ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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PARISH STAFF: Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)

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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, Wednesday & Thursday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Friday: 10.00am (St Joseph's School Mass) **NB**: A funeral replaces the Mass of the day

Deaths: Frances Walker, John O'Donnell, Fr Peter McGrath CP (Founder of the Passionist Family Group Movement), Judy Reed, Patricia Gleeson (Koroit)

Anniversaries: Anne Kelly, Eileen Delahenty, Stuart Nicolson

Wedding Bells: Congratulations and God's Blessing on Brendan Gherashe & Sarah Parsons on their wedding this weekend

Baptism Preparation: This Wednesday at 7.30pm. Please book prior to the evening

St Vincent de Paul: Looking for a couple of hours of your time on a Friday morning to help with cleaning & making beds. Further enquiries to Jack Daffey (5562 2372)

Volunteer with Palms Australia: Schools, clinics and community organisations in the Pacific, Asia & Africa seek volunteers to share their skills with our global family, to help reduce poverty and make a fairer world. Further information at www.palms.org.au/volunteer or Christine (02 9560 5333)

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of February **Parish:** \$2,040.00 **Pledged Amount**: (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery**: \$1,319 .00 NB: Parish contributions consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debit

Fourth Sunday of Lent

SEASON OF LENT

The Season of Lent is a time of prayer, self-denial and for helping others. In this way the whole Church prepares for the Feast of Easter.

Project Compassion: Through your generosity to Project Compassion, you are empowering young people to build a just future for themselves, their families and their communities. A *Just Future* has started with your support.

Week 4: Evangeline featured in Project Compassion 2016, in the Northern Territory. She was employed by the Caritas Australia supported Djilpin Arts and quickly rose to the role of Senior Artsworker. Her career has flourished. Her work at Djilpin Arts contributes to its success, whilst providing training and opportunities for other young people in the community.

"Let unifying love be your measure; abiding love your challenges; self-giving love your mission!" - Pope Benedict XV1

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

Anointing Mass: Thursday, 22nd March at 2.00pm

Scrutinies: These are special liturgical Rites celebrated during Lent for adults who are preparing to be baptised or received into the Church at Easter. Lent is a time when we are called to examine (scrutinise) our minds and hearts. Today **Kellie Mentha** celebrates the Second Scrutiny.

St Joseph's Primary School

St Joseph's School Fair: *Sunday 25th March*: 10.00am to 3.00pm. Devonshire tea. Bbq, pizza, show bags, cake stall, farmers market, plants, rides, raffles something for everyone. All welcome

Funerals: It has come to my attention over a number of months that quite a few regular worshippers who die are not given a Requiem Mass by their family. I suggest that you might consider making a note in your Will if you desire a Requiem Mass as you depart this life to eternal life. (Fr John)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: This Thursday at 5.30pm (Grade 6 students)

Child Safe Parish: St Joseph's is a Child Safe Parish.

In Victoria children are kept safe:

Current child protection law within the Child, Youth & Families Act 2005

New criminal offences within the Victorian Crimes Act

Government standards and policies

Diocesan and Parish policies and practices.

Meetings: Wednesday: Liturgy Committee at 5.30pm