

# St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee



HOPETOUN



WARRACKNABEAL  
PARISHES

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

## BULLETIN

2nd Sunday of Lent- Yr C - 13th March 2022

We welcome to the family of God in Baptism this Weekend (Horsham)  
Cadence Olivia Kundevska – Daughter of Mendo & Suzanne



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



### St Paul VI Parish Survey 2022

Our Parish Council want feedback on

**how you as a Parishioner feel we as a Parish are going at the moment.**

You can **complete and submit the survey online** by entering the following URL link  
into your web browser - <https://forms.gle/8BGh1ZL9SJWffNn46>

OR

**Hard-copies are available from your Church foyer today.**

- After completing the form, you may place it in a 'Parish Survey' Envelope and leave  
in a basket at your Church Foyer, or scan and email the document back to the Parish.

**All Parishioners will have until Sunday the 20th of March to provide feedback.**

- We look forward to hearing from you.

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### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

God, my creator, breathe on me, renew  
me, refresh me, extend my abilities,  
comfort me in adjusting to changes in  
health, mobility and activity. Body of  
Jesus Christ flow through every fibre of  
my being. Keep me well, and hope  
filled, always. Holy Spirit use me in my  
situation, for the good of others. Amen.

### 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 mo-  
ment receive you sacramentally,  
come at least  
spiritually into my heart. I em-  
brace 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*

### St. Paul VI Parish News:

~ We **welcome and thank Fr. Rupert Bowd** for Masses in Horsham  
and Dimboola this weekend.

~ After good medical intervention during the last week and next week, **Monsignor  
Glynn** hopes to be back in the Parish next weekend for  
the Horsham area Masses (3rd Sunday of Lent)

~ **Fr Jim** will be on leave for two weeks, from Monday 14th March - 25th March.



### Project Compassion 2022:

As a person with a disability living in remote India,  
**Biru, 30**, faced the prospect of a life of poverty and discrimination. With your  
support, he participated in entrepreneurship training and gained the skills to be-  
come financially independent. **Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and  
help people living with disabilities in India gain access to education and  
clean water, empowering them with skills to build a better future.**



### WEEKDAY MASSES:

	NO MASS	
Monday 14th March	NO MASS	Fr Jim on Leave- No Mass Warracknabeal
Tuesday 15th March	9.30am	Fr Jim on Leave- No Mass Warracknabeal Horsham- <i>Rosary (Volunteers)</i>
Wednesday 16th March	9.30am	Fr Jim on Leave- No Mass Warracknabeal Horsham- <i>Rosary (Volunteers)</i>
Thursday 17th March	9.30am	Fr Jim on Leave- No Mass Warracknabeal Horsham- <i>Rosary (Volunteers)</i>
Friday 18th March	9.30am	Fr Jim on Leave- No Mass Warracknabeal Horsham- <i>Rosary (Volunteers)</i>
Saturday 19th March	9.30am	Horsham- <i>Rosary (Volunteers)</i>

### COVID RESTRICTIONS:

**There is currently no requirement for face masks to be worn in Church,  
and there are no vaccination limits or sign-in requirements. Join in on  
our Masses online at any time by visiting our Eucharistic**

Facebook page : <https://bit.ly/3eYADvV>

**ROSTERS (Note: currently working on new design/layout)**

**ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Warracknabeal) —2022 LITURGY ROSTER**

Date & Time	Time	Readers	Prayers	Collectors	Special Ministers	Cleaning– Mar.
March 13th	8.30am	L Casey	L Casey	T Evans & L Casey	B Evans & L Muller	T McKenzie & K Moloney
March 19th Vigil <b>LLA</b>	6.30pm	M Walder	P Winsall	B Bentley & L Downes	J McFarlane & M Lardner	

**HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER**

12th & 13th March	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Geoff Simpson Lorraine Clancy Micky Robarts	Alison McKinnon Fay Willis Rosie Taylor
<b>Reader</b>	Garry Heinrich	Bob Pritchett
<b>Commentator</b>	Maree Plazzer	Andrea Cox
19th & 20th March	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
<b>Reader</b>	Sr Jacinta	Kingsley Dalglish
<b>Commentator</b>	Micky Robarts	Louise Kemp
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Cath Taylor Anthony Amor Pat Glaubitz	Mary Dalglish Anna Robertson Timothy Lannen
<b>Projector</b>	Anita Masiero	Robert Sartori
<b>Musicians</b>	Embedded	Combined Choir
<b>Welcomers</b>	Connie Besselaar Gavin Hynam	Nanette Freckleton Lyn Starr
<b>Prayers</b>	Alison McKinnon and Anna Robertson	
<b>Church Cleaning &amp; Flower Arranging</b>	<b>20th March</b> Lucille Pekin Pauline Breen Sue Chalkley Judie Delahunty	<b>27th March</b> Lynda Hutchinson Bernadette Delahunty Gwen Antonucci Carmel O'Connor

**HOPETOUN CHURCH ROSTER**

	<u>March 13</u> <u>LLA 9am</u>	<u>20th March</u> <u>LLA 9am</u>
<b>Readers</b>	Coral Cox	Marilyn Clancy
<b>Offertory/ Lay-led</b>	Joan Bellinger Cynthia Maiden	Claire White Neha Kavoor
<b>Ministers</b>	Marilyn Clancy	Joan Bellinger

**NHILL LITURGY ROSTER**

	<u>March 13th</u> <u>LLA at 10am</u>	<u>March 20th</u> <u>LLA at 11am</u>
<b>Reader &amp; Prayers</b>	C Kennedy	I Dart
<b>Lay Leaders</b>	D Munro	
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	A Munro	
<b>Offertory</b>		L Welsch
<b>Monthly Collector</b>	E Cameron	E Cameron
<b>Cleaning</b>	C Kennedy	C Kennedy

**Child Safety Standards:** (Ss Michael & John Horsham)  
**Bob Pritchett and Jill McGinnisken** 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.*

**MASS TIMES & REPORTS**

**MASS TIMES NEXT WEEKEND**

**3rd Weekend of the Month:**  
 Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am  
 Dimboola: Sunday LLA 9am  
 Beulah: Sunday LLA 8.30am  
 Warracknabeal: Saturday LLA 6.30pm  
 Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am  
 Murtoa: Sunday Mass 8.30am  
 Hopetoun: Sunday LLA 9am  
 Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am  
 Nhill: Sunday LLA 11am

*Any upcoming changes in Victorian COVID-19 restrictions will apply.*

**OTHER MASSES**

**Natimuk:** 6.30pm Tuesday 29th March 2022 at the home of Mark & Elaine Uebergang, 1 Mitchell St Natimuk.  
**Rupanyup:** Next date & location to be confirmed.

**Stations of the Cross**

For those wishing to participate in the Lenten Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent, all are more than welcome to gather in the Horsham Church at 4pm. Please organise yourselves due to Fr Jim away and Monsignor Glynn still recovering.

**Position Vacant – Administrative role**

*A part-time Administrative role is available in our Parish Office (based in Horsham).  
 Approx. 20-25 hrs over 3-4 days per week (days negotiable).*

**For further information please contact the Horsham office: Ph. (03) 5382 1155**

**Email: [wimmeramaltee@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:wimmeramaltee@ballarat.catholic.org.au) Address: 10 Roberts Avenue, Horsham, VIC. 3400**

**Parish Volunteer Opportunities:**

*New volunteers are always welcome in all of our Churches. If you are interested in helping in any particular area, please contact the Horsham office to discuss.*

- Parishioners of **St Mary's Church Warracknabeal** are invited to be readers and to offer prayers of the faithful on a roster. We are a small community and we need as many as possible to contribute so that we can each play an active role in our faith. ~If you can join the roster please register with Leo or David.~
- Ss Michael & John's Church Horsham** - Overhead Projector Operator/s Saturday 6.30pm or Sunday 10.30am Masses
  - Ss Michael & John's Church Horsham** - Mass Livestream Operator/s Sunday 10.30am Masses

*\*Note: For a volunteer position to be advertised in the bulletin, please contact the Horsham office.*

## SCHOOLS & PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

### Please Remember in Your Prayers

#### RECENT DEATHS:

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Chris Velthuis, Jim Hyland Patricia Hayes, Pam Hogan and Carmel Rodgers

**SICK:** Ken Dowsley, Des Gaynor, Heather McPhee, Shilpa Joe, Elsie Thomas, Marie Tobin, John Hickey, Mary Thompson, Patricia Simpson, Kobe Davidson, Brett Cox, Moira Kelly snr, Graham Klemm, Pat Hateley, Jill & Christie Higginbottom, Ted Haynes, Sam McCulloch, Laurie Grayling, Max Young, Joan McNamarra, Peter Sheridan

#### Anointing:

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

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#### Confessions:

After Saturday Morning Mass at Horsham Church, or on request to our Priests.

**Making Connections:** 'Listen to him.' What might Jesus be saying to you at this time? Use today's collect as your prayer this week: O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly with your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory. Moses and Elijah are two of the greatest heroes of Israel. They represent the law and the prophets - two of the most important sections of the Hebrew Bible. Like Jesus, both of them suffered rejection during their lives.

**Daily Prayer:** Countless as the stars, O God of Abraham, are the faithful whom you have led into the land of promise. Dazzling as the snow, O God of Moses and Elijah, is your glory shining on the face of Jesus, who forever prays on our behalf, the people for whom he accomplished the exodus of the resurrection. It is good for us to be here! Let us listen to your Son, your chosen One, so that we may have a share in Christ's transfigured glory.

**Marriage Tip:** Love is not proud. Be the first to extend the olive branch when disagreements arise.

**Vocational View:** After the transfiguration, Peter, John and James wanted to stay up the mountain. But Jesus said, "Move," with the knowledge that ships are safe in harbours, but not meant to stay in harbours.

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#### **The Darkness and the Light GPBS Parable**

Jesus and his three best friends climbed the mountain to pray, but Jesus did all the praying. The others napped, exhausted by the climb or bored by the task of praying. And because they slept, they very nearly missed the radiance of the Transfiguration. When they awoke, the glory still lingered around Jesus, not to mention his two unmistakable guests. But they hardly saw the radiance before being overshadowed by a cloud. Where would you expect God to be found: in the brilliance or the shadow? Actually, God is revealed in both. God's glory is seen in the light, but God's voice is heard in the darkness. How often has this been true in our experience as well? We celebrate God's nearness and blessing in the happy times, at the birth of a child or the marvel of a new snowball. But we can hear God's voice ring out on a bleak city backstreet, and in the season of illness. When we insist on seeing God only in the good times, we find ourselves apparently abandoned when we need God's comforting presence the most. God is with us, in the light and in the darkness.

**Where do you find it easy to experience God's presence in your world? How might God be present in the "absence," while you've been looking elsewhere?**

Seek God in the light: at sunrise and sunset, in candle's glow, in the radiance of the faces you love. Listen for God's word in darkness: in sickness and worry, when the path before you seems obscure or lonely.

#### **Study Tour of the Biblical Lands**

Olive Tree Travel have planned a study Tour of the Biblical Lands from December 3-14, 2022. This tour is focussed on the Gospel of Luke engaging the narrative in the contextual landscape. The tour will be escorted by Dr Rosemary Canavan of Catholic Theological College. More information available from <https://www.olivetreetravel.com.au/upcoming-tours/>

*Principal's and Catholic Education office staff are gathering in Horsham for professional development this coming week. Mass will be celebrated by VG (Fr Kevin Maloney) at SMJ church with participants on Thursday 17th March. We welcome those gathering and pray that their time together will be supportive and enjoyable as they share their experiences over these past difficult years in education.*



#### **A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:**

Aid to the Church in Need has launched a national emergency appeal for Ukraine. ACN is committed to strengthening and supporting the Catholic Church in Ukraine, as we have done for the past 70 years. The immediate emergency help will support the work of the Church in Ukraine by assisting priests, brothers, and religious sisters to continue their pastoral and outreach programs. We will continue to stand by our brothers and sisters in faith as they undergo trying times and seek to bring peace to a country that is surrounded by turmoil and unrest. Can you provide aid to the Catholic people in Ukraine? They need your help! Visit [www.aidtochurch.org/ukraine](http://www.aidtochurch.org/ukraine)

The **MINYIP** community will be celebrating **150 Years** this weekend, with plenty of activities scheduled in the town Fri 11th - Mon 14th March.

#### **St Mary's Ladies Club Warracknabeal**

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday 22nd March 2022 at 2.00pm, in the foyer of St Mary's Church. All Welcome.

Please submit notices for our weekly Bulletin to the Parish Office by **Thursday**. Thank you.

#### **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

##### **Saturday Morning Devotions:**

8.30am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Lay-led),

8.50am - Rosary and prayers of the Church,

9.30am Saturday Morning Mass

##### **Confessions after Mass.**

**Note:** COVID restrictions, Public Holidays, Seasons and times where the Priest/Organiser is away may cancel the event.

**First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18A**

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified. 'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms:

'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

**Responsorial Psalm**

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? R.

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek his face.' R. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face. Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. R.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! R.

**Second Reading: Philippians 3:17 - 4:1**

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I

repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe. So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

**Gospel Acclamation : Matthew 17:5**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**Gospel : Luke 9:28-36**

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' - He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him'. And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

**Gospel Reflection from Loyola Press: (SunCLent02)**

On the second Sunday of Lent, we move from Jesus' retreat to the desert and temptation by the devil to the glory shown in Jesus' Transfiguration. On the first Sunday of Lent, our Gospel always tells the story of Jesus' temptation in the desert. On the second Sunday, we always hear the story of Jesus' Transfiguration.

The report of Jesus' Transfiguration is found in each of the Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. The context for Luke's Transfiguration story is similar to that found in both Matthew and Mark. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his Passion. After the prediction there is a discussion of the cost of discipleship in each of these Gospels. The placement of the Transfiguration story close to Peter's confession and Jesus' prediction encourages us to examine the Transfiguration in the larger context of the Paschal Mystery. The Transfiguration occurs on a mountain in the presence of just three of Jesus' disciples—Peter, James and John. These are among the first disciples that Jesus called in Luke's Gospel. We recently heard this Gospel at Mass, on the fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Only Luke's Gospel, which often describes Jesus at prayer, indicates that Jesus is praying as his appearance changes to bright white. Luke indicates that the three disciples were sleeping while Jesus prayed. They will be sleeping again as Jesus prays in the Garden of Gethsemane before his Passion and death. As they awake, Peter and the disciples see Jesus Transfigured and Elijah and Moses present with Jesus.

Elijah and Moses, both significant figures in the history of Israel, represent Jesus' continuity with the Law and the Prophets. In Matthew's and Mark's Gospels, there is reference to conversation among Jesus, Elijah, and Moses, but only Luke's Gospel explains that this conversation is about Jesus' later accomplishments in Jerusalem. Luke describes this as his exodus, connecting Jesus' Passion, death, and Resurrection with the Israel's Exodus from Egypt. On witnessing Jesus' Transfiguration and seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses, Peter offers to construct three tents for them. Having just awoken, perhaps Peter's offer was made in confusion. We also notice that Peter reverted from his earlier confession that Jesus is the Messiah, calling Jesus "master" instead. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven speaks, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding that the disciples listen to him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism which, in Luke's Gospel, spoke directly to Jesus as God's Son.

In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, the disciples keep secret what they have seen. Not until they also witness his Passion and death will the disciples understand Jesus' Transfiguration. We hear this story of Jesus' Transfiguration early in Lent, but we have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we anticipate Jesus' Resurrection even as we prepare to remember Jesus' Passion and death.