

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:** 11.00am (Requiem Mass: Joyce Best RIP)
Thursday: 10.00am (Mercy Place)
Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)
Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

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

Deaths: Tony Fitzgerald, Marg Vallence, Jack Hyland, Joyce Best

Anniversaries: Jack Mugavin (Purnim), Gertrude & William Ryan, Laurie Callaghan, Bess & Frank Houlihan, Des Jackman, Tom Woolley, Patricia Toleman

Wedding Bells: Congratulations and God's Blessings to Kristy Brown & Joel Haberfield on their wedding this weekend

Baptism Preparation: Next meeting is 12th October. Please book in to Parish Office prior to the evening.

Hospitality: Family Groups will be hosting a cuppa after all Masses next weekend

Communion to the sick: Thank you to those who take Communion to the sick and house-bound of the parish. If you know of anyone who would appreciate receiving Holy Communion please let Leanne know (Parish Office).

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

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

E-Conference on Mercy

A Way of Being in the World

To commemorate the Jubilee Year of Mercy & take up Pope Francis' invitation to explore this central element of our faith.

Speakers: **Archbishop Mark Coleridge:** Archbishop of Brisbane and member of the Pontifical Council for Social Communications

Sr Veronica Lawson rsm: Scripture scholar and author of the highly praised book, 'The Blessing of Mercy'

Mr Phil Glendenning: Director of the Edmund Rice Centre and President of the Refugee Council of Australia

This Tuesday 10.15am in Gathering Space. BYO lunch to share. Further information in Gathering Space. All welcome

Social Justice Sunday (25th September)

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday **next week**. The Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: '*A Place at the Table: Social Justice in an ageing society*'

The **Statement** celebrates the **value and dignity of older people** in Australian life. It challenges us to recognise their significant contribution to society and emphasises that this contribution should not be valued in mere economic terms. The **Statement** calls for justice for those who are most vulnerable and warns about a view of older people as burdensome or dispensable.

Further information: www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

Parish Life: Each week we highlight one of our various committees/groups. This week is the **Moving Forward Group:** Cate Dickson, Simone Rolfe, Marie Morgan, Marcia Nelson Hill, Merran Koren, Anna Schlooz, Mary Lancaster, Phil Dwyer, Frank O'Connor, Fr Pat Mugavin, Colleen Johnson

Ballarat Clergy Support Fund: The collection in our parish this year has raised **\$2,710.00** 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'.

Consultors: Fr John will be in Ballarat on Tuesday for the Consultors meeting

Meetings: Wednesday: Liturgy Committee at 5.30pm