

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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PARISH STAFF: Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)
Barry Wolff (Business Manager)
Leanne McElgunn (Secretary)
Pat Negri (Gardening/Maintenance)

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, Wednesday & Friday:** 10.00am (Eucharist)
Thursday: 6.00pm Grade 6 Graduation Mass

NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

Deaths: Dick Price, Joanne Elford (Qld)

Anniversaries: Jill Kelly, Vic Kelson, Mary McKinnon (Wangoom), Mary O'Keefe

Baptism: Arlo Baker & Lincoln Pickford are welcomed into God's Family today

Welcome: We warmly welcome Pat Negri on to our Parish staff. Pat takes on the role of gardening and maintenance. Please make yourselves known to him during these coming weeks (Fr John).

Liturgy Roster: Available in Gathering Space or please check your email

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

Meetings: Wednesday: Pastoral Leadership Team at 5.00pm

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Advent has a **two-fold** purpose:

To **prepare** for Christmas when Christ's birth is remembered
To **await** Christ's second coming at the end of time



Refugee Christmas Envelopes: Your generosity to this appeal helps buy food for refugees which is distributed from the Asylum Seekers Resource Centre in Footscray by the Sisters of Mercy

St Vincent de Paul: envelopes available for the needs of the local community

Dates to Keep in Mind

15th December (Thursday): 2.00pm Anointing Mass

20th December (Tuesday): 7.30pm Celebration of God's Mercy & Forgiveness

Christmas Mass Times

24th December (Saturday)

5.00pm at St Joseph's School (All welcome)

7.00pm & 9.00pm St Joseph's Church

8.00pm St Anne's Purnim

25th December (Sunday)

8.30am & 10.30am St Joseph's Church

Nativity Exhibition: *10th & 11th December:* Please help build on the success of last year's Exhibition. Do you have a Nativity Scene to share with us? The Nativity can be small or large, old or new, simple or elaborate. If your Nativity Scene has a 'story' please share that too.



Your Nativity Scene can be dropped off in the Gathering Space this Friday between midday and 4.30pm or contact Parish Office (5562 2231) to organise another time.

Please visit the Exhibition over the weekend to see the displays and have a go at the Nativity jigsaw.....it would be great to finish it this year!

Christmas Day Lunch: Christmas is a time for sharing with family and friends, but for some this is not possible. Come and join us on Christmas Day 12noon to 1.30pm at the Warrnambool Uniting Church. Bookings essential: Cath (5561 4120) or Mary (0409 158 177)