



# St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

## BULLETIN

**THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**1st September 2024 - YEAR B**

### **BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND**

Collection for Retired Priests - **Sunday 1st September**

Creating a secure retirement future for the priests of the diocese is a duty and care in which we can all participate. Seventeen retired priests are currently supported by this Fund. Some live privately, some are retired in units in Ballarat or elsewhere, others live in supported accommodation.



This annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our retired priests. Please give as generously as you can, and help us continue '*caring for those who cared for us*'

**A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible** (please complete all details on the envelope available if paying by credit card or if a receipt is required.)

### **CONTACTS**

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#### **Parish Office**

**CLOSED MONDAYS**

Office Hours: **TUES - FRI**  
9am-12.30pm - 1.30pm-4.00pm  
Closed between 12.30pm -1.30pm

**Ph: (03) 5382 1155**

#### **Staff**

*Olivia & Josh*

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

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### **Mass Livestreaming**

Vigil Mass will be livestreamed from the Horsham Church at 6.30pm Saturday Night and will be available to watch 'live', or for replay viewing at a time convenient.

(Recordings are deleted weekly, and will be available until Friday each week)

#### **YouTube Channel Link:**

<https://www.youtube.com/@smjchurchhorsham/streams>

### **Celebrating Sr Jacinta**

**This Sunday the 1st of September** we will be hosting a special anniversary celebration for Sr Jacinta after the 10.30am Horsham Mass, in the Parish Hall.

This will commemorate Sr Jacinta's 70th year as a Brigidine Sister, as well as her 90th Birthday. **If you would like to contribute a plate of food to this celebration, please let the Parish office know.**

Monetary Donations as a gift of appreciation to Sr Jacinta can also be made at the Piety Store in Horsham after the 6.30pm Vigil and Sunday 10.30am Masses, including 1st Sept.

### **A Prayer for Father's Day**



Gracious God, bless fathers and all father figures with love and faithfulness that children flourish and grow in joy and uprightness. For those who work and struggle to provide for their family, give them strength. For those who mourn a child, hold them in your love. For those who play, laugh, sing and dance with their child, you share in their joy. Lord God, who is Father of all, walk with these fathers, in the light times and the dark. Bless them, and may they each be a living symbol of your fatherly love; a symbol to their children and all whom they encounter. Bless those for whom this day is difficult.

*Happy Father's Day to dads, grandads, special friends, spiritual fathers, and families, this Sunday 1st September.*

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday 3rd September	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	11am	Rainbow- Funeral Mass for Rosealea Perkins
	5.30pm	Horsham
Wednesday 4th September	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Thursday 5th September	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Friday 6th September	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Saturday 7th September	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham



### **Funeral Mass for Rosealea Perkins**

St Mary's Catholic Church, Rainbow

**Tuesday 3rd September 2024 at 11am**



**HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER**

<u>31st August &amp; 1st September</u>	<u>6.30pm Vigil</u>	<u>10.30am Sunday</u>
<b>Reader</b>	Betty Heinrich	Nerrida Holland
<b>Commentator</b>	Emelia Sudholz	Gerard Raven
<b>Eucharist Ministers</b>	Pat Glaubitz Lesley Price Anthony Amor	Lynda Hutchinson Bob Pritchett Zita Cannane
<u>7th &amp; 8th September</u>	<u>6.30pm Vigil</u>	<u>10.30am Sunday</u>
<b>Reader</b>	Maree Plazzer	Anna Robertson
<b>Commentator</b>	John Parker	Bob Pritchett
<b>Eucharist Ministers</b>	Geoff Simpson Micky Roberts Cath Taylor	Nerrida Holland Gerard Raven Alison McKinnon
<b>Projector</b>	Geoff Simpson	Gabby Mills
<b>Musicians</b>	Embedded	Choir
<b>Livestream</b>	Rob Sartori	N/A
<b>Welcomers</b>	Hugh & Judie Delahunty	Nanette Freckleton Lyn Starr
<b>Tea/Coffee After Mass</b>	N/A	Jisha Luke, Nimmy, Chrisna, Preeni
<b>Prayers</b>	Alison McKinnon & Anna Robertson	
<b>Church Cleaning &amp; Flower Arranging</b>	<u>8th September</u> Josie Phelan Pauline Irwin Joan Butler Margo Hogan	<u>15th September</u> Jenny Clarke Bernie Lakin Rhonda Tursi

**WARRACKNABEAL LITURGY ROSTER**

	<u>1st September Mass 8.30am</u>	<u>8th September Mass 8.30am</u>
<b>Reader</b>	M. Walder	M Farrall
<b>Prayers</b>	J. McFarlane	D Baxter
<b>Collectors</b>	B. Bentley & L. Downes	D & K Baxter
<b>Cleaning</b>	M Walder & R Barbettie	

**NHILL LITURGY ROSTER**

	<u>1st September Mass 11am</u>	<u>8th September Mass 11am</u>
<b>Sacristan</b>	M. Millington	A Munro
<b>Reader</b>	C. Kennedy	I Dart
<b>Collector</b>	J. Kennedy	J Kennedy
<b>Music</b>	Paul Ramas	Paul Ramas
<b>Cleaning</b>	A. Munro	A Munro

**HOPETOUN LITURGY ROSTER**

	<u>31st August Vigil 6.30pm</u>	<u>7th August Vigil 6.30pm</u>
<b>Reader</b>	Cynthia Maiden	Claire White
<b>Offertory</b>	Anju & Alex	Marilyn & Therese
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	N/A	N/A

**Natimuk Mass: TBA****Rupanyup Mass: TBA**

**Child Safety Standards:** St Paul VI Parish  
**Bob Pritchett** is our Safeguarding Officer, Horsham  
and **Cynthia Maiden**, Hopetoun.

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.*

**HOLY COMMUNION TO SICK, ELDERLY OR HOUSE BOUND**

Parishioners interested in receiving *preparation/ guidance to be able to bring Holy Communion from our churches to Parishioners* can notify Mons Glynn.

**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, and name)*

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.**

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES****THIS WEEKEND**

1st Sunday of the month: 1st September 2024

Horsham: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**

Murtoa: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**

Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**

Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**

Rainbow: **Sunday Mass 1pm**

Hopetoun: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm**

Dimboola: **NO LLA**

Minyip: **Sunday LLA 10am**

Beulah: **Sunday LLA 9.30am**

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

2nd Sunday of the month: 8th September 2024

Horsham: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**

Hopetoun: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm**

Dimboola: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**

Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**

Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**

Murtoa: **Sunday LLA 10.30am**

Minyip: **Sunday LLA 10am**

Rainbow: **LLA 10am**

Beulah: **Sunday LLA 9.30am**

## PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

### Please Remember in Your Prayers

**RECENT DEATHS:** Rosealea Perkins

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Sheila Simpson, Ivan Keenan, Jim White, Alan Tunks (Rainbow), Margaret Brasier, Monnie McPhee,

**SICK:** Pat Hateley, Ted Haynes, Alex Kavoor, Elliot Pumpa, Kevin Clancy, Jodie White, Bernie Ryan, Brendan McKinnon, Cynthia Maiden, Peter James, Noel Kearns, Patricia Simpson, Frank White, David Gillard, Jason O'Connell, Tim Clancy, Cassie Simpson, Jean Simpson, Joan Whiley, Adam Cooper

### 2024 Season of Creation Prayer

*Triune God, Creator of all, we praise you for your goodness, visible in all the diversity that you have created, making us a cosmic family living in a common home.*

*Through the Earth you created, we experience love and nourishment, home and protection.*

*May your Creator Spirit help us in our weakness, so that we may know the redeeming power of Christ and the hope found in him.*

*May the Spirit birth in us a willingness to serve you faithfully, so that we may hear and heal Creation, to hope and act together, so that hope may blossom.*

*Grant us a fresh vision of our relationship with Earth, and with one another, as people made in your image.*

*In the name of the one who came to proclaim the good news to all Creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

### St Vincent de Paul

A representative of St Vincent de Paul is available to assess and assist cases in **Horsham** on **Mon, Wed and Fri** mornings between 11am - 12noon  
**Appointments essential** - Phone **5381 2371** to book.

# You're invited!

## St Brigid's College 2024 Milestone Reunions

### SATURDAY 19 OCTOBER

50 Year - Class of 1974

20 Year - Class of 2004

40 Year - Class of 1984

10 Year - Class of 2014

30 Year - Class of 1994

We invite past students and staff to join us at St Brigid's College to celebrate your milestone!



SCAN TO RSVP

## 3:30pm

Afternoon Tea

Followed by School Tours

**Get in touch:**

(03) 5382 3545

[alumni@stbc.vic.edu.au](mailto:alumni@stbc.vic.edu.au)

Please **RSVP** to the St Brigid's College Milestone Reunions event by scanning the QR code above, or following this link: <https://forms.gle/dR3xivus6dbRGag59>

### Next Weekend's Readings:

#### 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

**1st Reading:** Isaiah 35: 4-7

**Responsorial Psalm:** 145:7-10

**2nd Reading:** Letter of St James 2:1-5

**Response:** Praise the Lord my soul

**Gospel:** Mark 7:31-37

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### ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM

#### Morning Craft Group

The Craft Group gather weekly in the Parish Office meeting room on Wednesdays, 9.30am -11.30am

#### Choir Practice

2nd Wednesday of the month, 4pm at the Church  
**Any newcomers always welcome**

#### Men's Fellowship

Breakfast - **3rd Thursdays** of the month  
7.30am - 8.30am at the Parish Hall. All men welcome.

#### Meditation Group

The Meditation Group meet weekly on Tuesdays, at 2.00pm in the Church meeting room.

#### Prayer Group

Will meet on the **1st and 3rd Wednesdays** of each month, at 1.30pm in the church meeting room.



# Sunday Mass

1 September 2024

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading

*A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8*

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God, that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 14:2-5

R. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?  
He who walks without fault;  
he who acts with justice  
and speaks the truth from his heart.

He who does no wrong to his brother,  
who casts no slur on his neighbour,  
who holds the godless in disdain,  
but honours those who fear the Lord.

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;  
who takes no interest on a loan  
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.  
Such a man will stand firm for ever.

R. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

### Second Reading

*A reading from the letter of St James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27*

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him

there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.

Pure, unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

### Gospel Acclamation James 1:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth,  
that we might be as the first fruit of his creation.

Alleluia!

### Gospel A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.'

He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

### GOSPEL REFLECTION

This Sunday, our lectionary returns to Mark's Gospel after a number of Sundays in which we heard the Bread of Life discourse from the Gospel of John. Recall that we focus on the Gospel of Mark in Lectionary Cycle B, but substitute John's report of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes for Mark's report of this event.

In today's Gospel, Mark provides a significant amount of information about the Jewish observance of ritual-purity laws. Most scholars believe that Mark includes this information because his audience includes Gentile Christians who have no knowledge or experience of these laws. We can infer, therefore, that many in Mark's community were not Jewish Christians.

In this Gospel, Mark addresses the question of which Jewish practices would also be observed in the newly emerging Christian community. This was a significant question for the early Christian Church, especially in communities that included both Jewish and Gentile converts to Christianity. We also hear this question addressed in the letters of Paul with regard to table fellowship. In Gospel passages such as the one today, we see the Gospel evangelists

finding justification for a Christian practice distinct from Judaism in the remembrances of Jesus' teaching and the practice of his first disciples.

Jesus first criticizes the Pharisees for putting human tradition above God's Law. Here, Jesus is referring to the tradition of the elders, the teachings of the Pharisees, which extended the ritual-purity laws of Temple worship to everyday Jewish life. Jesus criticizes the Pharisees for making this tradition equal to and as binding as the Law of Moses.

Next, Jesus comments on the meaning behind the Pharisees' language of holiness—clean and unclean. Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters his or her body, but rather by sin that emerges from his or her words and actions. In this teaching, Jesus unmasks a deeper question behind the one posed to him by the Pharisees. The real issue is holiness, which is not found in external acts alone. Holiness comes from within and is evidenced in the actions and attitudes that emerge from a person's life.

If we read today's Gospel carefully, we will see a pattern in Jesus' teaching method that will be repeated in the weeks ahead. Jesus' first teaching is directed to the Pharisees who questioned him. Jesus' words are then directed to the crowd, teach-

ing that a person is defiled by his or her words and actions, not by the food that he or she eats. In verses omitted in today's reading, we learn that Jesus returned home with his disciples, who in turn questioned him about what he had taught. The words we read at the conclusion of today's Gospel are addressed to Jesus' disciples. Mark's narrative shows several audiences for Jesus' teaching: his antagonists, the crowds, and Jesus' disciples. As we see in this reading, the words to the Pharisees are often words of challenge. The teaching to the crowds is often a general, sometimes cryptic, message. With the disciples, who often misunderstand Jesus' words, further explanation is offered about his message and its meaning.

Jesus' words challenge us as well. In our desire to show that we are holy, we might also give too much credence to externals, following rules without thinking about the intention behind them. Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways.