



St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

BULLETIN

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr. C - 23rd January 2022



COVID RESTRICTIONS:

Face masks need to be worn at all indoor venues.

There are no vaccination limits on participants, however **all must sign-in upon entry to any venue for contact tracing purposes.**
We also encourage all to practice distancing and safe hygiene (i.e. coughing or sneezing into the crook of your elbow or tissue, sanitising/washing hands, etc.)

Thank you.

Join in on our Masses online at any time by visiting our Eucharistic Facebook page : <https://bit.ly/3eYADvV>



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We welcome to the family of God in Baptism this Weekend
(Horsham)



Lewis Lindsay Allan

- son of Sarah & Michael



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

Caritas Appeal for Tonga

Tonga is coated in a thick blanket of ash after the eruption of undersea volcano Hunga-Tonga-Hunga-Ha'apai on January 15, which triggered tsunamis across the region, destroyed telecommunications and contaminated water supplies in the small Pacific Island nation. Coastal communities in Fiji, Samoa and Vanuatu have been impacted by tsunami waves, along with communities as far afield as Australia, Japan and the Americas. The Tongan government has said that "immediate assistance" is needed to deal with the fallout of the massive volcanic eruption. Visit <https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pacific/> or call 1800 024 413 toll free to provide much needed support by donating to our Pacific Emergency Appeal.

Results of Mons. Glynn's COVID test was negative.

However, he will remain on break for the rest of January, as per doctor's advice.

Masses in Horsham will be celebrated by Fr Jim at noon this coming week as seen in the Weekday Mass Schedule Below.

Please also note that the weekday Mass times may be subject to change due to Funerals or any other urgent unforeseen commitments.

It is by the path of love, which is charity, that God draws near to humanity, and humanity to God. But where charity is not found, God cannot dwell. If then, we possess charity, we possess God, for "God is charity" (1 John 4:8)
-St Albert the Great

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

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday 24th January	9.00am	Warracknabeal
Tuesday 25th January	9.00am 12noon	Warracknabeal Horsham
Wednesday 26th January - Australia Day	9.00am 12noon	Warracknabeal Horsham
Thursday 27th January	9.00am 12noon	Warracknabeal Horsham
Friday 28th January	9.00am 12noon	Warracknabeal Horsham
Saturday 29th January	9.00am	Warracknabeal

St Vinnies Piety Store (Horsham) - Columban Calendars still available \$8 ea.
'Daily Mass Books 2022' are now also available (limited) for \$30 ea.

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
January 23rd Sunday LLA	8.30am	P. Winsall	P Winsall	B Bentley & L Downes	M Muller & J McFarlane
January 30th Sunday LLA	9:00am	K Downes	M Walder	B Bentley & L Downes	M Lardner & K Downes

HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER

22/23 Jan.	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
Eucharistic Ministers	Bob Hayes John Parker Maree Plazzer	Anna Robertson Timothy Lannen Karen Hill
Reader	Kevin Dunn	Michael Connellan
Commentator	Micky Robarts	Dianne Noy
29/30 Jan.	Vigil 6.30pm	Sunday 10.30am
Reader	Betty Heinrich	Anna Robertson
Commentator	John Parker	Alison McKinnon
Eucharistic Ministers	Anne Newton Bernadette Trounce (please volunteer..)	Lynda Hutchinson Bob Pritchett Zita Cannane
Projector	Geoff Simpson	Gabby Mills
Musicians	Chris Robarts	Combined Choir
Welcomers	Bill & Josie Phelan	Mary Dalgleish Alistair Castle
Prayers	Mary Dalgleish & Anita Masiero	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	30th January Zita Cannane Lorraine Clancy Veronica Barker	6th February Lucille Pekin Pauline Breen Sue Chalkley Judie Delahunty

HOPETOUN CHURCH ROSTER

	January 23: LLA 11am	January 30: Mass 9am
Readers	Claire White	Neha Kovoor
Offertory/Lay-led	Jan & Allen Fenech	Kevin & Maureen Clancy
Ministers		

NHILL LITURGY ROSTER

	January 23: LLA 10am	January 30: Mass 10am
Reader & Prayers	I Dart	D Munro
Lay Leaders	(please volunteer)	-
Eucharistic Minister	N Grayling	-
Offertory		Paul & Leah
Monthly Collector	J Millington	J Millington
Cleaning	A Munro	A Munro

Child Safety Standards: (Ss Michael & John Horsham)
Bob Pritchett and Jill McGinniken 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

5th Weekend of the Month:
Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, 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

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

OTHER MASSES:

Natimuk: Tuesday 22 February - 6.30pm, Location TBA.
Rupanyup: next date, time and location to be confirmed.

Pope's intention for January:

"We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognised, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family."

An Early Morning Prayer

I come before you, O Lord. As the sun rises may your hope rise up in me. As the birds sing may your love flow out of me. As the light floods into this new day, may your joy shine through me. I come before you, O Lord and drink in this moment of peace, that I may carry something of your hope, love and joy today in my heart. Amen.

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.



December 2021 Collections:

1st Collection (Presbytery) - Cash:
 Beulah: \$295.00 Dimboola: \$165.00 Horsham: \$3992.00
 Hopetoun: \$316.00 Murtoa: \$403.00 Minyip: \$50.00
 Nhill: \$172.00 Rainbow: \$413.00 Rupanyup: \$100.00
 Warracknabeal: \$669.15

Electronic Transfer - Presbytery:
 Warracknabeal: \$10.00

2nd Collection (Parish/Envelopes):
 Beulah: \$20.00 Dimboola: \$125.00 Horsham: \$6014.20
 Hopetoun: \$1725.00 Murtoa: \$185.00 Minyip: \$60.00
 Nhill: \$740.00 Rainbow: \$10.00 Rupanyup: \$100.00
 Warracknabeal: \$1183.00

Electronic Planned Giving - Parish:
 Horsham: \$3489.17 Warracknabeal: \$10.00

Bishop's Christmas Appeal Collections 2021:
 Horsham: \$1749.75 Beulah: \$217.45
Christmas Dues (Presbytery) - received in December '21:
 Horsham: \$970.00 Murtoa: \$205.00
 Warracknabeal: \$650.00

SCHOOLS & PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES: Marjorie McLennan, Gwen Coyne, Cheryl Ann Keenan, Rene Reinhardt, Primo Da Ros, Marina Neri, Silvino Sartori, Simon Butler, Silvio & Regina D'Agostin

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, Jill & Christie Higginbottom, Pat Hateley, Ted Haynes, Sam McCulloch, Leo Bourke, Peter Rowe, Laurie Grayling, Bernard Connellan, Max Young, Joan McNamarra

Anointing:

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

Developing a new Prayer for Communion outside of Mass and for the Special Ministers in our Parish:

Our Parish, St Paul VI Wimmera Mallee - is currently developing suggestions/submissions for a prayer for Communion outside of Mass which prays for and comforts those who are unable to be with us, whilst expressing appreciation to the friends, family members and Eucharistic ministers who visit and care for them.

All are welcome to give input/suggestions - Please submit your input through the Parish office before 1st February 2022, this can be in written form or via email (wimmeramallee@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

Each suggestion shall be considered by our Parish Priest and Pastoral Council. The completed prayer will be used in all our Mass centres on Sundays. It will also be shared on our Bulletin as a sign of community and solidarity within our large Parish, and as remembrance for the many different lives it encompasses with Holy Communion.

Pathways Response Victoria

The Victorian Catholic Bishops launched Pathways Response Victoria in December 2021, which will provide a further way of responding to those who have suffered abuse in the Catholic community. Pathways Response Victoria will be the successor to 'Towards Healing' and 'The Melbourne Response' from the start of 2022. More information is available from our diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/pathways-response-victoria/>

AUSTRALIA DAY PRAYER

"O God, powerful and gentle, you love this southern land and all its peoples, old and new. As the Cross shines in our heavens so may Christ bring light to our nation. As the waves encircle our shores so may your mercy enfold us all. O God, the wonders of our vast and rugged land reflect your beauty, ever ancient, ever new. May your blessings flow upon us as a stream in the desert, and may your spirit prompt us to use your gifts for the good of all. May God who formed our southern land be for us a rock of strength. May God who rules our southern seas keep us safe in every storm. May God who made our southern skies turn our darkness into light."



Making Connections: Offer the gift of yourself to someone who is downtrodden or be good news to someone who is in need.

Daily Prayer: "O God, you have sent Jesus among us as prophet of your covenant and king of your anointing, the Messiah who proclaims to the poor the good news of your kingdom. Build us into one body, make us instruments of freedom and salvation for all."

A Vocation View: The word of God becomes the flesh of God when YOU live it in your life. Believe what you read; live what you believe. Be another Christ.

World Interfaith Harmony Week Flag Raising Event

All are invited to the Ballarat Interfaith Network's celebration of World Interfaith Harmony Week on Tuesday, February 1, 2022 at St Peter's Anglican Church, Sturt Street, Ballarat from 11.00am - 12.30pm.

The program includes: Acknowledgement of Country; welcome on behalf of Ballarat Interfaith Network; welcome on behalf of City of Ballarat; raising of the Interfaith Flag; address by Sikh Keynote Speaker (Rajinder Singh Gill); prayers from various faith representatives; virtual choir presentations; and refreshments.

Synod of Bishops

Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, which has the theme, "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The People of God are invited to use a guided, prayerful reflection method to consider a series of questions and make submissions via an online portal. Those submissions will help the Bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. Find out more at <http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

Expressions of Interest – Administrative role

Expressions of Interest are currently being sought for a part-time Administrative role in our Parish Office (based in Horsham)

For further information please contact:

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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

~ 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.

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Our Parish also has a National Grower Register Account - for farmers in our community who would like to arrange **planned giving via a small share of grain sales** through the NGR.

Our Parish NGR Card number is 1402 0336.

Please feel free to call our Parish Office for more info.

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people - since he stood higher than all the people - Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered, 'Amen! Amen!'; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read. Then Nehemiah - His Excellency - and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, 'This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep.' For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law. He then said, 'Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.'

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 18:8-10, 15

R. Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul. The rule of the Lord is to be trusted, it gives wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the Lord are right, they gladden the heart. The command of the Lord is clear, it gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever. The decrees of the Lord are truth and all of them just.

May the spoken words of my mouth, the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight, O Lord, my rescuer, my rock!

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Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink. Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. Now you together are Christ's body; but each of you is a different part of it.

Gospel Acclamation: cf Luke 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received. Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written: The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me. he has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the down trodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour. He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

Gospel Reflection from Loyola Press: (SunCOrd03)

Today's Gospel reading combines two separate passages taken from the Gospel of Luke. First we hear the opening verses where Luke establishes the purpose of his Gospel. His style is typical of polished Greek and Roman literature. In this passage, we learn that Luke may have written to a specific person, Theophilus; but the word Theophilus may also be a general reference, functioning as the phrase "Dear Reader" might in contemporary writing. In Greek, the word Theophilus translates as "lover of God." Today's Gospel reading then skips several chapters in which one would find the Infancy Narratives, Jesus' baptism by John, the temptations Jesus faced in the desert, and the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. In chapter four of Luke's Gospel, we hear that Jesus is in his hometown of Nazareth, attending the synagogue on the Sabbath, which is said to be his custom. In this account, we find another important clue that Jesus lived as a faithful, observant Jew. We will continue to read from Luke's Gospel in sequence for the next two Sundays. As Jesus stands in the synagogue, he reads from the scroll handed to him; it contains the words of the prophet Isaiah. At this early moment in his ministry, Jesus announces his mission in continuity with Israel's prophetic tradition. This reading from Isaiah defines Jesus' ministry. We will find more evidence of this as we continue to read from Luke's

Gospel throughout the year. Jesus' ministry will include bringing glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, freedom to the oppressed, and proclaiming a year acceptable to the Lord. Through this text from Isaiah, Jesus announces God's salvation. The "year acceptable to the Lord" is a reference to the Jewish tradition of Sabbath years and jubilee. The Sabbath year was observed every seventh year. It was a year of rest when land was left fallow and food stores were to be shared equally with all. A year of Jubilee was celebrated every fiftieth year, the conclusion of seven cycles of Sabbath years. It was a year of renewal in which debts were forgiven and slaves were freed. This tradition of Jubilee is the framework for God's promise of salvation. And yet in Jesus, something new begins. Jesus not only announces God's salvation, he brings this salvation about in his person. Jesus is Yahweh's Anointed One, filled with the Spirit of God. The Kingdom of God is now at hand. It is made present in Jesus, in his life, death, and Resurrection. Jesus will send the Holy Spirit so that the Kingdom of God can be fulfilled. The Holy Spirit is Jesus' gift to the Church. The Holy Spirit enables the Church to continue the mission of Jesus. When we do what Jesus did—bring glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, healing to the sick, and freedom to the oppressed—we serve the Kingdom of God.