

St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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BULLETIN

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING - Year C
20th November 2022



Planned Giving Envelopes

Planned Giving Envelopes are now available for pickup in the Horsham Church foyer for those in the Horsham area, and will be distributed to all other Churches also, for local collection.

Enclosed with your envelopes this year, is a **Stewardship Program brochure** that we invite you *all* to **complete and return** at your earliest convenience, **even** if you do not wish to participate in any groups. **Stewardship Program brochures will also be provided in every church foyer for those who do not receive envelope packs.**

Once completed, brochures can be returned with your local Church collection, or directly to the Parish Office in Horsham. The information you provide will allow us to make sure you contact details are up to date (*as we are aware that many aren't*), and will be a valuable tool to assist with planning and improvements moving forward.

Planned Giving and donations are our main source of income, and we rely heavily on your support. If you would like to commence (or recommence) regular contributions, or if your circumstances have changed and you would like to increase your pledge, this can be easily arranged.

*Office staff are currently auditing Direct Debit planned giving pledges as it has been noticed that many have dropped off in recent years, for different reasons. If you have noticed that payments have not been taken out or are unsure if your card details may have expired or bank details have changed, please let the office know.

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Mons Glynn will be out of the office from after Mass Sunday 20th Nov and returning to Horsham Mon 28th Nov.

Mons Glynn will be in Swan Hill at the Northern Zone Meeting on 21st & 22nd, then travelling on to Canberra for a funeral.

Fr Matt will be covering Masses where he can, and we will welcome Fr Rupert Bowd for Masses in Horsham and Dimboola on the weekend of 26th & 27th November.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday 21st November	No Mass	Warracknabeal
Tuesday 22nd November	9am	Warracknabeal
	No Mass	Horsham
Wednesday 23rd November	9am	Warracknabeal
	5.30pm	Horsham - Red Wednesday Mass
Thursday 24th November	9am	Warracknabeal
	5.30pm	Horsham
Friday 25th November	9am	Warracknabeal
	(10.30am)	Horsham - Mass will be held at Sunnyside Lutheran Retirement Village
Saturday 26th November	No Mass	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham

PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: Leondis Dean (Ballarat), Dianne Morrison

ANNIVERSARIES: Barbara Pfeiffer, Maxine Manwarring, Dawn Woodhead, Betty Fitzgerald

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

Anointing:

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

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Communion:

Upon request to the Parish Office, Holy Communion can be arranged for the sick and infirm.

Confessions:

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

Publications Available for Purchase

- We have a limited supply of **God's Word 2023** available for **\$20ea.** Please contact the Parish Office to arrange purchase.



- A limited supply of **Incarnate Daily Reflections** books for Advent & Christmas are available for **\$8 ea.** Please contact the Parish Office to purchase.



- **Columban Calendars** are available in The Piety Stall in the Horsham Church through St Vincent De Paul for \$10ea. Our own order has also now arrived and will be distributed to all other churches in our Parish for sale at \$10 ea.



-We still have copies of the **Brigidine Centenary** book available for **\$35** in the Piety Stall in the Horsham Church or at the Parish Office.

Ladies Group **CHRISTMAS Lunch**

When: Tuesday 29th November

Time: 11.30am

RSVP: 25th November 2022
(names to the office)

Where: **White Hart Horsham**

Cost: Pay as you order



Sunnyside Lutheran Retirement Village Horsham

Mass will be held every **Last Friday** of the month at 10.30am at Sunnyside Lutheran Retirement Village Horsham.

(Recommencing **Fri 25th November 2022** after Covid interruption)



A message from Aid to the Church in Need
Australia: ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church.

Red Wednesday, 23 November 2022 - *Aid to the Church in Need* (ACN) invites you to join in this special day to pray for and stand in solidarity with the 200+ million Christians persecuted for their faith. Around the world, churches and public buildings will light up in red as a symbol of the sacrifice and suffering of our modern-day martyrs. In Australia, ten Cathedrals will be lit in red, with some holding Masses and prayer vigils for persecuted Christians. Parishes and groups may like to hold a prayer hour or pray the rosary together. Individually, you may wish to go to Mass for someone who can't or intentionally wear a religious symbol remembering those who cannot make such a public display of faith. To find out what is happening at a Cathedral near you and other ways to get involved, visit www.aidtochurch.org/redwednesday



Mass will be held in Horsham at 5.30pm for Red Wednesday on 23/11/2022

St Vincent De Paul

A representative of St Vincent de Paul is available to assess and assist cases on **Mon, Wed and Fri** mornings between 11am-12noon.

***Appointments essential**- Phone 5381 2371 to book.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM:

Morning Craft Group:

Wednesdays in Parish Office Meeting Room, 9.30-11.30am.

Meditation Group:

Tuesdays 2pm in the Church Meeting Room

Choir Practice:

2nd Wednesday of the month, 6pm

- **Any newcomers always welcome**

Men's Fellowship Breakfast:

7.30-8.30am, 3rd Thursday of the month @ the Parish Hall

THANK YOU, from Sr Manuela and the Baptistine Sisters

The Sisters of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. John the Baptist [CSSJB] of the Philippines Vice Province, are so grateful for your generous hearts in responding to the Christmas Outreach Appeal for the Philippines, as requested by Sr. Manuela Cabigas, cssjb, who was part of the Diocese of Ballarat and was based in Horsham. We thank you for posting this appeal in your church bulletin dated October 16, 2022. We truly feel the spirit of a synodal church. Sr. Manuela, cssjb, our sister, came back from her mission in Australia with so much joy and gratitude in sharing her great and grace filled missionary work in the Diocese of Ballarat. Thank you for giving her the opportunity to share God's love with you.

We would like to acknowledge the receipt of the Christmas Outreach Appeal for the Philippines, amounting to P62,318.55 pesos (\$1,695.00 AUD). This amount will certainly make the families and children whom we serve in the developing areas of Landscape and Sampaguita, Parafiaque City, under Padre Pio Parish of the Diocese of Parafiaque, happy and grateful.

We are planning to do this Christmas outreach this coming December 10, 2022. We will be happy to send you pictures of the outreach activity soon. **Thank you very much Mons. Murphy and Parishioners! May God bless you and your ministries in bringing the love of Jesus to others.**

Sunday Mass
20th November 2022

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the second book of Samuel 5:1-3

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel."' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord, and they anointed David king of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 121:1-5

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
Jerusalem is built as a city
strongly compact.
It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord.

For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgment
of the house of David.

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians 1:12-20

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints and with them to inherit the light.
Because that is what he has done: he has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves, and in him, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God
and the first-born of all creation;
for in him were created
all things in heaven and on earth:
everything visible and everything invisible,
Thrones, Dominions, Sovereignities, Powers -
all things were created through him and for him.
Before anything was created, he existed,
and he holds all things in unity.
Now the Church is his body,
he is its head.

As he is the Beginning,
he was first to be born from the dead,
so that he should be first in every way;
because God wanted all perfection
to be found in him
and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,
everything in heaven and everything on earth,
when he made peace
by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation Mark 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 23:35-43

The people stayed before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said, 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

LOYOLA PRESS REFLECTION

Today as a Church, we conclude our liturgical year and celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. The Gospel we proclaim shows the great mystery of our faith: In the moment of his crucifixion, Jesus is shown to be King and Savior of all.

Luke's Gospel has been loaded with surprises: the poor are rich, sinners find salvation, the Kingdom of God is found in our midst. Here we see the greatest surprise of all. We are confronted with the crucified Jesus, whom faith tells us is King and Saviour of all. The irony is that the inscription placed on the cross, perhaps in mockery,

contains the profoundest of truth. As the leaders jeer, the thief crucified by his side recognizes Jesus as Messiah and King, and finds salvation.

Jesus is King, but not the kind of king we might have imagined or expected. His kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries, but those who had the eyes of faith were able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we, too, struggle at times to recognize Jesus as King. Today's Gospel invites us to make our own judgment. With eyes of faith, we, too, recognize that Jesus, the crucified One, is indeed King and Saviour of all.