



St. Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee

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

BULLETIN

Easter Sunday - YEAR C 20th April, 2025



Please Note: There will be **NO** tea & coffee after **Easter Sunday Mass** in Horsham, so that people can spend more time with their families.

Wishing everyone a Happy and Holy Easter

Safe travels for all those on the roads over the school holidays and enjoy the break with family.

Bishop Paul's Easter Message: Read Bishop Paul's Easter message on the diocesan web-site <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/at-times-we-all-need-a-soothing-anointing/>
Printed copies will be available in church foyers.

CONTACTS

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Fr Sajan Mathew
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Parish Office

CLOSED MONDAYS

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

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Staff

Olivia & Naomi

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

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<https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/parish/wimmera-mallee/>

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 will be available until Friday each week)

YouTube Channel Link:

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

HOLY WEEK LITURGIES

St Paul VI Parish 2025

- ♦ **HOLY TUESDAY - 15th April** - Horsham - 2nd Rite Reconciliation - **6.30pm**
- Hopetoun - 2nd Rite Reconciliation - **12.30pm**
 - ♦ **HOLY WEDNESDAY - 16th April** - Warracknabeal - 2nd Rite Reconciliation - **5.30pm**
- Nhill - 2nd Rite Reconciliation - **5.30pm**
 - ♦ **HOLY THURSDAY - 17th April** - Horsham - Mass of the Lords Supper - **7pm (livestreamed)**
- Warracknabeal - Mass of the Lords Supper - **7pm**
 - ♦ **GOOD FRIDAY - 18th April** - Horsham - Lords Passion - **3pm (livestreamed)**
- Warracknabeal - Lords Passion - **3pm**
- Nhill - Stations of the Cross - **10am**
- Hopetoun - Stations of the Cross - **10am**
- Murtoa - Stations of the Cross - **3pm**
- Holy Land Collection** – Good Friday, April 18, 2025 - The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land*
- ♦ **EASTER VIGIL (Sat) - 19th April** - Horsham - **8pm (livestreamed)**
- Warracknabeal - **8.30pm**
- Nhill **6pm**
- Murtoa - **5.30pm**
 - ♦ **EASTER SUNDAY - 20th April** - Horsham - **10.30am** - Dimboola - **8.30am**
- Hopetoun - **8.30am** - Beulah - **10am**

~ Safe & Blessed Easter be Yours ~

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 22nd April	No Mass	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
Wednesday 23rd April	No Mass	Warracknabeal
	No Mass	Horsham (<i>Priests attending Funeral of Fr Kevin Murphy in Ballarat</i>)
Thursday 24th April	No Mass	Warracknabeal
	9.30am	Horsham
	6.30pm	Rupanyup Mass - at Davison household
Friday 25th April Anzac Day	No Mass	Warracknabeal
	9.30 am	Horsham
	10.30am	Sunnyside Lutheran Rest Home Mass
Saturday 26th April	No Mass	Warracknabeal
	No morning Mass	Horsham

<u>HORSHAM MINISTRY ROSTER</u>		
<u>Easter 19th & 20th April</u>	<u>Easter Weekend Roster in Church Foyer</u>	<u>Easter Weekend Roster in Church Foyer</u>
Reader		
Commentator		
Eucharist Ministers		
<u>26th & 27th April</u>	<u>6.30pm Vigil</u>	<u>10.30am Mass</u>
Reader	Sr Jacinta	Alison McKinnon
Commentator	Garry Heinrich	Bob Pritchett
Eucharist Ministers	Micky Roberts Cath Taylor	Alison McKinnon Rosie Taylor Simon Lynch
Projector	Geoff Simpson	Rob Sartori
Musicians	Chris Roberts	Choir
Livestream	Rob Sartori	N/A
Welcomers	Judy Bryan Pat Williams	Marina Manserra Zita Cannane
Tea/Coffee After Mass	N/A	Dianne Noy Carmel Veronica Louise Kemp
Prayers	Louise Guest	
Church Cleaning & Flower Arranging	<u>27th April</u> Helen Hunter Margaret Fischer Dianne Quinn	<u>4th May</u> Lynda Hutchinson Bernadette Delahunty Pauline Breen

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

Any family members who are aware of relatives (or friends) in the above situations who would like to receive Holy Communion at their place of residence. Please advise details to our Parish Office at any time. Ministry will be arranged.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES
THIS WEEKEND

EASTER ROSTER

Please refer to front page of bulletin

<u>WARRACKNABEAL LITURGY ROSTER</u>		
	Easter Triduum Masses as per Schedule on front page	<u>27th April</u> Mass 8.30am
Reader		M Aitken
Prayers		L Casey
Collectors		D & K Baxter
Cleaning		B Evans & T Penny
<u>NHILL LITURGY ROSTER</u>		
	<u>19th April</u> Easter Vigil 6pm	<u>27th April</u> Mass 11am
Sacristan	C Kennedy	J Curry
Reader	M Millington	C Kennedy
Collector	J Millington	J Millington
Music	Quyen	Quyen
Cleaning	M Millington	M Millington
<u>HOPETOUN LITURGY ROSTER</u>		
	<u>20th April</u> Easter Sunday Mass 8.30am	<u>27th April</u> LLA 9am
Reader	Cynthia Maiden	Ellerdy Seipolt
Collectors	Claire & Kevin	Jacki & Brian
Offertory	Jan & Allan	Claire White & Marilyn Clancy
Eucharistic Minister		Therese Bellingier
<u>RUPANYUP MASS</u> 24/4/25 - Davison Household 6.30pm		<u>NATIMUK MASS</u> TBA

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 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.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES
NEXT WEEKEND

4th Sunday of the month: 27th April

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**

PARISH EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please Remember in Your Prayers

RECENT DEATHS

ANNIVERSARIES

Serena Arscott, Joseph Natoli, Michael Murphy

SICK OR INJURED

Pat Hateley, Ted Haynes, Alex Kavoor, Elliot Pumpa,
Kevin Clancy, Bernie Ryan, Brendan McKinnon,
Cynthia Maiden, Peter James, Noel Kearns,
Patricia Simpson, Frank White, David Gillard, Tim Clancy,
Cassie Simpson, Jean Simpson, Adam Cooper, Mary Hallam



FREE SCHOOL BUS SERVICE

Our Lady Help of Christians Primary School Murtoa now offer their students from Horsham a free school bus service. The bus departs from and returns to Ss Michael and John Church, with pick up in the morning at 8am, and drop off in the afternoon at 4pm.

Low fee Catholic education in a beautiful rural setting is available to families just 25 minutes away from Horsham!

Interested families are encouraged to contact the school on 03 5385 2526 or email principal Chris McCumstie at:
principal@olhcmurtoa.catholic.edu.au

The Morning Craft Group (who meet weekly at the Parish Office meeting room), are organising a trip to the **Woods' Farming & Heritage Museum Rupanyup** on Friday 2nd May 2025. Open to all members of the Parish.

The group will meet at the Parish Office (10 Roberts Ave Horsham) at 10am and will car pool to Rupanyup. RSVP to Pauline Barber 0429811240.

The Society of St Vincent de Paul are no longer able to lead the Rosary the evening before a funeral in Horsham due to lack of numbers available. Families wishing to pray the Rosary on evening prior to a funeral can arrange access to the church via the Parish Office and a **family led Rosary** can occur.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Each of the four Gospels reports the discovery of the empty tomb after Jesus' death. At the Easter Vigil each year, we read from one of the Synoptic Gospels. This year we are in Lectionary Cycle C and we read from the Gospel of Luke. On Easter Sunday, the Gospel reading is always taken from the Gospel of John.

In each of the four Gospels, we learn that it was the female followers of Jesus who first went to the tomb. Luke reports that the women from Galilee go to the tomb to anoint Jesus' body, bringing with them the spices they had prepared. Luke names three women who found the tomb empty: Mary Magdalene, Joanna, and Mary, the mother of James.

Upon arriving at the tomb, the women find that the stone has been rolled away from the entrance. They enter the tomb but do not see the body of Jesus. Before the women have drawn any conclusions about this, they see two men dressed in dazzling garments. The women are said to be

terrified. When these men speak to the women, they announce that Jesus has been raised from the dead. As if to prove their announcement, the men recall Jesus' own words to them. The women leave the tomb and report to the others what they have seen and heard.

These women disciples were faithful followers of Jesus who had probably served Jesus in many ways during his journeys. Luke tells us that they remained present with Jesus on his way to the crucifixion site and witnessed his death. They came to the tomb that morning expecting to serve Jesus once again by anointing his body. Instead, they were sent to minister in a different way, as messengers to Peter and the apostles.

Yet the apostles do not believe the women. Luke reports that the women's story seemed like nonsense. It is odd that Peter goes to the tomb at all. Perhaps Peter knew these women well enough to give their story credence. Perhaps he remembered something that Jesus had said that led him to hope that the women's story was more than nonsense. Without explaining why, Luke tells us that Peter goes to the tomb to investigate the women's story. He looks into the tomb, sees the

burial cloths alone, and then goes home amazed. We see in Luke's Gospel that the Twelve (who now number eleven because of Judas' betrayal) are identified as separate from the other disciples. These men were identified as Jesus' inner circle; they hold a position of authority in the community of disciples. At the start of his ministry, Luke tells us that Jesus chose the Twelve and named them apostles (Luke 6:12-16). The word apostle means "one who is sent." During his lifetime, Jesus prepared these apostles to be his witnesses by sending them to heal the sick, to exorcise demons, and to proclaim the Kingdom of God.

Peter is singled out from among the Twelve. The authority of Peter and the other apostles will continue to be described in the Acts of the Apostles, which was written by the author of the Gospel of Luke. We can trace our faith in Jesus' Resurrection to these witnesses. Their teaching, their ministry, and their bold proclamation of Christ's saving death and Resurrection are the beginning of the Church's witness to salvation through Christ.

St Paul VI Parish Wimmera-Mallee
has six schools governed by DOBCEL



Schools can be contacted at the details below.



St Joseph's Primary School, Hopetoun

Principal: Cynthia Maiden

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St Mary's Primary School, Warracknabeal

Principal: Julie Leonard

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St Patrick's Primary School, Nhill

Principal: Kingsley Dalglish

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St Brigid's College, Horsham (Secondary)

Principal: Gerard Raven

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Ss Michael and John Primary School, Horsham

Principal: Louise Chesterfield

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Our Lady Help of Christian's Primary School, Murtoa

Principal: Chris McCumstie

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As partners in Catholic education and open to God's presence, we pursue fullness of life for all.

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

NOTE: The MAY gathering will be on **THURSDAY 15th , Dinner at 6pm at the RSL - McLachlan St, Horsham**
All men welcome.

Meditation Group

The Meditation Group meet weekly on Tuesdays at 2pm in the Church meeting room.

Prayer Group

Prayer Group meet 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 1.30pm in the Church meeting room.

Easter Sunday Mass (Morning)

20th April 2025

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Acts 10:34, 37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil.' Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 5:6-8

You must know how even a small amount of yeast is enough to leaven all the dough, so get rid of all the old yeast, and make yourselves into a completely new batch of bread, unleavened as you are meant to be. Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast, by getting rid of all the old yeast of evil and wickedness, having only the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Sequence

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to his Father reconciled. Death with life contended: combat strangely ended! Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. The tomb the Living did enclose; I saw Christ's glory as he rose! The angels there attesting; shroud with grave-clothes resting. Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. Victorious king, thy mercy show!

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;
let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, at the first sign of dawn, the women went to the tomb with the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb, but on entering discovered that the body of the Lord Jesus was not there. As they stood there not knowing what to think, two men in brilliant clothes suddenly appeared at their side. Terrified, the women lowered their eyes. But the two men said to them, 'Why look among the dead for someone who is alive? He is not here; he is risen. Remember what he told you when he was still in Galilee: that the Son of Man had to be handed over into the power of sinful men and be crucified, and rise again on the third day?' And they remembered his words.

When the women returned from the tomb they told all this to the Eleven and to all the others. The women were Mary of Magdala, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James. The other women with them also told the apostles, but this story of theirs seemed pure nonsense, and they did not believe them.

Peter, however, went running to the tomb. He bent down and saw the binding cloths, but nothing else; he then went back home, amazed at what had happened.

Next Weekend's Readings: Second Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 5:12-16

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 117:2-4, 22-27

Response: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

2nd Reading: Apocalypse 1:9-13, 17-19

Gospel: John 20:19-31