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:Monday: 6.30pm (Mass of Holy Oils: Ballarat)
Tuesday: 7.30pm (Communal Celebration of God's Mercy)
Wednesday: 10.00am (Eucharist)
Easter Triduum: (see following page)

Deaths: Br Kevin Tuck cfc, Alan Bone (Kennedy's Creek)

Anniversaries: Jack & Molly McGrath, Shane McGrath, Jack Richardson, Danny Moloney, Carmel Malone, Pat Harney

Wedding Bells: Congratulations and God's Blessings to Belinda Smith & Ben Herde

Palm Sunday: The crosses that will be blessed today were created by students from St Joseph's school & a Lenten Reflection Group. Thank you to all

Divine Mercy Sunday: Invitation for Prayer at St Pius Church Sunday, April 23rd 2.30 - 4.00pm. Please bring a plate to share. Further details Maureen (0438 613 212)

Project Compassion Boxes: These can be returned on Holy Thursday night or as soon as possible. Thank you

Good Friday: This is a day of fast and abstinence

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of February **Parish:** \$2,575.00 **Pledged Amount**: (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery**: \$1,400.00

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

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

HOLY WEEK

This is the most significant week of the church's year in which we journey, as a faith community, through days of triumph and tragedy to the new life in Christ.

Passion (Palm) Sunday begins Holy Week The palms symbolise Christ's triumph, while the cross is the symbol by which his triumph is achieved

10 April: **Mass of Holy Oils** at 6.30pm (St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat) This Mass has special significance for those who will use the Blessed Oils in 2017: the ordained, the sick, those to be baptised and confirmed

11 April: Communal Celebration of God's Mercy & Forgiveness at 7.30pm

(Tuesday) Parishioners and visitors are invited: to *hear* the Word of God to *examine* our conscience to *repent* of our sins to *seek* forgiveness of Almighty God

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

- **13 April: Holy Thursday**: Mass of the Lord's Supper (7.00pm) NB: (including the Reception of Oils & the Washing of Feet)
- 14 April: Good Friday: Celebration of the Lord's Passion (3.00pm) St Anne's Purnim: Stations of the Cross (11.00am)
- 15 April: Easter Vigil: 6.00pm (The Vigil begins with the Easter Fire)
- 16 April: Easter Sunday: 8.30am & 10.30am (NB: No 6.00pm Mass) Easter Sunday: 11.30am (St Anne's Purnim)

It is hoped as many parishioners as possible participate in the above liturgical celebrations that lie at the **heart** of our faith. The celebration of the **Easter Triduum** is the culmination of the entire liturgical year.

ECUMENICAL PRAYER: HOLY WEEK

10 April (Monday):Uniting Church at 7.30pm: Holy Week Prayer11 April (Tuesday):St Joseph's at 7.30pm: Celebration of God's Mercy12 April (Wednesday):Christ Church at 7.30pm: Holy Week Prayer

Way of the Cross: Good Friday at 11.00am. Walk will commence at Cannon Hill and will link up with other participants at Lake Pertobe car park (eastern end).

Good Friday Collection: Annual collection for the upkeep of the Holy Places as well as for the pastoral & social works of the Church in the Holy Land.