



Ss Michael & John's Parish

Horsham-Dimboola-Murtoa-Natimuk- Rupanyup- Nhill

BULLETIN

Corpus Cristi Sunday - 14th June 2020



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Pope Francis Prayer for Spiritual Communion:

"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love You above all things, I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never let me be separated from You."

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting this Thursday June 18th at 5.30pm.

To discuss virus isolation, plan for DOBCEL Meeting, renewal of our Planned Giving Program, and other issues. If there are reports from members, please have them to Camille by June 16.

Finance Meeting at 11am THURSDAY June 18th

20 people can attend any Mass.

For Saturday 6.30pm Mass and Sunday 9am and 10.30am Mass, you must still let us know you are coming. Please phone or leave a message at the Office 53821155, or on my mobile 0419323397.

We are still dispensed from our Sunday Mass Obligation (canon law 1248) if we can't make the 20 who can attend any Sunday Mass.

20 people can attend each of SMJ Parish Masses

Saturday 6.30 Mass.
Sunday 7th Mass at 9am and 10.30am. *This will allow 60 people to attend SMJ.*

Mass Dimboola Sunday 8.30
Mass Murtoa Sunday 10.30.

SMJ Church will be opened each day from 9am - 5pm for private prayer. Please enter and leave the Church, by the door near the Presbytery.

* You must sign in as you enter the Church your name, address, phone number.

* use hand sanitizer at the door as you enter and use again as you leave the Church.

The "4-square-metre rule" of physical distancing applies - you must remain at least 1.5m from all directions of anyone not from your house.

When you visit the Church for any reason, please use the SPRAY bottle, supplied at the door, to spray the areas you sat in or touched. You need only spray. Please return to doorway

Our Parish Bulletin is online

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au select Horsham Parish, click on the yellow magnifying glass symbol, open Horsham below.

Anointing of the Sick and Individual Confession, on request to Fr Peter.

Funerals, 50 people can attend, we work with the Funeral homes

Saturday Morning Devotions each Saturday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 9am.

Rosary 9.20.

Morning Prayer of the Church Mass 10am.

Confessions 10.25

Isolation required, 20 to attend

DOBCEL MEETING

The Chairperson, Tracey O'Neil and Ann Pekin will come to

Horsham on Thursday July 2nd at 7pm

in the Parish Centre

to meet with our PPC, Finance, representatives from our Schools' SAC's. This will inform us of what DOBCEL means and also we will know what buildings and land they require and what we as Parish keep. I will send a video etc to all Schools.

ONLINE MASSES: (Eucharistic Group Facebook page)
Saturday Vigil Mass 6.30pm. Sunday Mass 9am, 10.30am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament FRIDAY 10-11

Tuesday 16th	5.30pm	Carmela Baviello anniv.
Wednesday 17	9.30am	Julie Buwalda anniv
Thursday 18th	9.30am	Brent Williams, Brendan Keilar anns.
Friday 19th	9.30am	Feast of the Sacred Heart Maureen Delahunty, Marj Martin, Dominik Wajazel
Saturday 20th	10am	Immaculate Heart of Mary



Please Remember in Your Prayers

Recent Deaths: Fran Templeton (*Dunkeld, Alan's mother*)
Fr Noel Connolly Columban.

Anniversaries: Marj Martin, Dominik Wajszel, Maureen Delahunty, Brent Williams, Brendan Keilar, Sr Marcia Finnigan, Carmela Baviello, Julie Buwalda, Elisabetta Colosimo, Lucy O'Neill, Jack O'Neill, Dianne Creasey,

Sick: Debbie Nolen, Fleur Armstrong, Ken Dowsley, Jill & Christie Higginbottom, Heather McPhee, Shilpa Joe, Joan Glen, Pat Craig, John McNamara, Elsie Thomas, Sr Tirsia Bale, Laurie Manserra, Doris McDonald, Angela Walsh

Emergency Care: Contact Parish Office 53821155

Livestreaming of Mass at SMJ

Church: For those on Facebook, who would like to watch Mass at SMJ Church online: A group page, set up by Sr Manuela, titled "**Eucharistic Group**", which Parishioners are free to join. Click on the magnifying glass symbol at the top of your Facebook home page, type in "Eucharistic Group" into the search bar, tap the magnifying glass symbol again to search, and in the results you shall find one with the image above, tap into it and once loaded click 'Join' to receive updates.



Finances: Thank you for those who have dropped in envelopes or who have gone online to our BSB or CDF Accounts for Planned Giving Program, Presbytery, Project Compassion, and Easter Dues. In these difficult times, with so many not having an income, anything you can give to any of these Collections, is gratefully received. **You can drop Envelopes or money into the Parish Office anytime: open Monday to Friday 8.30am to 12.30pm**
Collections

Presbytery - Plate: \$740.00

PG - Envelopes: \$1620.00

Loose: \$20.00

If you wish to give via our Parish

BSB Account :

BSB: 083 680 Account: 515830337

REF: Your Envelope number/surname or put "Presbytery" for the plate collection.

**THANK
YOU**

Making Connections: Each time you gather for a meal this week with family or friends, make a special blessing of the food which you will share. Sustain and nourish others this week.

Did you Know?: In John's Gospel, the Eucharist is instituted by Christ in the sharing of the loaves and fishes, not at the Last Supper which he had with his friends on the night before he died. For John, the central act of that Last Supper was the washing of the feet of the disciples - an act of service to others.

Marriage Tip: Do you tend to talk more than listen? Make the effort to listen to your spouse as well as talk to them.

Daily Prayer: The bread we break is our sharing in the body of Christ, and the cup of blessing is our sharing in the blood of Christ. At this table nourish us, sustain us, form us as your people. Thus may many become one, and all who hunger and thirst be fed at our table.

A Vocation View: That we can collaborate with God is a humbling truth. That God lives among us is startling. That we are the Body of Christ is our vocation.

"Amid the dramatic events of our time, shine like beacons in the darkness of this world, shedding light along the way and opening ever new paths of confidence and hope."

To help us pray Mass for Corpus Christi Sunday:

Entrance Antiphon He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

Collect Let us pray. O God, in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father

Prayer over the Offerings Grant your Church, O Lord, the gifts of unity and peace, whose signs are to be seen in mystery in the offerings we present.

Preface (Most Holy Eucharist I)

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For he is the true and eternal Priest, who instituted the pattern of an everlasting sacrifice and was the first to offer himself as the saving Victim, commanding us to make this offering as his memorial. As we eat his flesh that was sacrificed for us, we are made strong, and, as we drink his Blood that was poured out for us, we are washed clean. And so, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we proclaim your glory,

Communion Antiphon

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion Let us pray. Grant, O Lord, that we may delight for all eternity in that share in your divine life, which is foreshadowed in the present age by our reception of your precious Body and Blood.

Prayers of Intercession

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers, in strange times for the Church and the world, when the vast majority are unable to physically share the Eucharist, we none the less are filled with faith and with an intense desire to receive Jesus, the Bread of Life.

We pray with Francis our Pope and the Universal Church, that with hearts centred on the Eucharist, we all will be filled with pastoral love and care.

We pray for vocations to the priesthood religious orders who minister in our midst, that the Church will be served by priests and religious in the future.

We pray for those who have not been able to physically share in the Eucharist for many months and for adults whose initiation into the Church has been delayed, that their Christian hope may be firm.

We pray for those in Australia and around the world, who during this Covid 19 pandemic are experiencing a new level of poverty and who hunger for their daily food and for shelter, that governments and the community will not neglect them.

We pray for Christians who endure persecution, denial of religious freedom, who are in prison or in refugee camps, that on this day we will hold them up in prayer.

We pray on this World Blood Donor Day for all who in a spirit of service to the sick, donate blood, that others will be inspired by their generosity.

We pray for those, who having shared the Bread of Life, have died, Fran Templeton, and for those whose anniversaries occur about now, Marj Martin, Dominik Wajszel, Maureen Delahunty, Brent Williams, Brendan Keilar, Sr Marcia Finnigan, Carmela Baviello, Julie Buwalda, Elisabetta Colosimo, Lucy O'Neill, Jack O'Neill, Dianne Creasey, that they be at home with Jesus.

Celebrant: Eternal and almighty God, receive our praise, establish your peace throughout the world, that all may be fed from your saving hand. Through Christ our Lord.

COUNTRY MASS TIMES

June 21st: Dimboola 8.30. Murtoa 10.30. Nhill 5pm.
June 28: Dimboola 8.30. Murtoa 8.30. Nhill 11. Kaniva



St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

Vinnies like everyone, has been impacted by Covid-19. We have had to adapt our traditional ways of providing help to those who seek our assistance to meet both the government and SVdP directives. It is

a testament to the commitment and flexibility of our members that we have been able to continue to provide support to those in need.

As a result of the coronavirus many people have found themselves in the position of having a job one day, and being unemployed the next.

This leads to an increasing number of people reaching out to Vinnies for help for the first time.

This year's appeal will focus on the needs of Victorians who have been impacted by Covid-19.

The funds raised during this appeal are critical in ensuring that Vinnies can continue to be there for people when they need us most. You can donate to our appeal:

1. Envelopes that are available at the Piety Stall.
2. Please write your name and address on the envelope for receipts to be issued. Online:vinnies.org.au

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible



Congratulations and prayerful best wishes to Marina and Laurie Manserra on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

Parishioners are invited to tour the new SBC STEAM Building TODAY Sunday June 14th from 10am to 2pm

St Brigid's College
We warmly invite all members of the community to come and view our **NEW STEAM CENTRE**
Open 14 & 21 June • 10.00am - 2.00pm

97 Robinson Street Horsham VIC
Phone 03 5382 3545 www.stbc.vic.edu.au Small School, Big Opportunities.

Enrolments for 2021 are now open for SMJ, OLHC, SBC, St Patrick's Nhill. Information Packs are available from each of the Schools or online. Each School also has their own Facebook Page.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Our Parish rejoices as we prepare for Reception into the Fullness of the Church our RCIA Candidates:

Robert Fry, Maryann & Julia Kardogeros,
Maricel Mahmood, Vince, Lance & Lander Rosello.

Please pray for our candidates.



Refugee Week

June 17th to June 23rd 2020

The Refugee Council of Australia 2020 theme is their first ever "Virtual

Refugee Week". World Refugee Day is 20th June.

This year's theme "Celebrating the Year of Welcome"

Refugee Week raises issues affecting refugees and promotes harmony and togetherness. A refugee is someone who is forced to flee from their country and cannot return unless the situation that forced them to leave improves. Some are forced to flee without any warning. The motivating factor for refugees is safety and protection from persecution, human rights abuse. A person seeking asylum is a person who is seeking protection as a refugee and is still waiting to have his/her claim assessed. Every refugee seek asylum. Refugees have a lawful right to enter a country for the purposes of seeking asylum, regardless of how they arrive or whether they hold valid travel or identity documents. **A Prayer for Refugees:**

God of safety, we remember that Mary and Joseph escaped to safety in Egypt when Herod tried to kill baby Jesus and we remember how Mary MacKillop found safe places for homeless mothers and children. Let our country find room for the refugees who come seeking safety. Let our hearts welcome them so that they can forget their terror and sadness and find peace here. Let us give them a home and a good future in our country. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who knew what it was like to be a refugee.



World Blood Donor Day: June 14th to celebrate and thank those who donate safe blood regularly. We are encouraged to donate safe blood to ensure that individuals and communities have access to safe blood in normal and emergencies

Confirmation: Children of our Parish begin this week preparation for the celebration of the sacrament. Please keep the families in your prayers as they 'at home' and school.

Plenary Council Discernment Papers released

Six Discernment and Writing Groups, one each for the six national themes for discernment emerging from the Council's Listening and Dialogue phase. **Parishioners on line, had them sent last weekend, paper copies in Churches.**

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

Chris Roberts (Chair), Peter Gutteridge, Andrea Cox, Fr Peter, Lesley Price, Alison McKinnon, Daryl Wren, Bob Pritchett, Garry Heinrich, Cathy Grace, Margaret Lingham, Joan Lane-Storey, Srs Manuela & Tirsia.

Child Safety Standards. Ss Michael & John Parish has **Bob Pritchett and Jill McGennisken** are our Safeguarding Officers. We have a **Child Safety Policy** to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children in our care. A **Child Safety Code of Conduct** has been adopted for all who work with children and vulnerable adults in the Parish.

Our Parish seeks to always be a child safe Parish.

First Reading: Book of Deuteronomy 8,2-3,14-16

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart - whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord. 'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 147:12-15, 19-20

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem. Alleluia.

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem! Zion, praise your God! He has strengthened the bars of your gates, he has blessed the children within you.

He established peace on your borders, he feeds you with finest wheat. He sends out his word to the earth and swiftly runs his command.

He makes his word known to Jacob, to Israel his laws and decrees. He has not dealt thus with other nations; he has not taught them his decrees.

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem. Alleluia

Second Reading: St Paul to the Corinthians 10,16-17

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.' Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Gospel Reflection: Corpus Christi Veronica Lawson rsm:

Bread is staple food for much of the world's population. It is also a metaphor for the food that sustains the life of the human community. Being able to "put bread on the table" is the most basic of desires. Witness the haunting images of starving "migrant workers" walking away from cities locked down for fear of pandemic, walking to their homes in rural India where they may find life-restoring "roti"! Bread means life. Jesus' claim to be "the living bread" is a unique expression paralleled by his earlier claim to be "living water". It teases the reader with the possibility of multiple meanings. It refers, at one level, to bread sustains "ordinary" life. At another level, it is the gift of God's life (zoē), the life that never ends. As we reflect on the symbolism of bread, we attend also to the plight of those without bread. While there is sufficient "bread" to satisfy the hunger of everyone on the planet, over two billion people are desperately hungry, including the desperate "migrant workers" of India. Today's gospel passage belongs within a section of John's gospel generally called the Bread of Life Discourse. Some scholars suggest that the discourse as a whole is cast in the form of a synagogue homily. In this view, it is a rabbinic type exposition of Exodus 16:4 and Psalm 78:4-5 on the manna/bread that God rains from heaven. In John 6:51-58, there are allusions to Eucharist as both meal and sacrifice. Jesus is the manna

or bread from heaven. Life comes from eating his flesh/body. It also comes from drinking his blood. For the ancient Israelites, the life was in the blood. Blood poured out is life poured out. To drink the wine/blood is to participate in the life of Christ poured out. A simple analogy from my own context might help us to grasp something of the mystery that we call Eucharist. My home town, Ballarat, is the site of the Eureka rebellion. The Eureka flag is housed in a place of honour in the Museum of Australian Democracy at Eureka. At one level, this flag is fabric and thread. At another, it far transcends the materials from which it is crafted. These materials were transformed, possibly by women from my own parish, into a symbol of freedom for the Eureka rebels. In the process, they changed their purpose and meaning; so too with the bread and wine of our Eucharistic celebrations. They have become, in a very real though mysterious sense, the body and blood of Christ. This Sunday, very few of us can actually participate in a Eucharistic celebration. We can take time to pray, to reflect on the Word and on the meaning of Eucharist. While we reflect on this mystery, we ground our faith in action designed to address the issue of global hunger and the circumstances that inhibit access to "bread" for all. The feast of the Body and Blood of Christ invites us to careful consumption of the world's resources so that all God's people and all God's creatures may have life.

Next Week's Gospel 12th Sunday: Matthew 10,26-33

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops. 'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

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Taking Place This Week: Refugee Week

Monday: World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

Wednesday: World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought. Feast of St Teresa of Portugal

Friday: Feast of the Sacred Heart. UN Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict

Saturday: Immaculate Heart of Mary. **World Refugee Day**

"Let Us Give Thanks To The Lord. It is Right to give God Thanks and Praise" "When I started counting my blessings blessings, my whole life turned around".