ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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 PARISH STAFF:
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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 & Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist) Thursday: 2.00pm (Anointing Mass) Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

Deaths: Joy Irvine, Fr Paul Gardiner SJ (Penola), Mavis Campbell, Jim Rea

Anniversaries: Margaret Daffy, Jan Anderson, Leo & Teresa Howard, Les Jones, Tom Ritchie, Mick McKinnon, John Grayson, Peter Carey, Coral Harney, Les Dent, Gordon Dent, Julie Shanley, Tony & Margaret Clancey

Autumn Clean: Kitchen area of Gathering Space. This Thursday from 8.30am. Help would be appreciated (5562 2231).

Rural Australians for Refugees: Film screening 'Constance on the Edge' this Wednesday 7.30pm in the Mozart Hall. \$15 includes supper. Tickets at door or Jane (0437 671 228). Proceeds to aid South Sudan

Thankyou: Movie night for 'Ruben' raised \$2,120. Monies raised will go directly to the Ruben Centre (Josie Long)

Jesuit Missions: Car raffle tickets: \$10 from Peter Jackman (5562 1492)

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of February **Parish:** \$1,984.00 **Pledged Amount**: (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery**: \$1,468.00

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

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Opening & Blessing of St Joseph's Refurbished Parish Centre Next Sunday at 2.30pm by Bishop Paul Bird All Welcome

SEASON of LENT

Project Compassion: 'Love your neighbour': Pope Francis encourages us to reflect on God's mercy to "re-awaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty...." (Homily: October 4, 2015)

Week 4: We meet Nguyet this week who lives in Vietnam. Nguyet was isolated as a result of her severe disabilities, until a Caritas Australia supported program offered her education, creative outlets and community interaction, and strengthened her parents skills and support networks.

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

Dates to Keep in Mind

March 30th (Thursday) at 2.00pm: Anointing Mass

April 2nd (Sunday) at 2.30pm : Opening & Blessing of the New Offices. All invited

April 11th (Tuesday) at 7.30pm: Communal Celebration of God's Mercy

Liturgy Formation: Because of the Bishop's commitments the date has moved from the 7th May to Sunday, 23rd July

St Joseph's Primary School

School Fair: *Today:* 10.00am to 3.00pm: Cake Stall, 2nd hand books, Show Bags, Fill-a-Basket, Devonshire tea & coffee, bbq, pizza, fun activities & rides, raffles Something for everyone.

Parish Visitation Co-ordinator: Siobhan Dunphy has been employed part-time to connect with parishioners who are socially 'isolated' from their parish community due to age, illness or disability etc. If you know of anyone who would appreciate a visit please contact the Parish Office.

Ministers Breakfast (Ecumenical): This Wednesday at 7.30am St Joseph's are hosts to the Ministers of the various Christian Churches of the Warrnambool region (Parish Hall). Cooking breakfast will test Fr John!