ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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PARISH STAFF: Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)

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: Tuesday: 10.00am (Requiem Mass: Ray Mugavin RIP)

Tuesday: 1.30pm (Requiem Mass: Lorraine Bolden RIP)

Thursday & Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

Deaths: Claire Ryan, Lorraine Bolden, Ray Mugavin, Leonie Cahill

Anniversaries: Lyn Van Rooy, Ray Mitchell, Cyril McNamara, Mary McNeil

Baptism: Next preparation evening is Wednesday 11th January at 7.30pm (Gathering

Space). Please book in at the Parish Office prior to the evening.

Defibrillator: The parish has been gifted with a Defibrillator. We are seeking volunteers who would be willing to learn how to use it. Please leave your name, or if you need further information, with Leanne (Parish Office).

Child Safety Standards: We have displayed the Child Safety posters and the Commitment Statement to Child Safety in the Gathering Space. The parish Safeguarding Officer, Anne Maree Mugavin, will speak to us on Sunday 22nd January

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of November

Parish: \$2,051.00 Pledged Amount: (per week) \$2,820 Presbytery: \$1,423.00

NB: Parish contribution consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debits

Mary, the Mother of God



May the God who has come amongst us in the Birth of Jesus Christ Bless you with Peace and Joy

Thank you to the **many parishioners** who assisted so generously in preparing the Church, the liturgy and the environment during the Season of Advent/Christmas. The Christmas Season continues to the Feast of the Epiphany (Sunday, 8th January). Thank you too for your friendship, support and ministry during 2016 and your good wishes at this time **(Fr John)**

Annual Christmas Appeal

"Our Christmas Appeal is one way by which the diocese can respond to the many communities from near and far who turn to us for assistance. Often theses requests come through people who have bonds with the diocese of Ballarat...I hope the Ballarat diocese can continue to support this particular appeal...Yours sincerely in Christ" (Bishop Paul Bird)

NB: This Appeal will be taken up at all Masses next weekend.

See Notice Board re where the 2015 Appeal was distributed.

New Offices: Parish staff moved into the new facilities during the week. We will advise you of an up-coming 'Open Day' followed by an official Opening by Bishop Paul Bird. You will also notice a few changes with the car parking. Please be careful as you exit the parking area onto Raglan Parade.