



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

BULLETIN

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B - 24th October 2021



CURRENT COVID RESTRICTIONS

Religious Ceremonies are still only allowed to be held - for up to 20 attendees; excluding ministers required to conduct the service.

"...To keep the changes to a minimum, I suggest that we continue with the present limit of 20 people at Mass, with no question about vaccination, until November 5."
- excerpt from Bishop Paul Bird's letter to our Priests on October 15, 2021.

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

- Minyip: Saturday 6pm
- Dimboola: Sunday 8.30am
- Warracknabeal: Sunday 8.30am
- Hopetoun: Sunday 11am
- Horsham Livestreamed Mass Sunday 10.30am
 - + the first 20 bookings through the parish office to attend the Mass in-person*

*We advise that those who are able to watch the online Mass consider doing so - to allow those without technology or internet access a chance to attend.

The 10.30am Parish Mass this Sunday will be livestreamed on our Eucharistic Facebook group page which you can join at: https://bit.ly/3eYADvV



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

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New Edition of the Australian Catholics Magazine

- now available at our Churches & Parish Office.

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.

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

Setting up a Roster for Mass Livestream Operators:

Horsham Church is looking for people who are willing to offer their time at Sunday Morning Mass on a Roster system as a Mass Livestream Operator.

Our Mass livestreams help bring Spiritual Eucharist to individuals and families in our community who are unable to attend Mass due to COVID restrictions, ill health, etc.

If you are experienced with Facebook or know how to operate an IPad or mobile phone, please consider helping us with this ministry. Training will be provided and is very simple. - Please contact our Parish Office on 53821155 to express your interest.

This week:

Mons. Glynn will be attending an online retreat for Army Chaplaincy; starting from 10am on 25-29 October 2021...

Please note the earlier Weekday Mass times this week for Horsham Church.

WEEKDAY MASSES:		
Monday 25 October	9.00am	Warracknabeal
Tuesday 26 October	9.00am 9.00am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Wednesday 27 October	9.00am 9.00am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Thursday 28 October - Sts. Simon & Jude	9.00am 9.00am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Friday 29 October	9.00am 9.00am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Saturday 30 October	9.00am 9.00am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Please check Victorian Government directions for Church openings.		

ROSTERS

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH (Warracknabeal) —2021 LITURGY ROSTER						
Date & Time	Time	Readers	Prayers	Offertory	Collectors	Special Ministers
Oct. 24—Sun.	8.30am	P Winsall	J McFarlane	L & F Casey	D & K Baxter	K Downes & B Evans
Oct. 31 - LLA	9am	K Downes	D Baxter	Not Required	J & M Aitken	M Muller & J McFarlane

HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER			
24 October	10.30am Sunday only		
The Horsham Mass will be Livestreamed. In-person attendance is limited to 20 bookings.			
Reader	Bob Prictchett		
Commentator	Alison McKinnon		
30/31 October	Vigil <u>6.30pm</u> (If 50+ Allowed) Sunday <u>8.30ar</u>		
Reader	Sr Jacinta Rice	Kingsley Dalgleish	
Commentator	Anthony Amor	Michael Connellan	
Eucharistic Ministers (if 50+ allowed)	Pat Glaubitz Micky Robarts Lorraine Clancy	Lynda Hutchinson Bob Pritchett Zita Cannane	
Projector (if 50+ allowed)	Anita Masiero	Robert Sartori	
Musicians	Chris Robarts	(To be confirmed)	
Welcomers (if 50+ allowed)	Connie Besselaar Gavin Hynam	Nanette Freckleton Lyn Starr	
Prayers	John & Joan Parker		
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	31st October Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn Maureen McInerney	7th November Zita Cannane Lorraine Clancy Veronica Barker	

Warracknabeal Church Cleaning - October: M Walder, R Babetti M Farrall

NHILL LITURGY ROSTER			
	October 24: LLA 10am	October 31: Mass 11am	
Reader & Prayers	C Kennedy	M Millington	
Lay Leaders	A Munro	-	
Eucharistic Minister	L Grayling	-	
<u>Offertory</u>	-	Harris Family	
Monthly Collector	R Picone	R Picone	
Cleaning	A Munro	A Munro	

HOPETOUN CHURCH ROSTER			
	October 24: Mass 11am	<u>October 31:</u> Mass 9am	
Readers	Taela McLean	Neha Kovoor	
Offertory/ Lay-led	Joan Bellinger & Marilyn Clancy	Allen & Jan Fenech	
Ministers	-	-	
Church Cleaning	<u>November 5:</u> Nicole McLean	November 19: Jan Fenech	

MASS TIMES & REPORTS

MASS TIMES NEXT WEEK

5th Weekend of the Month:

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm (If 50+ allowed),

Sunday 8.30am

Nhill: Sunday 11am Murtoa: Saturday 6pm Hopetoun: Sunday 9am Rainbow: Sunday 11am Dimboola: Sunday LLA 9am Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am

Warracknabeal: Sunday LLA 9am Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am

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

OTHER MASSES:

Natimuk: Tuesday 26 October, 6.30pm at the home of Mark and Elaine Uebergang, 1 Mitchell Street Natimuk. Please contact Elaine on 0428 871 227.

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.

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

If you would like to keep up with our Weekly Bulletin **electronically**, *Please send your email address to*

wimmeramallee@ballarat.catholic.org.au

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.

Notice on Church Collections:

Church Collection reports on our Bulletin will now be done in accumulation at the end of each month, to accommodate for weeks where banking may be staggered or later for some Churches compared to others; with the aim to give our Parishioners a more accurate report.

*Reminder for our Church Representatives to please submit all banking sheets for the month by the last week of October for our

next report. Many thanks and God Bless.

SCHOOLS & PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: Fr Denis Dennehy (Ireland)

ANNIVERSARIES: Jean Ivess, Pat Irwin,

Eileen Arnott

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

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

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,

8.50am - Rosary and prayers of the Church,

9.30am Saturday Morning Mass

Confessions after Mass on request to the Priest.

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

Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission Forum: "Listening, learning...change."

Inspired by the latest Social Justice Statement, "Cry of the Earth Cry of the Poor", the Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission is hosting a forum on Saturday, November 6, 2021 from 10.00am – 3.00pm. Registration is free and opens on October 22.

Topics and Speakers include:

- Janet Morris: Acknowledgement of Country and Opening Prayer.
- Bishop Paul Bird: Introduce the Bishops Statement Cry of the Earth Cry of the Poor.
- Dr Mark Diesendorf: Listening to and learning from the world what the science is telling us.
- Dr Sandie Cornish: Listening and drawing wisdom from our own wells – responding to the Cry of the Earth Cry of the Poor.
- Vicki Clark: Listening to creation a call to care for Country.
- Jacqui Remond: Caring for creation watering the seeds of change.

The forum can be attended via Parish hubs (COVID restrictions depending) or independently via Zoom. If you are interested in attending via a Parish hub, please express your interest by contacting our Parish Office - Ph. 5382 1155.

Brochures are available at our Churches and online at: https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/welfare/social-justice/

Daily Prayer: O God, light to the blind and joy to the afflicted, in your only-begotten Son you have given us a high priest who is just and compassionate toward those who groan beneath the burden of oppression and sorrow. Listen, then, to the cry of our prayer: May we recognise you in Jesus and gladly follow Jesus on the way that leads to you.

Exploring the Word: Not only does the blind man recognise who Jesus is, but what he can do. He is the Messiah, therefore he can make the blind see.

Sharing the Tradition: All of us are in need of God's mercy and healing and the Church offers us this in the form of the Sacrament of Penance. Christians understand sin as a 'rupture of communion with God' which damages our communion with God. Bartimaeus has become a true disciple while those chosen to follow Jesus seem unable to understand what discipleship entails. The response of Bartimaeus is perfect. He follows Jesus on the road.

Vocational View: 'Master grant that I may see'. The values we were blind to in our youth, now become clear. As children of God, we are called to do and witness goodness.

"Beautiful is the moment in which we understand that we are no more than an instrument of God; we live only as long as God wants us to live; we can only do as much as God makes us able to do; we are only as intelligent as God would have us be." - Saint Oscar Romero of San Salvador

"See the Way" (GPBS Weekly Parables)

One day at work I got a call from my sister. She was dealing with a difficult situation at home, but she caught me at an awkward time when I was up to my ears in deadlines, and I was neither much help nor much support. We both ended the call feeling lost and hurt and confused. Rather than sit and stew I took a break and walked over to St Peter Julian's, a church in downtown Sydney that's open all day long. As I sat in one of the back rows off to the side, I saw dozens, if not hundreds of people come in, kneel, and say their prayers. A number of them looked like I felt - in need of some kind of help. I remembered the question Jesus put to Bartimaeus: "What do you want me to do for you?" Like Bartimaeus I prayed, "Master, I want to see". I wanted to see a different and better way of acting. I wanted to see what I had done wrong and a way to make it right. I wanted to see beyond my own hurt feelings to a place where my sister and I were back on the same page again rather than at odds. I think a lot of us in the church that day were offering the same prayer: "Master, I want to see". I'm sure that once I made my prayer and went back to work, God found little ways throughout the day to let me see the way. For me, it usually doesn't come as a flash of light, but the divine light shines, nonetheless. And the more I ask, the more I see.

The Commissioning

Open your eyes; rejoice in the glory of God's creation! Open your eyes; rejoice in the friendships you have made and can make! Open your eyes; rejoice in the community of faith who supports you and who is with you!

Open your eyes; rejoice in the challenges of the week that lies ahead of you! Open your heart; rejoice in the God who goes with you and who will sustain you! We are wide eyed, waiting in joy and in hope. Amen.

Catholic Mission Month: This year's appeal focuses on the work of the Good Shepherd Sisters in Thailand; they support children from vulnerable and disadvantaged backgrounds through the Kindergarten Centre. Donation envelopes are available at our Churches and office. For more info visit: https://www.catholicmission.org.au/catholic-mission-launches-world-mission-month-appeal

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout! 'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!' See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here. They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 125

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs. R.

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. R.

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land. Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. R.

They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing: they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves. R.

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

Gospel Acclamation: cf 2 Timothy 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

Gospel Reflection from Loyola Press: (SunBOrd30) Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel. In this Gospel, we find evidence of Jesus' fame in the sizable crowd that accompanies him as he journeys to Jerusalem. Jesus' reputation as a healer has preceded him. When the blind man, Bartimaeus, hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, he calls out to him, asking for his pity. When Bartimaeus calls out to Jesus, the crowd around him tries to silence him. Yet Bartimaeus persists, calling out more loudly and with greater urgency. He will not be silenced or deterred from getting Jesus' attention. We notice how quickly the crowd's reaction changes when Jesus calls for Bartimaeus. Those who sought to quiet him now encourage him. When Jesus restores Bartimaeus's sight, no elaborate action is required. (In other healing stories in Mark's Gospel, actions accompany Jesus' words). In this instance, Jesus simply says that Bartimaeus's faith has saved him. Throughout Mark's Gospel, the success of Jesus' healing power has often been correlated with the and death.

faith of the person requesting Jesus' help. For example, it is because of her faith that the woman with the hemorrhage is healed. When faith is absent, Jesus is unable to heal; we see this after his rejection in Nazareth. Once his sight has been restored, Bartimaeus follows Jesus on his way to Jerusalem. In Mark's Gospel, Bartimaeus is the last disciple called by Jesus before he enters Jerusalem. Bartimaeus hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, but he calls out to Jesus using words of faith—"Son of David." Many in Jesus' time believed that the anticipated Jewish Messiah would be a descendent of King David. Bartimaeus's words prepare us for the final episodes of Mark's Gospel, which begin with Jesus' preparation for the Passover and his triumphant entry into Jerusalem. As Mark has shown us in our readings over the past few Sundays, however, Jesus will be the Messiah in a way that will be difficult for many to accept. Jesus will show himself to be the Messiah through his suffering

Operation Christmas Child: October Shoebox Appeal

- Share a box full of 'goodies' with less fortunate children around the world. Information brochures and prayer cards are available from our Parish office as well as at our

Church foyers. The brochure includes a list of recommended items to pack, as well as what not to pack. Buy a pre-labelled shoebox at 50 cents each from the Parish office. Once packed, drop your boxes back in to the office before November 6, 2021— along with a letter & an essential

\$10 donation which helps with customs, shipping and handling costs. You can also 'Pack a shoebox' online and find other donation options via the Samaritan Purse website: https://occdonations.samaritanspurse.org.au/