ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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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)

Barry Wolff (Business Manager) Leanne McElgunn (Secretary) Pat Negri (Gardening/Maintenance)

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER Anne Maree Mugavin

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, Thursday & Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Wednesday: 5.30pm (Syro-Malabar Mass) with Fr Sajan

Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

Deaths: Greg Jayme (Philippines), Peggy O'Keefe (Wangoom/Glasgow)

Anniversaries: Teresa Howard, Jack Richardson, Les Dent, Gordon Dent, Br Kevin

Tuck

Wedding Bells: Congratulations and God's Blessing to Alexandra Hyland & Alex

Doueal on their wedding this weekend

Baptism: We welcome Millie Main into God's Family

Baptism Preparation: This Tuesday at 7.30pm. Please book in prior

Symphony of the Passion: Today, 2.30pm at Christ Church. This is a joint project of the Warrnambool & Hamilton Symphony Orchestras with special guest instrumentalists. Tickets \$30 at the door.

Meetings: Wednesday: Liturgy Committee at 5.30pm

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of March **Parish:** \$1,941.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,418.00

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

5th Sunday of Lent

HOLY WEEK

14 April: Passion (Palm) Sunday begins Holy Week

The palms symbolise Christ's triumph, while the cross is the symbol by

which his triumph is achieved.

15 April: Mass of Holy Oils at 6.30pm (St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat)

This Mass has special significance for those who will use the Blessed Oils

in 2019; the ordained, the sick, those to be baptised and confirmed

16 April: Communal Celebration of God's Mercy & Forgiveness at 7.30pm

Parishioners and visitors are invited:

to *hear* the Word of God to *examine* our conscience

to *repent* of our sins

to seek forgiveness of Almighty God

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

18 April: Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper (7.00pm)

NB: including the Reception of Oils & the Washing of Feet

19 April: Good Friday: Celebration of the Lord's Passion (3.00pm)

St Anne's Purnim: Stations of the Cross (11.00am)

20 April: Easter Vigil: 6.00pm (The Vigil begins with the Easter Fire)

21 April: Easter Sunday: 8.30am & 10.30am (NB: No 6.00pm Mass)

Week 5: Salma was featured in Project Compassion in 2013, when she was expecting her first child. Living in rural Bangladesh with her husband and two children Salma is thankful for the help of 'Safe Motherhood' program, where Caritas trained nurses and midwives have helped reduce the area's maternal and infant mortality by almost 70 percent. "We're poor, so it's easy to get discouraged about the future. However, if we have hope, we have the courage to try and do things that seem difficult or impossible at the time" Salma says.

"The future does have a name ... and its name is hope" - Pope Francis

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

Regional Retreat: 29th April to 25th May: This retreat is for men and women, young and old, married or single. It is designed for people just like you. The retreat allows you to continue your ordinary daily life with its usual round of going to work, caring for the family or whatever is the shape of your busy life. All you need is the desire to open yourself to God and the generosity to take some practical steps to find time for prayer. It will be led by Fr Edward Rwino sj (Tanzania). For more details: Mary Lancaster 0409 158 177 or marylanc@bigpond.com