## ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

Parish Office: 5562 2231 Fax: 5562 2230 E-mail: warrnambool@ballarat.catholic.org.au Diocesan website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

**PARISH STAFF:** Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)

> Barry Wolff (Business Manager) Leanne McElgunn (Secretary)

Brian Shanahan (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)

**Sunday:** 8.30am - 10.30am - 6.00pm **WEEK-END LITURGIES:** 

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

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

WEEK-DAY LITURGIES: Monday: 1.00pm (Requiem Mass: Brian Shanahan RIP)

Wednesday to Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

**NB:** A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

**Deaths:** Brian Shanahan, Sue Smyth, Evelyn Moloney

Anniversaries: Olga Ryan, Mary Shaw, Annie McKinnon, Noel Kelly, Gerald Healey Michael McElgunn

Baptism: We welcome into God's Family: Maisy Lumsden & Tessa Lehmann

**Baptism Preparation:** Wednesday 14th December, 7.30pm. Please book in to Parish Office prior to the evening.

Help: Are you willing to join a roster in taking communion to those in hospital at SouthWest Healthcare on a Sunday? Please see Fr John or Leanne (Parish Office).

**KSC:** Mass for deceased members and their families this Wednesday at 10.00am

## **Stewardship - Finances**

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of October

Parish: \$2,291.00 Pledged Amount: (per week) \$2,820 Presbytery: \$1,291.00

NB: Parish contribution consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debits

## FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

## Halls / Offices Refurbishment & Building

The completion of works is drawing closer and we thank you all for your patience.

Constant wet weather has hindered progress with external works. We hope that the worst of the weather is past and that the workers can complete their tasks.

It is planned that we will have an 'Open Day' so that all parishioners can see the benefits of this major building program.

Brian Shanahan RIP. We are very saddened by the death on Tuesday evening, of Brian. He was a member of our Parish Staff, employed as the gardening/ maintenance person. He will be sadly missed by many. Our thoughts are with Judy and family at this time. In God's care. Rest in Peace.

Nativity Exhibition: 10th & 11th December: Last year's local exhibition was a success and we would like to build on that this year. Do you have an interesting, beautiful, old, new, small, large nativity scene to display? Please contact Parish Office if you would like to be involved and/or assist on the day.

'Sister-Churches': Interested in contributing to a registry of churches and parishes that are special to you? Perhaps a church where you were baptised, somewhere you and your family worshipped in times past or a church you spent time in while travelling. With this registry we can begin the process of reaching out to people and places, inviting an exchange of information and prayer and celebrating the diversity of our community. Contact Paul Venzo pvenzo@hotmail.com or Parish Office.

The Diocesan Ecological Sustainability Group (ECOS): Parishes are encouraged to spread the word of Laudato Si: 'On care for our common home'. (Pope Francis, 2015."Good education plants seeds when we are young, and these continue to



bear fruit throughout life" (LS 213). By encouraging our children to care for God's creation as they demonstrate respect for animals, plants and each other, our future is being placed in loving hands.

Advent & Christmas Reflections: The Diocese of Wollongong has published a pocket sized book to help remind us of the 'reason for the season'. It contains daily reflections from the beginning of Advent (27th Nov to 9th Jan). Order online at orders@dow.org.au or phone 02 4222 2400. Cost \$3 Further info in Gathering Space

**St John of God Auxiliary**: Selling raffle tickets this weekend (Gathering Space)

**Meetings: Tuesday:** Liturgy Committee at 5.00pm