

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 & Friday:** 10.00am (Eucharist)
Thursday: 10.00am (Mercy Place)
Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day.

Deaths: Fr Bob Markey, Viv Wines (Woodford), Ivan Sanderson, Agnes Nash (Bushell), Bill Tepass

Anniversaries: Peter Morriss, Lillian Peace Murphy, Pam Watson, Marie O'Brien, Jack & Vincent Miers, Ross McCann

Baptism Preparation: Information Evening this Wednesday at 7.30pm. Please book in to Parish Office prior to the evening.

A Good Read: enews@ballarat.catholic.org.au Check this website out for interesting articles and current news within our Diocese and beyond. An article this week is on one of our parishioners, **Catriona Campbell**, following Migrant & Refugee Sunday.

E-Conference: Mercy: *A Way of Being in the World* will commemorate the Jubilee Year of Mercy & take up Pope Francis' invitation to explore this central element of our faith. Tuesday, 20th September in Gathering Space.

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of August

Parish: \$2,676.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,488.00

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

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Child Protection Sunday

The images of child sexual abuse have continued to affect our entire community and diminish the trust some have placed in our Church. That trust has been further eroded when the institution has failed to appropriately respond to the victim's needs. The Catholic Church is in unique position to offer much within this focus of creating stronger communities, safer children. One such example can be seen in Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love: On Love in the Family), in which families and consequently communities are encouraged through love, strengthened by the virtues of generosity, commitment, fidelity and patience to become stronger more capable and more resilient. Stronger families and Church communities can help to keep our children safe.

Here at St Joseph's Parish we can see evidence of the strength of our community providing support, protection & opportunities to help keep our children safe through our Parish with the appointment of **Ann Maree Mugavin** as Safeguarding Officer, and the Wellbeing Programs provided at St Joseph's Primary School and Emmanuel College.

Ballarat Clergy Support Fund: Last year our parish contributed \$2,971.00 to this collection, which raised nearly \$54,000 throughout the Diocese. The collection in our parish this year has raised **\$1,445.00** to date. The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund relies on your generosity to enable it to continue supporting our sick and retired priests. You are still able to contribute, by using the special envelope provided, or in an envelope marked 'Ballarat Clergy Support Fund'.



Parish Life: Each week we highlight one of our various committees/groups. This week is the **Parish History Group:** Russell Anderson, Dorothy Earls, Mary Lancaster

Emmanuel College: The Emmanuel Centre is nearing completion and will be officially opened by Bishop Paul Bird on **Friday 18th November**. Many parishioners, past students, parents and friends of St Ann's, CBC and Emmanuel have dedicated a seat to this facility. There is still an opportunity to donate and have a plaque installed. Phone (5560 0847) or email seatappeal@emmanuel.vic.edu.au

Anglican Woman's Guild: Invitation to share Jenny Gent & Marilyn Woodward's adventure on walking the Portugese Camino. This Wednesday 2.00pm at Hammond Centre Christ Church. \$10 with Devonshire tea.

Meetings: Monday: Parish Sacramental Team at 4.00pm

Tuesday: Southern Zone Priests & Pastoral Ass: (St Joseph's 10am)