ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

Parish Office: 5562 2231

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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land - The Gunditjmara People. We acknowledge their ancestors with respect & commit to working for reconciliation & justice.

PARISH STAFF: Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)

Fr John Corrigan (Assistant Priest) Tony Herbert (Business Manager)

Louise Dryburgh (Assistant Business Manager)

Leanne McElgunn (Secretary)

Pat Negri (Gardening/Maintenance)

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER Anne Maree Mugavin

We are a Child Safe Parish

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: Suspended until further notice

Mass Online: St Joseph's Parish Mass (8th Nov) can be viewed from 8.30am via:

YouTube - www.tiny.cc/joe3280

Deaths: Frank Murphy, 'Redda' Ryan, Eleanor Bourke, Tony Mansbridge

Anniversaries: Harry Lindsey, Nicholas Smith, Nicholas John Smith, Nick Lowne, Matthew NcNeil, Georgia Spetch, Anne Marie Seabright, Murt Murrihy

St Joseph's Church is open for private prayer 10.00am to 12noon (Monday to Friday)

E-News: The diocesan e-news is published every two weeks and distributed via email. If you wish to receive updates and information about the life and activity of the parishes and schools of the diocese please go to www.ballarat.catholic.org.au and click 'News & Events' to register

Caring for our Parish: St Joseph's Parish has joined with CDF (Catholic Development Fund-Ballarat) and CDF Pay where you can electronically make a one-off payment or set up a regular payment. You receive an electronic receipt for any payments made. Further information please contact Parish Office (Leanne).

The link for St Joseph's Parish is: https://ballarat.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=12

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of October Parish: 2,146.00 Pledged Amount: (per week) \$2,820 Parish contributions consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debit

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Book of Remembrance: We remember those who have died during the year (2020) as well as our loved ones who have passed from this world to eternal life.



The Bereavement Book is available in the Parish Office where you are invited to record the names of deceased family members and friends you wish to remember. You may also phone Parish Office for the names to be included.

Thank You: I wish to thank our volunteers (musicians, lectors, IT personnel) who gather each week, to ensure people remain connected with our faith tradition and each other with the recording of our Sunday Mass. (Fr John)

RCIA: This Thursday our RCIA catechumens, Tracy & Ellie O'Connell will celebrate the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. We welcome them into our community. Please hold them in your prayers as they commence their journey of faith in the Church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: At the beginning of the school year 48 Grade 6 students began their formal preparation for the sacrament of Reconciliation. This week they will finally celebrate the sacrament! Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

DOBCEL: Last Friday was the official signing of 'School Transfer Agreement' for our parish school's of St Joseph's and St Patrick's (Port Fairy and Koroit). The agreement is the transfer of governance from the parish priest to DOBCEL (Diocese of Ballarat Catholic Education Limited) effective 1st January 2021. The transfer is at a governance level and doesn't impact the day to day running of the school.



Catholic Care Victoria: Victoria's bishops have announced the merging of CatholicCare Melbourne and Gippsland, Centacare Ballarat and CatholicCare Sandhurst, to form a new entity, CatholicCare Victoria from January 1, 2021. Statements and further information is available from the diocesan website https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/catholic-care-victoria/

Cards: Tuesday cards have resumed at a different venue for the time being. Further information contact Parish Office or Trudy (0417 325 324)

Mercy Place: Fr Michael Linehan has accepted the invitation to celebrate Mass at Mercy Place for the residents only.

Plenary Council: As part of the ongoing journey for the Plenary Council, work has commenced on the preparation of the *instrumentum laboris*, or working document, for the Council. Fr Kevin Lenehan is part of the writing team. Further information at https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/next-step-on-plenary-council-journey/