# The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool Priest: Father Michael Linehan Phone: 5562 5033 email: warrnamboolwest@ballarat.catholic.org.au Postal address: c/- Post Office, Dennington Vic 3280 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au **13 December 2015** 3rd Sunday of Advent

# **Christmas Carols**

The end of year celebrations including presentations for St Pius X School will be held on 14 December from 7 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. in St Pius X Church. All welcome.

# **Nativity Exhibition**

An exhibition of Christmas cribs and Nativity Scenes will be held at St Joseph's Church today (Sunday) until after the 6 p.m. Mass.

### **Free Christmas Day Lunch**

This year's Community Christmas Lunch will be held on Christmas Day, Friday 25 December from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Warrnambool Uniting Church, Koroit Street (entrance via rear car park). It is important to register and you are asked to express your intention to join in either to Cath on 5561 4120 or to Mary on 0409 158 177 by Friday 18 December.

# Allansford Service & Carols

An ecumenical community service and carol singing will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Monday 21 December in the Allansford Uniting Church. All are welcome and the event will be followed by a shared picnic tea.

# Mary MacKillop Anniversary

The Portland community will be celebrating the anniversary of Mary MacKillop's 1866 departure from Portland on the weekend of 30-31 January 2016. More information on the notice board.

Pius X Hall, Morriss Road, to be distributed as follows if sufficient tickets sold: 1 x \$2,000. 1 x \$1,000. 1 x \$500. 1 x \$200. 26 x \$50. Tickets are only \$10 for 30 Games plus \$2 for "Big Bucks".

**Christmas Bingo at St Pius X** 

On Thursday 17 December there will be

total payouts of \$5,000 at the bingo in St

Eyes down 8 p.m. Doors open 6 p.m. Enquiries: Lorraine, 0407 329 793 **The Year of Mercy Logo** 



The logo for the Year of Mercy has been described by Billy Kangas, in these words. He says "It is based on the traditional style of icons. It has been designed this way to draw you into the imagery of the message that is being conveyed, a little odd, with a theological slant. The image is often spoke of as being written not just painted because it seeks to communicate something. I really love the new logo for the Year of Mercy. I think it's a great image and one that I would proudly display."

#### Anniversaries

Val Creece, Robert Roache, Tom Esam, Harry Rentsch & Harry Gore

# Thank You For Giving

Parish Stewardship Month of November: \$6,906.75 (Promised: \$6,071.00) Presbytery last week: \$661.70





Mass Rosters Next Week Readers		
		C. Reid L. Lane
Prayers of the Faithful		
	6 p.m. 10 a.m.	P. McGennisken M. Woodward
Ministers of Communion		
	6 p.m. 10 a.m.	Pauline Haberfield C. Murrihy K. Johnson J. Thornton G. McKenzie B. Houlihan M. McFarlane B. Hogan L. McElgunn F. Garvey
Local Sunday Masses		
Sat.	<b>6 p.m.</b> 6 p.m.	
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10 a.m.	St Plus X
10:30 a.m.	St Joseph's
10:30 a.m.	Allansford
	(1st, 3rd & 5th: Mass)
11 a.m.	Purnim
	(1st, 3rd & 5th lay-led)
11 a.m.	Purnim (2nd & 4th Mass)
6 p.m.	St Joseph's
	10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11 a.m. 11 a.m.

#### Weekday Masses

Monday 14: Tuesday 15: Wednesday 16: Thursday 17: Friday 18: Saturday 19: 7:30 a.m. St Pius X 7:30 p.m. St Pius X 10 a.m. Dennington 10 a.m. Mercy Place 9:15 a.m. St Pius X 10 a.m. St Pius X

## Confessions

After Mass on Saturday mornings or when you can find Father Michael. No appointment necessary.