

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: **Monday:** 10.00am (Eucharist - Feast of the Assumption)
Wednesday: (Liturgy of Word with Communion)
Thursday & Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)
Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

Deaths: Olive Lane (Madden - Mt Gambier), Fr Brendan Davey

Anniversaries: Margaret Egan, Pat Conheady, Anne McKenna, Kath Dunne, William Primmer, Molly Kelson, John O'Sullivan (Purnim), Aleida Bakker, Patrick Lourey, Margaret Reid (Lourey), Christan Lourey

Baptism Preparation: Next information evening is Wednesday 14th September at 7.30pm. Please book in to Parish Office prior to the evening.

Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults: Anne Maree Mugavin has accepted the role of **Safeguarding Officer** for our Parish. This role is to ensure the Code of Conduct policies developed by the Ballarat Diocese will be adhered to.

First Eucharist: A number of children from our Parish are preparing to receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist. Their photos are displayed in the Gathering Space. First Eucharist will be celebrated 28th August.

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of July

Parish: \$2,643.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,304.00

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

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Migrant & Refugee Sunday (21st August)

Let us celebrate the cultural diversity of our community.

You are invited to bring memorabilia of the country of your birth to display. These can be dropped off to the Parish Office during the week or the Gathering Space on Saturday. Please bring a plate to share, perhaps a 'special' dish from your homeland, following the 10.30am Mass.

Pope Francis.....'Migrants are our brothers and sisters in search of a better life, far away from poverty, hunger, exploitation and the unjust distribution of the planet's resources which are meant to be equitably shared by all.....'

'Migrants and Refugees challenge us: The Response of the Gospel of Mercy'

Parish Life: Each week we highlight one of our various committees/groups. This week is the **Musicians:** Tony Herbert, Lyn Hyland, Rodger Punch, Marg Lamb, Joe Ewing along with the support of their choirs, and Mary Lancaster (CD's).

World Youth Day: We welcome **Kristy Brown & Rebecca McGrath** who will share a few words with us on their recent experience in Krakow for WYD.

Fr Richard Leonard: (International Guest Speaker) will be holding a workshop: *What are we doing on earth for Christ's sake?* This will be looking at the pivotal question of mission and identity for a Catholic School. Fr Richard Leonard is a Jesuit priest who has studied extensively, lectured on faith and culture all over the world and is the author of nine books. This Wednesday 8.45am to 2.30pm at McAuley Hall (Emmanuel College). Further information & RSVP tmcinnes@emmanuel.vic.edu.au

Diocesan E-news: Interesting stories and information of what is happening in our Diocese can be found on the Diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Nativity Exhibition: *St Joseph's 10th & 11th December:* Last year's exhibition was a success and we would like to build on that this year. Do you have a nativity scene to display? Further information contact Parish Office.

Warrnambool Organ Festival: Six Events: Five Venues: Featuring internationally renowned organist Christopher Cook and local musicians. Tickets \$15, \$25 & \$65 (Festival Pass). Further information in Gathering Space

Accommodation: Korean lady is seeking accommodation with a family or individual. She has employment and is presently involved in our parish RCIA program i.e. preparing to join our catholic community. Contact Fr John

Meetings: Wednesday: Liturgy Committee at 5.30pm