# The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool Priest: Father Michael Linehan Phone: 5562 5033 Postal address: c/- Post Office, Dennington Vic 3280. www.ballarat.catholic.org.au **21 July 2019 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes Child Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Rachel Brown. 0402 009 785

# **Plenary Council**

The fifth of the six themes for Plenary Council 2020 sees the Church as a iovful, hope-filled and servant community. Some signs that the Church could achieve that role would include its being a witness in society; a better use of Church finances: care for neighbour; creation of small groups/ communities within parishes; outreach to the wider community and to youth and stronger parish communities. As usual, further information can be had at plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au The plenary council can be followed at #plenarycouncil and #listentothespirit

## If You Can't Get to Mass

We know that there are some parishioners who, because of age or infirmity are unable to get to Sunday Mass. If you are one of them, and are seeing this bulletin at home or online, you may be interested in watching *Mass For You at Home* on TV. It screens on free-to-air Channel 8 or 80 at 6 a.m. on Sundays, but people with pay TV can usually see it on Aurora, Channel 173, at midnight, 3 a.m., 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. (or sometimes 3:30 p.m.) on Sunday or any other day of the week.

## St John's Centenary

We still have leaflets about next March's centenary celebrations at St John's School Dennington. Copies of the leaflets are available from the church pamphlet rack. Anyone is welcome to take one.

## New Envelopes

If you use envelopes for your contributions to the parish planned giving program and you haven't yet collected new envelopes from the foyer of the church, please take them home today after Mass. The contributions of generous givers are much appreciated.

### First Communion Gatherings This year's candidates for First Holy

Communion with at least one parent each, are invited to a gathering in the foyer of St Pius X Church at 7 p.m. on either Wednesday 24 July or Thursday 25 July. If it is impossible for a parent to attend, the child should be accompanied by an adult relation or friend.

## Thursday Bingo R.I.P.

With a heavy heart, we have to announce that Thursday night Bingo sessions in St Pius X Hall will come to an end on 1 August this year. Attendance has been falling away; we have been unable to pay winning players the advertised prizes and the rubric "if sufficient tickets sold" has had to be called on. When on-costs are taken into consideration, the parish has been making no profit, but rather a loss every Thursday. At this stage, we hope to continue Saturday afternoon Bingo at 1 p.m. but we need to ask support for those sessions at the weekend. It goes without saying that we are profoundly grateful to Mrs Lorraine O'Keefe for her dedication to St Pius X Bingo over more than 30 years.

## Anniversary

Bill Jansen

#### Thank You for Giving /tery Last Week: \$603.60

Presbytery Last Week:	\$603.60
Planned Giving June:	\$4,441.30
Amount Pledged:	\$6,015.00

## **Parish Office Hours**

From this week, Louise Dryburgh will no longer be at work in the parish office on Thursdays. Instead she will be here on Wednesdays. Her usual office hours, therefore will be 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. She has lunch between 12:30 and 1:30 p.m.



'Martha, Martha, you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed.'

## Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6.00 p.m. Pauline Haberfield 10 a.m. R. Brown

# **Prayers of the Faithful**

6.00 p.m.	C. Reid
10 a.m.	C. Harris

# Ministers of Communion

6 p.m.	N. Stapleton Pauline Eccles Peter Haberfield C. Murrihy
10 a.m.	D. Pasco B. Hogan F. Garvey A. Webster S. Malone A. Mills

# Local Sunday Masses

Sat.	<b>6 p.m.</b> 6 p.m.	St Pius X OLHC
Sun.	10 a.m.	OLHC St Pius X St Joseph's Allansford (1st, 3rd & 5th: Mass) Purnim
	11 a.m. 6 p.m.	(1st, 3rd & 5th lay-led) Purnim (2nd & 4th: Mass) St Joseph's

# Weekday Mass

Monday 22:	7:30 a.m. St Pius X
Tuesday 23:	5:45 p.m. St Pius X
Wednesday 24:	10 a.m. Dennington
Thursday 25:	10 a.m. Mercy Place
Friday 26:	9:15 a.m. St Pius X
Saturday 27:	10 a.m. St Pius X

## Confessions

Saturday mornings after Mass or when you can find Father Michael: No appointment necessary.