

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: 10.00am (Liturgy of Word with Communion)
Thursday & Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)
Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

Deaths: Nancy Colasante (Fr Marcello's mother), Fr Mark McGuinness MSC, Alice Russell

Anniversaries: Maureen Dooley, Paul Murphy, Kevin & John McNamara, Ann Walsh, Daniel Kelly

Baptism: Nate Deverall was welcomed into God's Family last Sunday

St John of God Auxiliary: High Tea at Hammond Fellowship Hall, Sunday 4th June 2.00pm. Cost \$25. RSVP 1st June: Pat (5562 5093) Raffles & prizes. All welcome

Community Singing: Archie Graham centre every Friday 1.00pm to 2.00pm. Come and join in the singing or just sit and listen; you will go home smiling! All welcome

Project Compassion: Thank you once again for participating so generously in this year's Appeal. **\$7,682.65** has been received. Receipts are now available at the Parish Office for those who requested them.

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of April

Parish: \$1,831.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,719.00

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

Ascension Sunday

Moving Forward

We have prepared an activity **Labyrinth**.

You are invited to come and spend some time with this unique way of prayer and reflection, following the 8.30am Mass and continuing throughout the day.

The exposures of the Royal Commission make us feel the need to open our hearts and minds to a healing and prayerful response.

It is hoped to engage those in the community who have felt let down by the church.

Hospitality: All are welcome to stay for a cuppa following each Mass today hosted by the Family Groups.

Christian Unity: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 28th May to 4th June. This year there will be an Ecumenical Worship at the Uniting Church: Wednesday at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Clergy In-Service: The priests of the Ballarat Diocese have their annual In-Service this Tuesday and Wednesday. Fr John will be away these days.

Security: Parishioners are strongly advised to lock their vehicles when parking in the church grounds. There have been items stolen from vehicles recently.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF): ACYF is in Sydney, December 7 - 9 this year. Further information on the Diocesan website or contact Amanda (youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

Confirmation: Children of our Parish are currently preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep the children and their parents in your prayers. May we be models of faith for these children.

We are reminded of the Commitment of Parents:

- * to continue to nourish your own faith by hearing and reflecting on the Word of God, receiving his Body and Blood and living out the values of the Gospel
- * endeavour to inspire your child to live the Christian life through word and example
- * to support and assist your child in the growth and practice of the faith

Dates for Confirmation: **Thursday** 15th June at 7.00pm

Friday 16th June at 7.00pm

Saturday 17th June at 11.00am

NB: Confirmation Rehearsal: Wednesday, 14th June at 4.15pm