



# St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

## BULLETIN

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD  
- 1st JANUARY 2023**



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### Readers, Commentators & Eucharistic Ministers Roster

#### Horsham

**31st Dec Vigil 6.30pm**

- (R) Maree Plazzer, (C) Micky Robarts  
- (E) Lorraine Clancy, Micky Robarts

**1st Jan 10.30am**

- (R) Anna Robertson, (C) Alison McKinnon  
- (E) Alison McKinnon, Fay Wills, Rosie Taylor

#### Next Week:

**7th Jan Vigil 6.30pm**

- (R) Micky Robarts, (C) Sr Jacinta  
- (E) Cath Taylor, Anthony Amor, Pat Glaubitz

**8th Jan 10.30am**

- (R) Kingsley Dalgleish, (C) May Rosello  
- (E) Mary Dalgleish, Anna Robertson, Timothy Lannen

### Pope's intention for January:

#### For educators

"We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all."

### A Prayer for the New Year

Lord, You make all things new, You bring hope alive in our hearts and cause our spirits to be revived. Thank you for this new year, for all the potential it holds. Come and kindle in us a mighty flame so that in our time, many will see the wonders of God and live to praise Your glorious name. Amen.

### Prayers for Pope Benedict XVI

Let us remember Pope Benedict as he bears the burden of illness. May the Lord comfort him and sustain him in his witness of faith until the end.

### MASS TIMES THIS WEEKEND

#### 1st Weekend of the Month: 31st Dec & 1st January

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am  
Murtoa: Sunday 8.30am  
W'beal: Saturday 6.30pm  
Hopetoun: Sunday 9am  
Rainbow: Sunday 11am  
Dimboola: Sunday LLA 9am  
Minyip: Sunday LLA 10am  
Beulah: Sunday LLA 9.30am  
Nhill: Sunday LLA 10am

### 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>

### MASS TIMES NEXT WEEKEND

#### 2nd Weekend of the Month: 7th & 8th January

Horsham: Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 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

### Please Remember in Your Prayers

#### RECENT DEATHS:

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Amby Torney, Naureen Feery, Jenny Boyko, Jenny Issell, Robert "Bob" Atkins, Romano Radollovi and Silvio Sartori

**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 Deleuw and Kevin Clancy

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 3rd January	<b>9.00am</b> <b>9.30am</b>	Warracknabeal Horsham
Wednesday 4th January	<b>No Mass</b> <b>9.30am</b>	Warracknabeal Horsham
Thursday 5th January	<b>9.00am</b> <b>9.30am</b>	Warracknabeal Horsham
Friday 6th January	<b>9.00am</b> <b>9.30am</b>	Warracknabeal Horsham
Saturday 7th January	<b>9.00am</b> <b>9.30am</b>	Warracknabeal Horsham

## Sunday Mass

1 January 2023

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### First Reading

*A reading from the book of Numbers 6:22-27*

The Lord spoke to Moses and said, 'Say this to Aaron and his sons: "This is how you are to bless the sons of Israel. You shall say to them:

May the Lord bless you and keep you.  
May the Lord let his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
May the Lord uncover his face to you and bring you peace."

This is how they are to call down my name on the sons of Israel, and I will bless them.'

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 66:2-3,5,6,8

**R.** May God bless us in his mercy.

God, be gracious and bless us  
and let your face shed its light upon us.  
So will your ways be known upon earth  
and all nations learn your saving help

Let the nations be glad and exult  
for you rule the world with justice.  
With fairness you rule the peoples.  
you guide the nations on earth.  
Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.  
May God still give us his blessing  
till the ends of the earth revere him

**R.** May God bless us in His mercy

#### Second Reading

*A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians 4:4-7*

When the appointed time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born a subject of the Law, to redeem the subjects of the Law and to enable us to be adopted as sons. The proof that you are sons is that God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts: the Spirit that cries, 'Abba, Father,' and it is this that makes you a son, you are not a slave any more; and if God has made you son, then he has made you heir.

#### Gospel Acclamation Hebrews 1:1-2

Alleluia, alleluia!

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; now he speaks to us through his Son.

Alleluia!

#### Gospel

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 2:16-21*

The shepherds hurried away to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger. When they saw the child they repeated what they had been told about him, and everyone who heard it was astonished at what the shepherds had to say. As for Mary, she treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart. And the shepherds went back glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen; it was exactly as they had been told. When the eighth day came and the child was to be circumcised, they gave him the name Jesus, the name the angel had given him before his conception.

### LOYOLA PRESS REFLECTION

Today's reading is a continuation from the Gospel proclaimed at the Christmas Mass at midnight. In it the shepherds act upon the message they receive from the angel and go to find Jesus in the manger in Bethlehem. In their visit to the manger, the shepherds find things just as the angel had said. The shepherds' visit, therefore, is a moment of fulfillment, manifestation, and the beginning of the salvation we receive through Christ.

In the context of today's Solemnity, this reading also helps us focus on Mary as the Mother of God. The reading tells us at least three things about Mary as a mother. First, Mary is described as a reflective person, keeping the reports of the shepherds in her heart. Second, we are reminded of how obedient Mary was to God when she named the baby *Jesus* as the angel Gabriel had directed. Third, this reading shows Mary and Joseph faithfully observing their Jewish tradition by having Jesus circumcised.

Mary's faithfulness to God is evident in all three of these things. Her reflection upon the events in her life indicates that she was a person of prayer. This prayer made possible her obedience to God and God's will, even if the outcome was not clear. Finally, her faithfulness to a community of faith grounded her relationship with God and enabled her to participate in God's plan of salvation.

Because of Mary's faithfulness to God, she was able to receive the gift of God's Son and accept her role in God's plan for salvation. By doing so, she models for us the path of discipleship and is also called Mother of the Church.

Our call to discipleship also includes these three aspects. First, discipleship means prayer and reflection on the events of our lives that we might see God's presence and work in our lives. Second, discipleship means obedience to God and God's will. Third, discipleship includes fidelity to a community of faith.

### Next Weekend's Readings- The Epiphany of the Lord Year A - 8th January 2023

1st Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6  
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 10-13  
Response: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.  
2nd Reading: St Paul to the Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6  
Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

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