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)

Fr John Corrigan (Assistant Priest)
Barry Wolff (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 4th Sundays)

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

WEEK-DAY LITURGIES: Wednesday & Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

Deaths:

Anniversaries: Ray Mugavin, Irvine Guy

New Year's Day: The Feast of Mary, the Mother of God. It is also the World Day of Peace. Mass will be celebrated at 10.00am (Wednesday) and all are invited to gather to ask God's blessing as we commence another year..

History: Archive Centre located in the Parish Office has numerous items & articles. Photo albums on the refurbishment of St Joseph's is located in the Gathering Space during the Christmas season

Clinical Pastoral Education: New CPE program begins February 2020. Further information and application contact Bernadette Wurlod (0455 033 321)

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of November **Parish:** \$1,795.00 **Pledged Amount**: (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery**: \$1,361.00 NB: Parish contributions consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debit

Feast of the Holy Family

MAY GOD WHO HAS COME AMONG US IN THE BIRTH OF JESUS CHRIST BLESS YOU WITH EVERY GOOD GIFT NOW AND ALWAYS



Thank you to the many parishioners who assisted so generously in preparing the Church, the liturgy and the environment during the Season of Advent and Christmas. The Christmas Season continues to the Baptism of the Lord (Sunday 12th January).

Thank you for your friendship and support during 2019 and your good wishes for 2020 (Fr John)

Annual Christmas Appeal

"Our Christmas Appeal is one way by which the diocese can respond to the many communities from near and far who turn to us for assistance. Often these requests come through people who have personal links with the diocese of Ballarat I comment the Christmas Appeal to you and your parishioners Yours sincerely in Christ" **Bishop Paul Bird**

The Christmas Appeal will be taken up at all Masses next Sunday (2nd collection) See Notice Board re where the 2018 Appeal money was distributed.

Rite of Welcome: Today (8.30am) Tracy O'Connell is welcomed into the Catechumenate as she commences her formation in becoming a Catholic at Easter.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - 2020: A wonderful opportunity to visit Petra, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, the Dead Sea and many other places. The pilgrimage is being led by Fr John Fitzgerald, 28th May to 10th June. Brochure & booking form available from Parish Office or contact info@harvestjourneys.com

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