



# St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

## BULLETIN

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary time Year A  
24th SEPTEMBER 2023**



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#### 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 are deleted weekly, and will be available until Friday next week) **YouTube**

#### Channel Link:

[https://www.youtube.com/  
@smjchurchhorsham/streams](https://www.youtube.com/@smjchurchhorsham/streams)



*We welcome to the family of God in Baptism  
this Sunday in Horsham:*

*~ Theodore Robert Harding ~  
Son of Bill & Cara Harding*

*~ Alexander Jack Jubilo ~  
Son of John & Schenley Jubilo*

*~ Pia Freckleton Melchjorsen ~  
Daughter of Jeppe Melchjorsen & Megan Freckleton*

*~ Luca Grant Freckleton ~  
Son of Grant & Lauren Freckleton*

*May they continue to grow in faith with loving support from their  
Families, Godparents, sponsors and our Parish Community.*



**We welcome Fr. Eric Bryant for Masses in Beulah, Warracknabeal,  
and Nhill this weekend while Fr. Matt is on leave.**

*Over the next 2 weeks, weekday Mass times in  
Horsham and Warracknabeal will vary. See schedule below.*

A reminder that the office is currently short staffed until we appoint a replacement for the Administration Officer position. When ringing, please leave a message on the phone answering machine service if we are unable to take the call, and we will return your call as soon as possible. *Thankyou.*

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 26th September	<b>No Mass</b>	Warracknabeal
	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Horsham</b>
Wednesday 27th September	<b>9.00am</b>	Warracknabeal
	<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Horsham</b>
Thursday 28th September	<b>No Mass</b>	Warracknabeal
	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Horsham</b>
	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Natimuk Mass</b>
Friday 29th September	<b>9.00am</b>	Warracknabeal
	<b>10am</b>	<b>Annual Police Remembrance Day Service in Ss Michal &amp; John Church Horsham</b>
	<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Horsham</b>
Saturday 30th September	<b>No Mass</b>	Warracknabeal
	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Horsham</b>

#### Funeral Mass for Eileen McManus

Ss Michael & John Catholic Church, Horsham

Monday 25th September 2023, 11am

Rosary will be offered at 5pm Sunday 24th Sept in SMJ Church

<b>HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER</b>		
<b>23rd &amp; 24th September</b>	<b>Vigil 6.30pm</b>	<b>Sunday 10.30am</b>
<b>Reader</b>	Garry Heinrich	Alison McKinnon
<b>Commentator</b>	Betty Heinrich	Bob Pritchett
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	John Parker Bob Hayes Lesley Price	Karen Hill Lynda Hutchinson Bob Pritchett
<b>30th Sept 1st Oct</b>	<b>Vigil 6.30pm</b>	<b>Sunday 10.30am</b>
<b>Reader</b>	John Parker	Tom Luke
<b>Commentator</b>	Anthony Amor	Anna Robertson
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Pat Glaubitz Lesley Price Anthony Amor	Zita Cannane Andrea Cox Kingsley Dalgleish
<b>Projector</b>	Geoff Simpson	Gabby Mills
<b>Musicians</b>	Embedded	Choir
<b>Livestream</b>	Rob Sartori	N/A
<b>Welcomers</b>	Gary Coutts	Nanette Freckleton Lyn Starr
<b>Tea/Coffee After Mass</b>	N/A	Jisha Luke Nimmy Chisna Preeni
<b>Prayers</b>	Angela Amor and Pauline Breen	
<b>Church Cleaning &amp; Flower Arranging</b>	<b>1st October</b> Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn Maureen McInerney	<b>8th October</b> Zita Cannane Lorraine Clancy Veronica Barker

<b>WARRACKNABEAL LITURGY ROSTER</b>		
	<b>24th September Mass 8.30am</b>	<b>1st October Mass 8.30am</b>
<b>Reader</b>	K Downes	M Walder
<b>Prayers</b>	F Casey	J McFarlane
<b>Collectors</b>	J & M Aitken	L Casey
<b>Cleaning</b>	M Walder & R Barbetti	

<b>NHILL LITURGY ROSTER</b>		
	<b>24th September Mass 8.30am</b>	<b>1st October Mass 8.30am</b>
<b>Sacristan</b>	A Munro	A Munro
<b>Reader</b>	I Dart	D Munro
<b>Collector</b>	R Picone	J Millington
<b>Offertory</b>	Volunteer please	Paul & Leah
<b>Music</b>	Paulino Ramas	Paulino Ramas
<b>Cleaning</b>	C Pilgrim	C Kennedy

**Natimuk Mass: Thursday 28th September, 6.30pm**  
Venue: TBA

**Rupanyup Mass: Thursday 2nd Nov. Venue TBA**

**Child Safety Standards:** St Paul VI Parish  
**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.*

**ROSARY - MURTOA:**  
Rosary will be prayed at St Mary's Church, Murtoa each Wednesday at 4.30pm.

**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.**

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

Please submit notices for our weekly Bulletin to the Parish Office by C.O.B **Thursday**. Thank you.

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

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES**  
**THIS WEEKEND**

**4th Sunday of the month: 23rd & 24th Sept**

Horsham: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**  
Dimboola: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**  
Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**  
Beulah: **Saturday Vigil 6pm**  
Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**  
Minyip: **Sunday LLA 10am**  
Murtoa: **Sunday LLA 9am**  
Hopetoun: **Sunday LLA 9am**  
Rainbow: **Sunday LLA 10am**  
*\*Natimuk: Thursday after the 4th Sunday (28/9) 6.30pm*

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES**  
**NEXT WEEKEND**

**1st Sunday of the month: 30th Sept & 1st Oct**

Horsham: **Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**  
Murtoa: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**  
Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**  
Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**  
Hopetoun: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm**  
Rainbow: **Sunday LLA 10am**  
Dimboola: **Sunday LLA 8.30am**  
Minyip: **Sunday LLA 10am**  
Beulah: **Sunday LLA 9.30am**

## PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

### Please Remember in Your Prayers

#### RECENT DEATHS:

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Beverley Delahunty, Elizabeth Buwalda, Vera Picone

**SICK:** Ken Dowsley, Marie Tobin, Pat Hateley, Ted Haynes, Sam McCulloch, Max Young, Joan McNamara, Pat Brennan (Ballarat), Alex Kavoor, Elliot Pampa, Kevin Clancy, Jodie White, Bernie Ryan, Brendan McKinnon, Cynthia Maiden, Peter James, Noel Kearns, Brenda Ramsdale, Pat Cummins, Patricia Simpson, Frank White

Warracknabeal Conference of St Vincent de Paul will meet at St Patrick's Church Minyip on Wednesday 27 September at 2pm.

#### **Migrant & Refugee Sunday – September 24, 2023**

The theme of Pope Francis' Message for this year's World Day of Migrants and Refugees is, "Freedom to choose whether to migrate or stay." The Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office (ACMRO) have created online resources which are available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/109th-world-day-of-migrants-refugees-sunday-september-24-2023/>

#### **Prayer for Migrant & Refugee Sunday 2023**

*God, Father Almighty,  
grant us the grace to work tirelessly for justice, solidarity and peace,  
so that all your children may enjoy the freedom to choose whether to migrate or to stay.  
Grant us the courage to denounce all the horrors of our world,  
and to combat every injustice that mars the beauty of your children and the harmony of our common home.  
Sustain us by the power of your Spirit, so that we can reflect your tender love to every migrant whom you place in our path,  
and to spread in hearts and in every situation the culture of encounter and of care. Amen*

Horsham Rural City Council are running a survey for Seniors. Survey forms are available in the foyer of the Horsham Church, at the HRCC office, or online through the following link: <https://au.openforms.com/Form/c181127c-7ed0-4799-8ff1-edb3f71f0523>

*Aid to the Church in Need* invites all parishes, schools and families to take part in our annual "One million children praying the Rosary," on 18 October 2023. Last year 40,000 Australian children participated. Free resources can be found online including reflections for children and a prayer of consecration for children to the Mother of God. To learn more and to register visit [www.aidtochurch.org/onemillionchildren](http://www.aidtochurch.org/onemillionchildren).



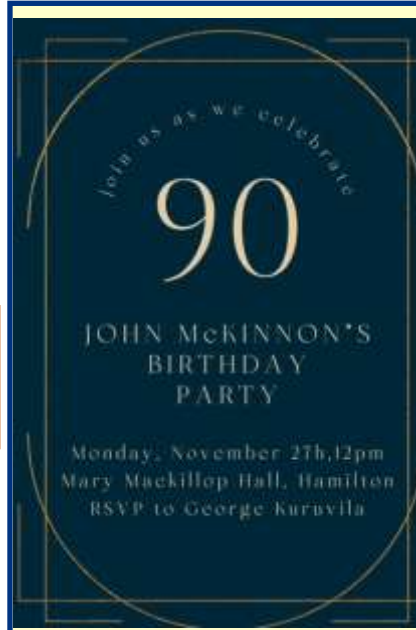
Aid to the  
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#### St Vincent de Paul

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.



You are all invited to the Birthday Party of Fr John McKinnon, on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November at 12.00 pm at the Mackillop Hall of St Mary's Parish, Hamilton.

**RSVP to the  
St Mary's Parish office  
03 5571 1161.**

**Columban Art Calendars for 2024 have arrived and will be delivered for sale over the coming weeks to church communities within our Parish who have ordered.**

These are also available to purchase through the Piety Stall (run by St Vincent de Paul) in the foyer of the Horsham Church after weekend Masses when open.



**Advent Daily Reflection** books and **God's Word 2024** will be ordered in the near future, **please let the office know by Friday 6th Oct if interested in purchasing.**

An order for **Break Open the Word, Ordo 2024**, and the **2024 Daily Mass Book** will soon be processed when numbers of copies required are finalised.

**St Brigid's College Horsham invite past pupils of the Classes of 1973, 1983, 1993, 2003 & 2013 for the milestone reunion!**



**The reunion will be held at St Brigid's College on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2023, at 2pm.**

Attendees can RSVP by calling the Front Office on (03) 5382 3545 or via this link: <https://forms.gle/uKfjHb2KMsZ1huXa9>

#### **WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM:**

##### **Morning Craft Group:**

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

**Meditation Group:** Every Tuesday, 2.00pm in the Church meeting room.

##### **Choir Practice:**

2nd Wednesday of the month, 4pm

- **Any newcomers always welcome**

##### **Men's Fellowship: Breakfast**

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

**Sunday Mass**  
**24 September 2023**

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

*First Reading*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 55:6-9  
Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,  
call to him while he is still near.  
Let the wicked man abandon his way,  
the evil man his thoughts.  
Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him,  
to our God who is rich in forgiving;  
for my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
my ways not your ways - it is the Lord who speaks.  
Yes, the heavens are as high above earth  
as my ways are above your ways,  
my thoughts above your thoughts.

*Responsorial Psalm* 144:2-3,8-9,17-18

**R.** The Lord is near to all who call him.  
I will bless you day after day  
and praise your name for ever.  
The Lord is great, highly to be praised,  
his greatness cannot be measured.  
The Lord is kind and full of compassion,  
slow to anger, abounding in love.  
How good is the Lord to all,  
compassionate to all his creatures.  
The Lord is just in all his ways  
and loving in all his deeds.  
He is close to all who call him,  
who call on him from their hearts.

**R.** The Lord is near to all who call him.

*Second Reading* A reading from the letter of St Paul  
to the Philippians 1:20-24,27

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by  
my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death  
would bring me something more; but then again, if living in

this body means doing work which is having good results - I  
do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this  
dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would  
be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body  
is a more urgent need for your sake.  
Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy  
of the gospel of Christ.

*Gospel Acclamation* Acts 16:14

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Open our hearts, O Lord,  
to listen to the words of your Son.  
Alleluia!

*Gospel* A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a  
landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his  
vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one  
denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at  
about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market  
place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will  
give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour  
and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the  
same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and  
found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why  
have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one  
has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into  
my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard  
said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages,  
starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So  
those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came  
forward and received one denarius each. When the first  
came, they expected to get more, but they too received one  
denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner.  
"The men who came last" they said "have done only one  
hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we  
have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered  
one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to  
you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings  
and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you.  
Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be  
envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first,  
and the first, last.'

LOYOLA PRESS REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, Jesus moves from Galilee to teach in Judea  
where he is sought out by great crowds and tested by the Pharisees  
on issues such as marriage and divorce. Jesus also encounters a rich  
young man who is unable to accept Jesus' demand that he leave his  
possessions to follow him. Jesus' response to the rich young man  
sounds very much like the conclusion we will find in today's Gos-  
pel: the first will be last and the last will be first.

On the surface, the parable of the workers in the vineyard appears to  
be an offense to common sense. Those who work a longer day  
ought to be paid more than those who work just an hour or two.  
When viewed in this way, the landowner seems unfair. That is be-  
cause we are reading into the parable our own preconceived notions  
of how fairness and equality should be quantified.

A close read shows us that the landowner paid on the terms that  
were negotiated. The landowner, it seems, has acted completely  
justly. The parable goes beyond that, however, and we come to see

that the landowner is not simply just, he is exceptionally just. He is  
radically just. He has given those who laboured in the field for a full  
day their due pay. But he has also given a full-day's wage to those  
who worked only a single hour. No one is cheated, but a few re-  
ceive abundantly from the landowner just as we receive from God  
more than what is merely justifiable or due. God, like the landown-  
er, is radically just and abundantly generous. The workers who  
complain are made to look foolish as they lament the fact that the  
landowner has made all workers equal. Indeed, what more could  
one ask for than to be treated as an equal at work or anywhere else?

The parable reminds us that although God owes us nothing, he of-  
fers abundantly and equally. We are occasionally tempted to think  
that our own actions deserve more reward, more of God's abundant  
mercy, than the actions of others. But God's generosity cannot be  
quantified or partitioned into different amounts for different people.  
When we think that way, we are trying to relate to God on our terms  
rather than to accept God's radically different ways.

**Next Weekend's Readings: The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A**

**1st Reading:** Prophet Ezekiel 18:25-28  
**Responsorial Psalm:** 24:4-9  
**Response:** Remember your mercies, O Lord

**2nd Reading:** St Paul to the Philippians 2:1-11  
**Gospel:** Matthew 21:28-32