

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

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

Deaths: Clem Healey (Bundaberg), Shae Johnson

Anniversaries: Leon Murphy, Kath Coombs, Kate Delahenty, Bert Mugavin (Purnim)
Margaret Butler, Annie Richardson, Joan Carey, Daniel Kelly, Jean Kelson

Baptism: Benjamin Parsons is welcomed into God's Family this weekend

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

Hospitality: Family Groups are hosting a cuppa after all Masses this 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

Ballarat Clergy Support Fund: \$2,920 Thank you

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Social Justice Sunday

Today we celebrate Social Justice Sunday. 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. The Bishops call for communities of mercy and love - where people reach out and minister to vulnerable older people, where bonds between generations are built up, and where no one is cast as being a burden or as rivals to younger generations.



Some Steps to creating *A Place at the Table*:

Give Thanks: for the gift of a long life, either for ourselves or for family

Get Informed: We are in a new moment in human history with many of us living longer. What are the implications for Australians?

Help our Parish include older people in the life of the Church: Arrange transport for Sunday Eucharist, bring communion to older people in their homes

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

Parish Life: Each week we highlight one of our various committees/groups. This week is the **Weekday Assembly Group Members:** Jenny Keegan, Russell & Veronica Anderson, Mary Lancaster, Audrey Lawson, Ben & Margaret van de Camp Rose Conheady, Frances Crowe, Sr Marie Mansbridge, Jessica Richardson, Joy Talbot, Sandra Laird, Leonie Sykes, Geraldine Carlin

Blessing of Offices & Parish Hall: Bishop Paul Bird will officially bless our new offices on Sunday 20th November. More details to follow.

Appointment: Bishop Paul Bird has informed parishes of the incardination of **Fr Anthony Nagothu** to the Diocese of Ballarat. Fr Anthony served with the Salesians in India before coming to Ballarat in November 2014. We pray that Christ will continue to guide Fr Anthony in his ministry as a priest of our Diocese.

Information Technology: As we come to these final stages of installation we are looking for volunteers to help run the IT to support our liturgies. If you are interested in being trained for this ministry or need further information please contact Parish Office

Meetings: Wednesday: Finance Committee at 12noon