

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, Thursday & Friday:** 10.00am (Eucharist)
(Ash) **Wednesday:** 10.00am & 6.00pm (Eucharist & Ash)
Wednesday: 2.00pm (St John of God)
Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

Deaths: Peter Crowe, Maureen Dugan (Corryong), John Vogels, Louise Sheba

Anniversaries: Anne Jewell, John Looney, Patricia McNamara, James & Mary McKinley (Lee), Gerard Kelly

Baptism Preparation: Next preparation evening is Wednesday 8th March, 7.30pm in the Gathering Space. Please book in prior to the evening (Parish Office).

St Joseph's School Fair: Sunday 26th March: Donations of potted plants, cuttings, herbs, bulbs most welcome. For pick up or further information Jacinta (0407 504 779)

St John of God Auxiliary: Invitation to see movie 'Jackie', this Thursday 10.00am at Capitol Theatre. \$15 includes morning tea. Pat (5562 7200)

St Joseph's Play Group: Mums, dads, grandparents, carers and children are welcome to join Playgroup each Tuesday from 10.00am to 12 noon (Parish Hall). Enquiries please contact Lauren (0447 778 891) or Parish Office (5562 2231)

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of January

Parish: \$2,105.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,624.00

NB: Parish contributions consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debit

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEASON of LENT

Lent commences this **Wednesday** with **Mass** and the **Distribution of Ash**.

Mass times: Ash Wednesday: 10.00am: 2.00pm (St John of God) & 6.00pm

The Season of Lent is a time of prayer, self-denial and for helping others. In this way the whole Church prepares for the Great Feast of Easter.

~ **Ash Wednesday** is a day of **fast and abstinence**

~ Please take home a **Project Compassion Box** or **Envelope** today

Stations of the Cross: All Fridays in Lent: 7.30pm (St Joseph's Church)

Communal Celebration of God's Mercy: Tuesday, 11th April at 7.30pm

Easter Triduum: Mass of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday) at 7.00pm

Good Friday Ceremonies at 3.00pm

Easter Vigil: 7.00pm

Lenten Program

We are joining with Christ Church Anglican Parish again this year. The program runs from Monday 27th February during the weekdays of Lent.

You may wish to join a **reflection group** or use the booklet for **private reflection**.

A sign-up list showing available groups and further information can be found in the Gathering Space. Cost of booklet \$8.00

Rite of Naming: This weekend Xiaodong (Lucy) Zhu will have her name inscribed in the Naming Book. The Book will be presented to Bishop Paul Bird next Saturday at the Rite of Election in Ballarat.

Love Makes a Way: A movement of Christians seeking an end to Australia's refugee policies through prayer and nonviolent love in action. Love Makes a Way organises events and actions to publicly witness Australia's asylum seeker policies and to a better way. You are welcome to join us in praying for a better way. Contact Katherine (0459 615 564).

World Day of Prayer: Uniting Church this Friday at 1.30pm. All welcome

Diamond Jubilee: Congratulations to Brother Brian Kelly on his 60 years with the Christian Brothers. Brian recently returned to Warrnambool to retire at Lyndoch.