



St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

BULLETIN

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
22nd September 2024 - YEAR B

National Police Remembrance Day

Inspector Caroline Johnson of the Police Wimmera Division extends an invitation to you to attend the Remembrance Service.



National Police Remembrance Day is commemorated on Friday 27th September 2024 and honours the memory of Police Officers who have died in the line of duty in Australia, including in service between September 2023 and September 2024.

You are invited to the Horsham Police Remembrance Day Service to be held at Ss Michael and John Catholic Church

Friday 27th September 2024 - 10:00am, morning tea to follow

CONTACTS

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CLOSED MONDAYS

Office Hours: **TUES - FRI**
9am-12.30pm - 1.30pm-4.00pm
Closed between 12.30pm -1.30pm

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

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Mass Livestreaming

Vigil Mass will be livestreamed from the Horsham Church at 6.30pm Saturday Night 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 each week)

YouTube Channel Link:

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



110TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES SUNDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2024

The theme of Pope Francis' Message for this year's World Day of Migrants and Refugees is "GOD WALKS WITH HIS PEOPLE." The Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office has created online resources, including the liturgy for primary and secondary schools, homily notes, prayers of intercession, stories, and interviews, to help celebrate this special day.

Resources available at: <https://acmro.catholic.org.au/wdmr/2024>

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 24th September	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
	1.00pm	Funeral Prayers for Jeffrey 'Jeff' Haase
Wednesday 25th September	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Thursday 26th September	9.30am	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Friday 27th September	5pm	Warracknabeal
	No Mass	Horsham Church
	10.00am	Horsham - Police Memorial Service
	10.30am	Sunnyside Lutheran Rest Home Mass (visitors welcome, conditions apply- See pg 2 of bulletin)
Saturday 28th September	6.30pm	Horsham - Syro-Malabar Rite Mass
	No Mass	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham



Funeral Prayers for Jeff Haase

Ss Michael & John Catholic Church, Horsham

Tuesday 24th September, 2024 at 1pm



HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER		
21st & 22nd September	6.30pm Vigil	10.30am Sunday
Reader	John Parker	Alison McKinnon
Commentator	Sr Jacinta	Anna Robertson
Eucharist Ministers	John Parker Bob Hayes Lesley Price	Simon Lynch Anna Robertson Timothy Lannen
28th & 29th September	6.30pm Vigil	10.30am Sunday
Reader	Emelia Sudholz	May Rosello
Commentator	Maree Plazzer	Louise Kemp
Eucharist Ministers	Pat Glaubitz Lesley Price Anthony Amor	Karen Hill Lynda Hutchinson
Projector	Geoff Simpson	Robert Sartori
Musicians	Embedded	Embedded
Livestream	Robert Sartori	N/A
Welcomers	Judy Bryan Pat Williams	Alistair Castle
Tea/Coffee After Mass	N/A	Dianne Noy Carmel, Veronica, Louise
Prayers	John & Joan Parker	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	29th September Josie Phelan Pauline Irwin Joan Butler Margo Hogan	6th October Jenny Clarke Bernie Lakin Rhonda Tursi

WARRACKNABEAL LITURGY ROSTER		
	22nd September Mass 8.30am	29th September Mass 8.30am
Reader	M. Aitken	L. Casey
Prayers	M. Farrall	L. Casey
Collectors	L. Casey	L. Casey
Cleaning	M Walder & R Barbetti	

NHILL LITURGY ROSTER		
	22nd September Mass 11am	29th September Mass 11am
Sacristan	J. Gurry	A. Munro
Reader	J. Gurry	M. Millington
Collector	J. Kennedy	J. Kennedy
Music	Paul Ramas	Paul Ramas
Cleaning	A. Munro	A. Munro

HOPETOUN LITURGY ROSTER		
	22nd September LLA 9am	29th September LLA 9am
Reader	Horman Family	Luca & Dakota
Offertory	Cynthia & Joan	Claire & Marilyn
Eucharistic Minister	Olive	Joan

Sunnyside Lutheran Rest Home Mass
Friday 27th September 10.30am

Visitors can attend providing they produce a negative RAT result, no mask required. (Circumstances can change)

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, and name)

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.

Child Safety Standards: St Paul VI Parish **Bob Pritchett** is our Safeguarding Officer, Horsham and **Cynthia Maiden**, Hopetoun.
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.

HOLY COMMUNION TO SICK, ELDERLY OR HOUSE BOUND
Parishioners interested in receiving *preparation/ guidance to be able to bring Holy Communion from our churches to Parishioners* can notify Mons Glynn.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES THIS WEEKEND
4th Sunday of the month: 22nd September 2024
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 10.30am**
Hopetoun: **Sunday LLA 9am**
Rainbow: **Sunday LLA 10am**

WEEKEND MASS TIMES NEXT WEEKEND
5th Sunday of the month: 29th September, 2024
Horsham: **Saturday Vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am**
Nhill: **Sunday Mass 11am**
Minyip: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
Warracknabeal: **Sunday Mass 8.30am**
Murtoa: Saturday Vigil Mass 6.30pm
Hopetoun: **Sunday LLA 9am**
Dimboola: **No LLA**
Beulah: **Sunday LLA 9.30am**
Rainbow: Sunday LLA 10am

PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS: Jeff Haase, Michael (Fin) Clark

ANNIVERSARIES: Thomas Chacko Kottavam,
Lorraine Preuss, Vera Picone

SICK: Pat Hateley, Ted Haynes, Alex Kavoor, Elliot Pumpa, Kevin Clancy, Jodie White, Bernie Ryan, Brendan McKinnon, Cynthia Maiden, Peter James, Noel Kearns, Patricia Simpson, Frank White, David Gillard, Jason O'Connell, Tim Clancy, Cassie Simpson, Jean Simpson, Joan Whiley, Adam Cooper

Next Weekend's Readings:

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

1st Reading: Numbers 11:25-29

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 18:8, 10, 12-14

Response: The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

2nd Reading: Letter of St James 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

St Vincent de Paul

A representative of St Vincent de Paul is available to assess and assist cases in **Horsham** on

Mon, Wed and Fri mornings between 11am - 12noon

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

Pope Francis' Prayer for the 110th World Day of Migrants & Refugees Sunday 29th, September 2024

God Almighty Father, we are your pilgrim Church journeying towards the Kingdom of heaven.

*We live in our homeland, but as
if we were foreigners.*

Every foreign place is our home, yet every native land is foreign to us. Though we live on earth, our true citizenship is in heaven.

Do not let us become possessive of the portion of the world you have given us as a temporary home.

Help us to keep walking, together with our migrant brothers and sisters, toward the eternal dwelling you have prepared for us.

Open our eyes and our hearts so that every encounter with those in need becomes an encounter with Jesus, your Son and our Lord. Amen.

**Sunday 20 October
2024**

St Patrick's School

75 Years

1949 - 2024



Join us as we celebrate 75 years of Catholic Education at St Patrick's School, Nhill



Mass 11am
Celebratory Mass in St Patrick's Church



Official Welcome
Speeches and Cake Cutting at 12.30pm



School Open
School open for visiting from 12.30pm until 2.30pm



RSVP to principal@spnhill.catholic.edu.au
or phone St Patrick's School on 5391 1575

St Patrick's Primary School Nhill is celebrating 75 years since its opening in 1949. To mark this occasion the school community will be celebrating the milestone on Sunday 20 October. Current and past families, students, staff and the general public are welcome to join. Celebrations will commence with Mass in St Patrick's Catholic Church at 11am, then move to the school from 12.15pm with speeches and official welcome taking place in the St Patrick's Community Hall. The school building will also be open for visitors to wander through.

If you have any memorabilia or photos that would be relevant to display on the day, could you please contact Kingsley Dagleish via the school on the contact details listed above.

ACTIVITIES IN SMJ CHURCH HORSHAM

Morning Craft Group

The Craft Group gather weekly in the Parish Office meeting room on Wednesdays, 9.30am -11.30am

Choir Practice

2nd Wednesday of the month, 4pm at the Church
Any newcomers always welcome

Men's Fellowship

Breakfast - **3rd Thursday** of the month
7.30am - 8.30am at the Parish Hall. All men welcome.

Meditation Group

The Meditation Group meet weekly on Tuesdays, at 2.00pm in the Church meeting room.

Prayer Group

Will meet on the **1st and 3rd Wednesdays** of each month, at 1.30pm in the church meeting room.

Sunday Mass

22nd September 2024

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

The godless say to themselves,
'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.

Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after - we have his word for it.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 53:3-6, 8

R. The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth.

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God.

But I have God for my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good.

R. The Lord upholds my life.

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St James 3:16 - 4:3

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness. Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

Gospel Acclamation cf 2 Thessalonians 2:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 9:30-37

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The four week inclusion of the Bread of Life discourse from John 6 resulted in the need to omit parts of Mark. Thus between last Sunday's passage (Mark 8:27-35) and today's (Mark 9:30-37) most of chapter 9 has been omitted, including the transfiguration, a discussion on death and Elijah's return, and the difficult case of an epileptic boy. Our edition of the Lectionary changes the opening's "that place" (wherever the boy was healed, wherever the other disciples had been left before and Jesus and the three re-joined them after the transfiguration episode) to "the mountain" that had framed the transfiguration account (Mark 9:2,9). It is the only clue to the omission, without which the passage almost appears to continue last Sunday's teaching on the cross (the final part of which was omitted) with Jesus now telling the disciples more about what is to come. The third instance of Jesus' telling them of his approaching passion and death (Mark 10:32-34) will be omitted between the Twenty-Eighth and Twenty-Ninth Sundays. The repeating of this theme in such a brief span makes clear to the reader (when reading the whole Gospel as intended) that the path of Jesus leads to the cross. This guided the choice for the Lectionary of today's first reading of excerpted passages from Wisdom.

Isolated from its context, the Wisdom pericope

(2:12,17-20) could be interpreted as a prophecy about Christ, "the virtuous man" condemned by the godless "to a shameful death", taunted that if he "is God's son [or servant], God will take his part". However, "the virtuous" refers to anyone who holds to righteousness or virtuousness. All such persons are called *pais* (child/servant) of God. That "the virtuous" applies to others is evident in later passages from the same section, often heard at funerals, "The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God" (Wis 3:1-9), also used for the feast of St Andrew, and "The virtuous man, though he die before his time, will find rest" (Wis 4:7-15). If we do read today's passage as being about Christ, then it should be so as to emphasise his true unity with us, for he suffers at the hands of the powerful, just as the poor of this world do. In yet another example of there being nothing new under the sun, the nihilism that Wisdom's author describes is prevalent in our own times. He links it to that tendency, especially of the wealthy and powerful, to become less God-fearing, to the point of denying anything beyond what is experienced here: they declare that there is nothing more than this life, nothing after this life, and so anything can be done with impunity. Denying any meaning or purpose in this world and life, they look to their own capacity as sufficient reason to satisfy any desire and to enjoy this temporary state as much as possible. For them, might is right. This is what drove the perverse social Darwinism of

Nazism, which claimed to itself the right to dominate others simply because it could. There is an inherent contradiction in such a position, for in denying meaning and purpose they make self-enjoyment (or self-fulfilment) alone meaningful and raise the pursuit of their own pleasure to the status of life's guiding purpose. In short, contradictorily, they elevate their temporary selves as the world's meaning and purpose.

The second reading (James 3:16-4:3) echoes similar concerns, so evidently even God-fearing Christians struggle at times to keep things in perspective, and so sometimes they let their own desires rule them. The teaching of Christ and the lesson of the cross is different; to win the world is to lose one's life (Mark 8:35-37), and to follow him requires denying oneself and taking up his cross (8:34). Even the Twelve struggle to understand what he is teaching; instead they take to arguing on the road about who among them is the greatest, notwithstanding the even clearer indication of how Jesus himself is to suffer, that is, that he, their master, who teaches with authority, who has authority over unclean spirits, the Lord of the Sabbath, and the one whom the winds and seas obey (all pointing to him as having divine authority), will himself submit to the powerful and die to show the emptiness of their way. The greatest must be as servant to all.