

# The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool  
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4th Sunday of Lent

## Project Compassion

*"We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he meant us to live it." Eph 2:10*

Evangeline is a proud young Ramingining woman living in the small community of Beswick (Wugularr) in the Northern Territory. Like many remote First Australian communities, Beswick faces a range of complex ongoing challenges, and many people in the town feel disempowered by poorly conceived policies and decisions.

The community-owned Djilpin Arts Ghunmarn Culture Centre is supported by Caritas Australia's Development of Cultural Enterprise program. It brings together Elders and young people, like Evangeline, so new generations can learn traditional skills and understand cultural knowledge through sharing art, storytelling, dance and song – practices that are central to traditional culture.

Now a Senior Artswoker, Evangeline is committed to helping her community stay connected to its culture. "Culture is our identity and how we understand ourselves," she explains. "It's important for us young people to be able to learn these skills and then we can pass them on when we are old.

You are helping us to keep our culture alive."

## Pope's Prayer Intention for March

Persecuted Christians: That those Christians who, on account of their faith, are discriminated against or are being persecuted, may remain strong and faithful to the Gospel, thanks to the incessant prayer of the Church.

## St Mary's Jubilee Mass

St Mary's College, University of Melbourne, will acknowledge 50 years on Swanston St and the Loreto Sisters' leadership of the College (1918 – 2013) with a Jubilee Mass to be celebrated by Archbishop Hart at the Chapel of the Holy Spirit at Newman College, 887 Swanston St, Parkville commencing at 3 p.m. on Sunday 13 March, followed by a Garden Party in the St Mary's Courtyard. The Musical Directors are Ms Fiona Dyball & Sr Deirdre Browne ibvm. Alumni, friends and supporters of St Mary's are all warmly invited. RSVP for catering purposes to the College on 9349 9555 or [secretary@stmarys.unimelb.edu.au](mailto:secretary@stmarys.unimelb.edu.au)

## 24 Hours for the Lord

Thank you to the Parishioners who spent some prayerful time in our Blessed Sacrament Chapel for the 24 Hours for the Lord.

## Recent Death

Judith 'Anne' Jewell

## Anniversaries

Herman Bakker

## Thank You For Giving

Planned Giving February:\$4490.50

Pledged:\$6071.

Presbytery last week:\$660.00

Project Compassion:\$235.00

## Senior Parishioners' Mass

The next Senior Parishioners' Mass will be at Mercy Place on Thursday 10 March at 10 a.m. It will be followed by morning tea, All welcome.

## St V de P Lenten Appeal

The customary St Pius X Lenten Appeal is being organised again this year by the parish conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul. You are asked to contribute the following goods on the named weekends:

12-13 March

Tea/Coffee

19-20 March

Tinned Soup

## Mass of the Oils

The Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 6:30 p.m. on Monday 21 March. At this Mass we celebrate the unity and ministry of the ordained priests of our Diocese in the midst of the entire priestly People of God. The Mass also has special significance for those who will use the holy oils in 2016 - the sick and those to be baptised and confirmed. All members of the Diocese are invited to participate in this celebration which endeavours to express the unity of the Diocesan Church. Anyone who would like to take a role in the Mass - Ushers, Readers, Oil Bearers, Participants in the Presentation of the Gifts, Musicians etc - is asked to contact Father Michael.

## Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m.

C. Reid

10 a.m.

B. Ermacora

## Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m.

P. McGennicken

10 a.m.

L. Ermacora

## Ministers of Communion

6 p.m.

G. McKenzie

L. O'Keefe

N. Russell

C. Murrhly

Peter Haberfield

10 a.m.

B. Houlihan

M. McFarlane

B. Hogan

P. McElgunn

M. Murhpy

## Local Sunday Masses

Sat.

6 p.m.

6 p.m.

St Pius X

OLHC

Sun.

8:30 a.m.

9 a.m.

St Joseph's

OLHC

10 a.m.

St Pius X

10:30 a.m.

St Joseph's

10:30 a.m.

Allansford

(1st, 3rd & 5th: Mass)

11 a.m.

Purnim

(1st, 3rd & 5th lay-led)

11 a.m.

Purnim (2nd & 4th Mass)

6 p.m.

St Joseph's

## Weekday Masses

Monday 7:

7:30 a.m. St Pius X

Tuesday 8:

7:30 p.m. St Pius X

Wednesday 9:

10 a.m. Dennington

Thursday 10:

10 a.m. Mercy Place

Friday 11:

9:15 a.m. St Pius X

Saturday 12:

10 a.m. St Pius X

## Confessions

After Mass on Saturday mornings or when you can find Father Michael. No appointment necessary.