

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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PARISH STAFF:

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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)

Deaths: Tony van Kempen

Anniversaries: Stuart Nicolson, Cecelia O'Keefe, Roy O'Keefe, Jim Lenehan, Robert McKinnon, Leanne Bidmade

Wedding Bells: Congratulations to Sheree Cahill & Pat Kearns on their wedding

Movie Night for Ruben: Non-profit organisation run by Christian Brothers offering education, health care, social services, training for thousands of people living in slums of Africa. Director: **Br Frank O'Shea** <http://www.rubencentre.org>. Movie is Oscar Best Picture: Moonlight. Monday 20th March 7.00pm Tickets \$20 (conc \$15) from Emmanuel College Office or Josie (0429 208 511)

Jesuit Missions: Car raffle tickets: \$10 from Peter Jackman (5562 1492)

Passionist Family Group: Invitation from State Team members to farewell Directors, Maree & Bernard Metcalfe. Saturday April 1st at St Francis Xavier Church Montmorency. RSVP pfgm.victas@gmail.com

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of February

Parish: \$1,984.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,468.00

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

SEASON of LENT

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.

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

Project Compassion: 'Love your neighbour': Pope Francis encourages us to reflect on God's mercy to "re-awaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty, and to enter more deeply into the heart of the Gospel where the poor have a special experience of God's mercy" (Homily: October 4, 2015, Feast of St Francis).

Week 2: For Martina in **Timor-Leste**, Caritas Australia's Protection Program offers far more than just shelter from domestic violence. She now has a network of support services and a small business, and her children's future is secure.

Dates to Keep in Mind

March 30th (Thursday) at 2.00pm: Anointing Mass

April 2nd (Sunday) at 2.30pm : Opening & Blessing of the new Offices. All invited

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

May 14th (Sunday) : Liturgy Formation: Lectors, Bereavement Group and for those involved in Children's Sacraments (Confirmation, Eucharist & Reconciliation)

St Joseph's Primary School

School Fair: *Sunday 26th March*, 10.00am to 3.00pm: Cake Stall, 2nd hand books, Show Bags, Fill-a-Basket, Devonshire tea & coffee, bbq, pizza, fun activities & rides, raffles Something for everyone.



Sacrament of Reconciliation: Thursday at 5.30pm (Grade 6 children)

Australian Catholics: Autumn edition is available to take home (Gathering Space)

Parish Office: The office will be closed this Thursday & Friday

Meetings: Wednesday: Liturgy Committee at 5.30pm