

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)

NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

Deaths: Rita Finn

Anniversaries: Murt Murrhy, Catherine Ryan, John Carroll, Thelma & Harry Beard, Mark & Frank Carey, Greta O'Donohue

Baptism Preparation: Wednesday 14th December, 7.30pm. Please book in to Parish Office prior to the evening.

Help: Are you willing to join a roster in taking communion to those in hospital at SouthWest Healthcare on a Sunday? If you are able to help with this important ministry or need further information please see Fr John or contact Leanne (Parish Office).

Parish Notices/Anniversaries: If you wish to include an anniversary name on the Bulletin please call into the office or phone Leanne (5562 2231)

Publications: *Our Diocesan Community:* 50th edition (Gathering Space)

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of October

Parish: \$2,291.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,291.00

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

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

We remember those who have died during the year (2016) as well as our loved ones who have passed from this world to eternal life.

You are invited to record the names of deceased family members and friends you wish to remember. The **Book of Remembrance** is at the foot of sanctuary.



November Mass Offerings: Envelopes are available on your seat

Emmanuel College: Bishop Paul Bird will open and bless the new **Emmanuel Centre** this Friday at 11.00am

Blessing of Animals: Thank you to those who bought their animals/pets to the blessing on Friday evening.

Nativity Exhibition: 10th & 11th December: Last year's local exhibition was a success and we would like to build on that this year. Do you have an interesting, beautiful, old, new, small, large nativity scene to display? Please contact Parish Office if you would like to be involved and/or assist on the day.

'Sister-Churches': Interested in contributing to a registry of churches and parishes that are special to you? Perhaps a church where you were baptised, somewhere you and your family worshipped in times past or a church you spent time in while travelling. With this registry we can begin the process of reaching out to people and places, inviting an exchange of information and prayer and celebrating the diversity of our community. Contact **Paul Venzo** pvenzo@hotmail.com or Parish Office.

The Diocesan Ecological Sustainability Group (ECOS): Parishes are encouraged to spread the word of *Laudato Si*: 'On care for our common home'. (Pope Francis, 2015). "Let us sing as we go. May our struggles and our concern for this planet never take away the joy of our hope" (LS 244). Although we must be concerned about what is happening to our planet – we must also enjoy and thank God for all that has been created – we must never lose hope in human kind.

Advent & Christmas Reflections: The Diocese of Wollongong has published a pocket sized book to help remind us of the '*reason for the season*'. It contains daily reflections from the beginning of Advent (27th Nov to 9th Jan). Order online at orders@dow.org.au or phone 02 4222 2400. Cost \$3 Further info in Gathering Space

St John of God Auxiliary: Selling raffle tickets next weekend (Gathering Space)

Meetings: Tuesday: Consultors Meeting & Council of Priests (Ballarat)

Wednesday: Finance Committee at 12noon