ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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PARISH STAFF: Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)

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

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: Wednesday & Friday: 10.00am (Assembly of Word)

NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

Deaths: Leonard Lalor (Gisborne), Eva Pangrazio (Heathcote)

Anniversaries: Annie Lindsey, Jean Wilkinson, Christopher Doyle, Walter McDowall Francis McCarthy, Alphonsus McCarthy, Michael McCarthy

Baptism: We welcome Kariss Walag into God's Family this weekend

St Joseph's School Fair: Sunday 26th March: Donations of potted plants, cuttings, herbs, bulbs most welcome. For pick up or further information Jacinta (0407 504 779)

St John of God Auxiliary: Invitation to see movie 'Jackie', Thursday 2nd March 10.00am at Capitol Theatre. \$15 includes morning tea. Pat (5562 7200)

St Joseph's Play Group: Mums, dads, grandparents, carers and children are welcome to join Playgroup each Tuesday from 10.00am to 12 noon (Parish Hall). Enquiries please contact Lauren (0447 778 891) or Parish Office (5562 2231)

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of January **Parish:** \$2,105.00 **Pledged Amount**: (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery**: \$1,624.00

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

7_{TH} SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome to View!

Parishioners and visitors are **invited** to view the new and refurbished Hall and Offices following all Masses today.

A cuppa will be available hosted by the Family Groups

NB: The official Opening & Blessing will be Sunday 2nd April by Bishop Bird

Lenten Program

We are joining with Christ Church Anglican Parish again this year. The program runs from Monday 27th February during the weekdays of Lent.

You may wish to join a **reflection group** or use the booklet for **private reflection**.

A sign-up list showing available groups and further information can be found in the Gathering Space. Cost of booklet \$8.00

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

Fr John: Do you recognise 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

Reconciliation: Senior school students (Gr 6) at St Joseph's have begun formal preparation for the sacrament of Reconciliation. We ask you to keep the students and their families in your prayers.

Love Makes a Way: A movement of Christians seeking an end to Australia's refugee policies through prayer and nonviolent love in action. Love Makes a Way organises events and actions to publicly witness Australia's asylum seeker policies and to a better way. You are welcome to join us in praying for a better way. Contact Katherine (0459 615 564).

World Day of Prayer: Uniting Church, Friday 3rd March at 1.30pm. All welcome

Anglican Women's Guild: Invite parishioners to hear Fr Rene Knaap speak on his time at an archaeological dig in Rome. Tuesday, 21st February at 2.00pm in the Hammond Centre, Christ Church. \$10 includes Devonshire tea

Book 'Sale': There are a number of books on display, please feel free to take home

Clergy Retreat: Fr John is away on his annual retreat this week