ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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PARISH STAFF: Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)

Barry Wolff (Business Manager) Leanne McElgunn (Secretary)

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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 to Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

NB: If there is a funeral it replaces the Mass of the day

Deaths: Brian Gorman, Peg Kelleher

Anniversaries: Annie Lindsey. Julia Gleeson, Patricia McNamara, Doreen Lafferty,

Walter McDowall, Jean Wilkinson, Leo Francis Howard

Baptism: Julian Purcell is welcomed into God's Family this weekend

Cuppa: Our Family Groups will host a cuppa following each Mass next weekend

Year of Mercy: Jubilee Year of Mercy Prayer Cards are available (Gathering Space)

Early Notice: Family Groups are holding a fundraising evening in aid of South Sudan residents displaced by war. Thursday 10th March, 6.30pm at Capitol Cinema to view 'The Lady In The Van'. Tickets: \$15 Jim 0408 624 869 or Kay 5562 7024

World Day of Prayer: Friday 4th March 1.30pm at OLHC. This year's focus is on the country of Cuba. All welcome. Enquiries Joy (5562 3441)

Jesuit Missions: Maytime Fair raffle tickets \$10. Peter Jackman (0419 106 734)

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of January

Parish: \$2,512.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,413.00 NB: Parish contribution consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debits

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

SEASON of LENT

The Season of Lent is a time of prayer, self-denial and for helping others. In this way the whole Church prepares for the Great Feast of Easter.

❖ Please take home a **Project Compassion Box** or **Envelope** today

Stations of the Cross: All Fridays in Lent: 7.30pm (St Joseph's Church)

Communal Celebration of God's Mercy: Tuesday, 22nd March at 7.30pm

Easter Triduum: Mass of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday) at 7.00pm

Good Friday Ceremonies at 3.00pm

Easter Vigil: to be advised

Project Compassion: This year marks **50 years** of Project Compassion. Caritas Australia works with local partners around the world to provide vital learning and renewed hope to children, women & men most vulnerable to extreme poverty and injustice.

Week 2: With limited support services for children living with intellectual disabilities in Laos, **Duangmala** feared that her eight year old son, Hum Noy, would never reach his full potential because he has Down Syndrome. However, Hum Noy now has the chance to learn and thrive at a school for children with intellectual disabilities, supported by Caritas Australia.

Commissioning of the School Staff: The staff of our Primary School will be commissioned today at the 6.00pm Mass. We pray for God's blessing upon them and that will be faithful to their commissioning.

Fr John: Do you recognize the trust that is placed in you by the parents and parishioners of St. Joseph's Parish to develop the faith of the children under your care and help nurture them in the life of the Church? **Staff:** I do.

Loud Fence: Have you noticed the ribbons tied to St Joseph's Church fence? (Lava St). This is a way of expressing support for sex abuse victims and survivors by Church personnel. Further information on facebook.com/loudfence

The Lord's Prayer: When we pray the "Our Father' as Mass, parishioners are most welcome to raise their hands in prayer.

St Gregory's Heywood: 150th celebrations 6th March. Mass at 5.00pm with Bishop Bird. Further enquiries Bev 5527 1559 or itis15@bigpond.com