# ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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**PARISH STAFF:** Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)

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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: 1.30pm (Requiem Mass: Ian Slockwitch RIP)

Wednesday & Thursday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Friday: 10.00am Eucharist: (St Joseph's Primary School)

NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

**Deaths:** Ian Slockwitch, Claire Jackman (Melbourne), Paul Murphy, Jim Dowlin, Gerry O'Brien

Anniversaries: Geoff Currer, Bridie Ritchie, Ivan Ramirez, Greg Gleeson, Colleen Dobson, Kevin Brown, Tom Smith, Mary Jane Smith, Mick Earls, John Miers, Marie O'Brien, Megan O'Neill, Rita O'Flaherty, Alice & Jack Rowan, Jack Watson, Fred Toohey

**Baptism Preparation:** Next information evening is Wednesday 13th September at 7.30pm. Please book in to Parish Office prior to the evening

**Bereavement Group:** Tuesday 29th August at 4.00pm

**Rosary**: Celebrating 100 Years of Fatima. Join in saying the Rosary on the Civic Green 14th October at 11.00am

#### **Stewardship - Finances**

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of July Parish: \$2,288.00 Pledged Amount: (per week) \$2,820 Presbytery: \$1,248.00

NB: Parish contributions consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debit

# 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Migrant & Refugee Sunday

**Pope Francis reminds us that:** "Migration today is not a phenomenon limited to some areas of the planet. It affects all continents and is growing into a tragic situation of global proportions. Not only does this concern those looking for dignified work or better living conditions, but also men and women, the elderly and children, who are forced to leave their homes in the hope of finding safety, peace and security...."

Let us **celebrate** the **cultural diversity** of our nation and especially to consider the plight of the many who have fled their homelands in fear.

There is memorabilia from various countries on display this weekend.

**Refreshments** follow the 10.30am Mass.

**Thank you** to the parishioners for your involvement in this annual celebration.

### First Eucharist

Thank you to all involved in preparing the children for First Eucharist. It is important that we, but **especially the parents**, continue to support the children in modelling the Christian life for them.

Parents are reminded of the commitment they made at the beginning of their child's formal preparation:

Fr John: Will you (the parents) continue to nourish your own faith by regularly hearing and reflecting on the Word of God, receiving his Body & blood and living out the values of the gospel?

Parents: We will

# Warrnambool Organ Festival

Next weekend (1st September - 3rd September): Acclaimed organists: Martin Setchell, Anthony Halliday, Dominic Perissinotto & Craig Doherty. Also featuring local Musicians, young Organ Scholarship players and local Dance students. Tickets: \$15, \$20, \$25 & \$65 (Festival pass) available Parish Office. Further information in Gathering Space

**Child Safety Standards:** St Joseph's Warrnambool and St Anne's Purnim have appointed **Anne Maree Mugavin** as our **Safeguarding Officer**. We have a Child Safety Policy to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children in our care. A Child Safety Code of Conduct has been adopted for all who work with children in the Parish.

**Regional Nativity Exhibition**: St Joseph's will host the Exhibition 9th-12th December. If you would like to be involved please contact Parish Office. Your ideas and assistance would be much appreciated.