### 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: Sunday: 8.30am-10.30am-6.00pm

Purnim: 11.00am (Eucharist on 2nd and the 4th Sundays)

(Assembly of Word with Communion on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays)

WEEKDAY LITURGIES: Wednesday & Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

**Deaths:** Michael Lenehan, Maureen O'Keeffe, Jayson Jayme (Philippines)

Anniversaries: Pat Smith, Robert Roache, James Smith, John Sheehan

**Email:** If you have an email address it would be appreciated if you could inform the Parish Office. It is most helpful in having your address for communication purposes as this year has shown.

**Last Mass:** The 10.00am Mass at St Pius Sunday 27th December will be **Fr Michael Linehan's** last Mass as the parish priest. A light morning tea will be served following the Mass. If you wish to share in this occasion please phone Karen (0447 838 747)

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: <a href="https://ballarat.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=12">https://ballarat.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=12</a>

#### **Stewardship - Finances**

**Stewardship:** Weekly average contributions for the month of November **Parish:** \$1,187.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 Parish contributions consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debit

# 3rd Sunday of Advent

# Welcome Parishioners & Visitors

Advent has a two fold purpose: to prepare for Christmas when Christ's birth is remembered and to await Christ's second coming at the end of time



As our 'doors' open up so that we may celebrate our faith again, there are still a few regulations to contend with in order to ensure a healthy environment for all.

- Signing in or using your phone to access the QR code
- Social distancing
- ♦ You are still encouraged to wear your mask

#### Christmas Mass Times

**24th December** (Thursday)

5.00pm & 8.00pm

8.00pm at Purnim

25th December (Friday)

9.30am

Christmas Mass Ministries - Please consider being a minister of the Mass you will be attending. Please contact Leanne (Parish Office) if you can assist. *Thank you* 

St Anne's Purnim: Tony Herbert and I met with the Purnim Catholic Community on Wednesday evening. There was a very good attendance and much energy in continuing alternating the Eucharist with the Assembly of the Word each weekend. Fr Lawrie will be the celebrant for the Sunday Masses. Fr Bill van de Camp will be the celebrant at the Christmas Eve Mass at 8.00pm. I was most appreciative of the way the community were willing to take responsibility for what's to be done in continuing this small but important Catholic community. (Fr John F)

Community Christmas Day Lunch: This has always been a wonderful occasion but unfortunately it will not be held this year. We may be able to help in another way, so if you would like further information please contact the Parish Office or Mary (0409 158 177)

**After-School Tutoring Program**: Seeking volunteers to help tutor primary school aged students in 2021. This will be based at St Pius or OLHC primary schools. Further information: Rebecca Janes 0447 156 690