ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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PARISH STAFF: Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)

Kathleen Card (Pastoral Associate) Barry Wolff (Business Manager) Leanne McElgunn (Secretary) Pat Negri (Gardening/Maintenance)

Office Hours: Monday to Friday: 9.00am - 1.00pm; 1.30pm - 4.00pm

SCHOOL PRINCIPALS: Michael Gray (St Joseph's School)

Peter Morgan (Emmanuel College)

WEEK-END LITURGIES: Sunday: 8.30am - 10.30am - 6.00pm

Purnim: 11.00am (Eucharist on 2nd and 4th Sundays)

(Assembly of Word with Communion on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays)

WEEK-DAY LITURGIES: Monday: 11.00am (Requiem Mass: Shirley Primmer RIP)

Wednesday Thursday & Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

Deaths: Shirley Primmer

Anniversaries: Maureen Bushell, Jack O'Neill, Tom & Roger Hussey

Baptism Preparation: This Wednesday at 7.30pm. Please book prior to the evening

Winter Appeal: Parishioners are encouraged to support the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society in its endeavours to provide relief to the disadvantaged and homeless in our community. The Annual Appeal is at all Masses today (2nd collection).

eConference: Listening to the Spirit and Leading Change: 14th National eConference: Wednesday 8th August at St Joseph's Parish Hall.

Diocesan Liturgical Commission: Liturgy Formation Workshops: Guidelines for the use of Visual Display Systems, Prayerful Engagement with Scripture in the Liturgy and RCIA. Sunday 29th July in Hamilton. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Paul at 10.30am. Register at liturgy@ballarat.catholic.org.au or contact Parish Office

Meetings: Wednesday: Pastoral Leadership Team at 5.00pm

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of June **Parish:** \$3,124.00 **Pledged Amount**: (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery**: \$1,173.00 NB: Parish contributions consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debit

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday

This weekend we celebrate Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday. We acknowledge the Gunditjmara people, the traditional owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge their continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship to this country and we commit to working for reconciliation and justice.

Three 'New' Parishes

Our Ballarat Diocese has three 'new' parishes - formed by joining groups of neighbouring parishes that have already been working together.

St Mary MacKillop Parish, Western Border

• Casterton Coleraine Edenhope Hamilton Harrow

Fr Pat Mugavin: Parish Priest Fr John Corrigan: Assistant Priest

Holy Family Parish, Northeast Mallee

• Swan Hill Sea Lake Northern region of Quambatook

Fr Matthew Thomas: Parish Priest

Mary Glourey Parish, East Wimmera

• Birchip Charlton Donald St Arnaud Wycheproof and Southern region of Quambatook

Fr Eugene McKinnon: Parish Priest Fr Peter Jose: Assistant Priest

I thank all the parishioners, parish staff and priests who have been involved in the consultation and planning. I pray that the formation of these new parishes will bring new blessings for our local communities. **Bishop Paul Bird**

Parishioners: Bishop Bird asks that **all volunteers** provide their parish with a current Working with Children Check (WWC). If you are a volunteer in **any ministry** we ask you to complete this task.

We fully appreciate the time you give in the service of our parish, as without your voluntary efforts our parish simply would not be able to operate. Please rest assured these changes and requests are to ensure that St Joseph's Parish is accountable and have the correct procedures in place. If you need help with the process or require further information please contact Leanne (Parish Office)

Thank you for the many parishioners who have responded or have sought help.

Organ Scholarship: We congratulate the students on their success in the Organ Eisteddfod last week. Hannah van de Camp 1st, Anna Barker 2nd, Emily Hovey 3rd. Honourable Mention: Alyssa Miles O'Bray, Ellie Holden & James Hovey. This Wednesday & Thursday a Winter Organ School is being held (St Joseph's) with a concert on Wednesday at 12.45pm. All welcome