



St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

BULLETIN

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD YEAR A
8TH JANUARY 2023



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Extracts from Spiritual Testament of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, written 29th Aug 2006

When, at this late hour of my life, I look back on the decades I have wandered through, I see first of all how much reason I have to give thanks. Above all, I thank God Himself, the giver of all good gifts, who has given me life and guided me through all kinds of confusion.

~ In retrospect, I see and understand that even the dark and arduous stretches of this path were for my salvation and that He guided me well in those very stretches.

~ I thank my parents, who gave me life in difficult times and prepared a wonderful home for me with their love, which shines through all my days as a bright light until today.

~ I thank God from the bottom of my heart for the many friends, men and women, whom He has always placed at my side; for the co-workers at all stages of my path.

~ I thank God for all the beauty I was able to experience during the various stages of my journey.

~ Finally, I humbly ask: pray for me, so that the Lord may admit me to the eternal dwellings, despite all my sins and shortcomings. For all those entrusted to me, my heartfelt prayer goes out day after day.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Born into life 16.04.1927
Entered into eternal life
31.12.2022

"Well done good and faithful servant"



*We welcome to the family of God in Baptism
this weekend (Horsham) Sunday*

~ Lou Maisie Pritchett ~

Daughter of Braden & Angelika Pritchett

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

Readers, Commentators & Eucharistic Ministers Roster

Horsham

This Week: 7th Jan Vigil 6.30pm

- (R) Micky Robarts, (C) Sr Jacinta
- (E) Cath Taylor

8th Jan 10.30am

- (R) Bob Pritchett, (C) May Rosello
- (E) Bob Pritchett, Anna Robertson, Timothy Lannen

Next Week: 14th Jan Vigil 6.30pm

- (R) Garry Heinrich, (C) Micky Robarts
- (E) Simon Lynch, Bob Hayes, John Parker

15th Jan 10.30am

- (R) Andrea Cox, (C) Bob Pritchett
- (E) Karen Hill, Lynda Hutchinson, Bob Pritchett

Mass Livestreaming

Mass will be livestreamed from the Horsham Church at
6.30pm each Saturday evening, and will be available to
watch 'live', or for replay viewing at a time convenient.
(Recordings will be deleted weekly, at the end of every Friday.)

YouTube Channel Link:

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

Anointing:

On request to Mons. Glynn Murphy or
Fr Matt Restall, or please call the Parish
Office.

Confessions:

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

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: Hughie McDonald,
Dorothy Collins

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary McBain,
Carmel Cannard, Alex Pekin

SICK: Ken Dowsley, Des Gaynor,
Heather McPhee, Shilpa Joe, Elsie
Thomas, Marie Tobin, John Hickey,
Mary Thompson, Patricia Simpson,
Kobe Davidson, Moira Kelly snr, Pat
Hateley, Jill & Christie Higginbottom,
Ted Haynes, Sam McCulloch, Laurie
Grayling, Max Young, Joan McNamara,
Pat Brennan (Ballarat), Alex Kavoor,
Elliot Pumpa, Hughie McDonald, Bill
Deleeuw, Kevin Clancy, Jodie White

MASS TIMES THIS WEEKEND

2nd Weekend of the Month: 7th & 8th Jan

Horsham: Sat 6.30pm, Sun 10.30am
Dimboola: Sunday 8.30am
Beulah: Saturday 7pm
W'beal: Sunday 8.30am
Minyip: Sunday 10am
Murtoa: Sunday LLA 9am
Hopetoun: Sunday LLA 9am
Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am
Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

MASS TIMES NEXT WEEKEND

3rd Weekend of the Month: 14th & 15th Jan

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sun 10.30am
Murtoa: Sunday 8.30am
W'beal: Saturday 6.30pm
Hopetoun: Sunday LLA 9am
Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am
Dimboola: Sunday LLA 9am
Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am
Beulah: Sunday Mass 8.30am
Nhill: Sunday Mass 11am

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday 9th January	5.15pm	Warracknabeal - <i>The Baptism Of The Lord</i>
Tuesday 10th January	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Wednesday 11th January	No Mass 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Thursday 12th January	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham
Friday 13th January	No Mass 11am	Warracknabeal Horsham - <i>Funeral Mass for Dorothy Collins</i>
Saturday 14th January	9.00am 9.30am	Warracknabeal Horsham

Sunday Mass

8 January 2023

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine out Jerusalem, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you, though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples.

Above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears. The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness.

Lift up your eyes and look round: all are assembling and coming towards you, your sons from far away and daughters being tenderly carried.

At this sight you will grow radiant, your heart throbbing and full; since the riches of the sea will flow to you; the wealth of the nations come to you; camels in throngs will cover you, and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 71:1-2,7-8,10-13

R Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement

In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails. He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds

The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts shall pay him tribute.

The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts. Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him

For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor

R Lord, every nation on earth will adore you

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery.

This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 2:2

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 2:1-12

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him 'for this is what the prophet wrote:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah
you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah,
for out of you will come a leader
who will shepherd my people Israel.'

Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was.

The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

LOYOLA PRESS REFLECTION

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . ." The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi

paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

Next Weekend's Readings- 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 15th January 2023

1st Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 39:2,4, 7-10
Response: Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3
Gospel: John 1:29-34

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