

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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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: **Wednesday to Friday:** 10.00am (Eucharist)
Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

NB: If there is a funeral it replaces the Mass of the day

Deaths: Thelma Lynch, Bridget Bourke

Anniversaries: Peter Carey, Noreen McCarthy, Luisa Duggan, Sheila Williams, Albert Stainsby, John Brown, Jim O'Neill, Ann Sinatore

Wedding Bells: Congratulations and God's Blessings to Ashleigh Crump and Nicholas Curtin on their wedding this weekend.

Baptism Preparation: Wednesday 11th May at 7.30pm (Gathering Space). Please book into Parish Office prior to the evening.

Children's Liturgy: Next Sunday (1st May) at 6.00pm Mass

Hospitality: All are welcome stay for a cuppa following each Mass today hosted by the Parish Family Groups.

Emmanuel College: Information Evening: Wednesday, 27th April 7.30pm
McCauley Campus (Ardlie St)

Open Day: Sunday May 1st from 1.00pm

Tours: Bookings with Registrar Margaret Moloney 5560 0888

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of March

Parish: \$2,958.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,495.00

NB: Parish contribution consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debits

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Anzac Day

A day of **reflection** throughout Australia and New Zealand. A day when we **remember** the many who fell during the First World War and all the wars that have followed. It is also a day to reflect on and pray for **peace** throughout our troubled world.

Racing Mass: This will be celebrated next Sunday at 10.30am. Refreshments will follow. Please bring a plate to share.

Publication: Last week **Pope Francis** published a new papal document called **Amoris Laetitia**, 'The Joy of Love: On Love in the Family'. The papal document also known as an 'Apostolic Exhortation' covers a wide range of topics related to marriage and family life. It is available on the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference website: www.catholic.org.au/synod-2015/home

Confirmation: Preparation begins shortly. Children attending a Government school and whose parents desire Confirmation for their child please contact Parish Office. The Parents Evening is on Tuesday, 10th May at 7.00pm.

Social Justice Group: The Warrnambool Catholic Social Justice Group has been reformed. Are you interested in participating in the Group? For further information phone Bob (0499 319 071) or see notice board.

Clifford Family Re-union: A warm welcome to the descendants of Bridget (McKenna) & Thomas Clifford who are with us today (10.30am Mass).

Consultors: Fr John will be in Ballarat this Tuesday for a Consultors' Meeting

'Moving Forward': Over the next few weeks we are highlighting an article 'Ten Commandments - child abuse recovery' written by a survivor who shares his wisdom as he reclaims his life.

Be accepting of a child's inability to control adults

Today you can do more to control the present

The choices you make can shape your future

The abuse happened. Beliefs made at that time by a child may be worth re-examining

You have the chance to make your future a better place

Need Help: Call Lifeline 13 11 14

Towards Healing 1800 816 030

Speak to a trusted person

Have faith in those you love and those who love you.