.00 | Murtoa: \$150.60   | Minyip: \$132.00  |
| Rainbow: \$69.30   |                    |                   |

##### 2nd Collection (Parish/Envelopes):

|                    |                  |                    |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Dimboola: \$300.00 | Murtoa: \$215.00 | Horsham: \$1764.00 |
| Hopetoun: \$15.00  |                  | Minyip: \$107.00   |

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# SCHOOLS & PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

## Please Remember in Your Prayers

**RECENT DEATHS:** Sr Anne McMillan rsm, Maureen O'Day

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Fr Peter Claridge, Jack Ivess, Patrick Higgins, Fr Paul Mercovich, Sr Barbara May csb, Gavin Frew, Jean Marie Grigg

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

**Anointing:** On request to Mons. Glynn Murphy or Fr Jim McKay, or please call the Parish Office.

### 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.

### **"The Greatest Story Ever Told"**

As a collection of books by many authors from many centuries, the Bible contains many different kinds of writing. At 7pm during Monday nights – from 13 September to 11 October: Lecturer David Schutz seeks to introduce you to the Scriptures, what kind of writings they are, how they came to us, and how the Church reads them. **A small group will be joining in the online lecture from our Parish office; for those interested in attending these small gatherings please call 5381 1155.** For more info and to book yourself individually for the online course, you can also visit their website: <http://animanetwork.org/anima-education/an-introduction-to-scripture/>

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### **ACRATH 2022 calendars now available**

By purchasing a 2022 ACRATH calendar, you're supporting its efforts to promote its work in raising awareness of human trafficking issues. For more information, visit: <https://acrath.org.au/acrath-2022-calendar/>

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### **No Interest Loans available for those doing it tough**

Safe, fair and affordable credit is available for essential goods and services such as fridges, washing machines, car repairs and medical procedures for up to \$1,500. Repayments are set at an affordable amount over 12 to 18 months. To find out more about Good Shepherd Australia New Zealand's No Interest Loans, visit <https://bit.ly/3gWsARb>

**Tuesday 21st September - UN International Day of Peace** is devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all nations and people. The UN adopted Sustainable Development Goals because they understood that it would not be possible to build a peaceful world if steps were not taken to achieve economic and social development for all people everywhere, and ensure that their rights were protected: poverty, hunger, health, education, climate change, water, sanitation, energy, gender, environment and social justice.



**Making Connections:** How have you welcomed Jesus into your life so far? Try to empty yourself this week of the desire to be in control. Look for ways of being of service to others. Perhaps spend time with and learn from a child. What can we learn of faith from their example?

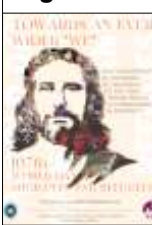
**Sharing the Tradition:** St Mary MacKillop, Catherine McAuley, Frédéric Ozanam were responsible for beginning ministries of service which still exist today. What are the most urgent issues requiring a response of solidarity in our own nation at this time?

**Daily Prayer:** O God, whose hand shelters the just and righteous, and whose favour rests on the lowly, banish hypocrisy from our hearts and purify us of all selfish ambition. Let your word sown among us bring a harvest of peace.

**Vocational View:** When Jesus says, "If you wish to rank first, you must be last of all and the servant of all," are you willing to serve as Jesus did?

**24 September -Our Lady of Mercy Day** We celebrate Mary's knowledge of God's mercy - She knows its price; she knows how great it is. We extend blessings and prayers to the Sisters of Mercy.

### **Migrant & Refugee Sunday 2021 – September 26**



Pope Francis has chosen the theme: Towards An Ever Wider "We", for the 107th World Day of Migrant and Refugees this year. The Australian Catholic Migrant & Refugee Office has produced the 2021 kit which includes stories from local communities, reflections and prayers of the faithful to assist parishes, schools, families and other Church communities in celebrating this important event. For more info visit: <https://www.acmro.catholic.org.au/resources/migrant-refugee-kit/booklet>

A Multicultural Mass is also available to watch online through the Archdiocese of Adelaide - live at 2.30pm (ACST) on the 26th September here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-eKe4cMXvY>

### **Prayer for Wonder and Awe:**

"God of wonders, you show us your beauty in all created things. Help us to pay attention: to the taste of the ocean on our lips, the warmth of the sun on our hands, the song of birds in the morning and evening, the fragrance of the earth after rain, and to the star that guides us. Creator God, we stand in awe of all that you have made. Fill our hearts with gratitude for every good gift, great and small, that feeds and forms us, inviting and enabling us to become people who are fully alive in your amazing grace. Amen"

*This prayer was provided as part of the 2021-22 Social Justice Statement Cry of the Earth Cry of the Poor.*

**We warmly welcome Enid Knight** - as she receives the **Holy Sacrament of Reconciliation** after the Horsham Sunday 10.30am Mass this weekend.





**First Reading: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20**

The godless say to themselves, 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after - we have his word for it.'

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 53:3-6, 8**

R. The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth. R.

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. R.

But I have God for my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. R.

R. The Lord upholds my life.

**Second Reading: James 3:16 - 4:3**

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they

work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness. Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

**Gospel Acclamation: cf 2 Thessalonians 2:14**

Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

**Gospel: Mark 9:30-37**

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him. They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

**Gospel Reflection from Loyola Press: (SunBOrd25)**

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to prepare his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behavior. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging. Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument

they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all. Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone.

**Where Conflict Comes From—GPBS Weekly Parables**

You can almost overhear their conversation. Someone proposed that John was the greatest. After all, did he not recline on Jesus' bosom when they were at table? Someone else snorted: clearly the greatest was Judas, who held the moneybag and was obviously the most trusted. Someone argued for Peter, far and away the leader of the group. Another said it was Matthew, because he always took good notes at Jesus' best talks and would one day publish a fine book. What about James, someone else insisted. He is one of the three Jesus always takes aside with him when he prays. The discussion became heated, as more names were asserted, and by the time they got to Capernaum, they were scarcely speaking with one another. "What are you arguing about on the way?" Nobody answers. So, Jesus sets the record straight. The greatest will always be the one you least expect. The last will be first. The servant will be the leader. The one who receives a child, receives the Lord. We can bet that's one conversation they never dared to have again.

⇒ *How do you lead by your service?*

*Live well, live wisely, live humbly Jesus tells us. Our lives are always a more compelling witness than our words.*