

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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PARISH STAFF: Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)
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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: Chris Reilly, Fr Joe McMahon (Melbourne)

Anniversaries: Des Delahenty, Joe Delaney, Angela Buckle, Tom O'Toole, Fr Leo Lane, Mary Goggin

Baptism Preparation: The next evening is Wednesday 8th February at 7.30pm. Please book in to Parish Office prior to the evening

Clergy Appointment: Bishop Paul Bird has appointed Fr Matthew Thomas as Parish Priest of the parish of Swan Hill

Resources: The Diocesan Resource Centre has a wide range of resources that can be borrowed free by groups or individuals in parishes. There are books, music and dvd's on many topics including Sacraments, Lent, Pope Francis, Social Justice and resources for children. Further information on the Diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or phone 5337 7149

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of December

Parish: \$3,166.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$2,097.00

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

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Australia Day Awards

We congratulate **Vicki Jellie** 'Australia's Local Hero' in recognition of her work in helping bring cancer services to south west Victoria and **Sr Anne Gardiner AM** 'Senior Australian of the Year' for helping connect cultures and celebrating aboriginal heritage.

Presentation of the Lord: Blessing of candles at 10.00am Mass this Thursday. This feast has for hundreds of years been called 'Candlemas'. Whenever we are talking of candles, in a Christian context, we are talking of Christ 'the light of the world'. The high-point of our liturgical year is Easter, with its new fire and its new Paschal Candle. You are invited to bring candles to Mass to be blessed on Thursday.

Meetings: Wednesday: Pastoral Leadership Team @ 5.00pm

Stewardship Program: New sets of **Envelopes** with **Statements** are available today. For those who pay by Direct Debit or Credit Card please advise Parish Office if you require a Statement. Also, if you have lost or misplaced your envelopes a new set can be arranged.

As we commence another year, this may be an opportunity to invite those **not involved** in the Program to consider joining. You may be new to the Parish or you may be a parent of a student at St Joseph's School or Emmanuel College and this may be an opportunity to think about financially supporting our Parish. **(Fr John)**

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Following Fr John's invitation you can join the Program through the envelope system or by direct debit or credit card. If you need further information please don't hesitate to contact Parish Office. Thank you **(Leanne)**

**Name** .....

**Address** .....

**Phone No(s)** .....

**Email** .....

**Envelopes ( )                      Direct Debit ( )                      Credit Card ( )**

Please place on the collection plate or contact Parish Office (5562 2231) Thank you