

# ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

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SUNDAY (A)

June 18<sup>th</sup> 2017

THE YEAR OF MERCY  
CORPUS CHRISTI

## BULLETIN NOTICES

Please forward any notices for the bulletin to Lara Thompson  
**By Thursday 5pm**  
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### NEXT WEEKS MASS TIMES

4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

**SUNDAY, 8.30 A.M. –  
CHARLTON**

**SATURDAY, 7.00 P.M. –  
WEDDERBURN\***

**SUNDAY, 10.30 A.M. – ST.  
ARNAUD**

**SUNDAY, 8.30 A.M. –  
DONALD**

\*Lay Led Liturgy

### NEXT WEEKENDS MASS ROSTER

**SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:** John Powell\*√  
Bernadette Zagame\*√ Mary McLoughlan\* Nursing Home

**READERS:** Fran Byrne Lee

**PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL:** Anne Kenny

**PROCESSION OF GIFTS:** Sandra and Brian Patton

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Darby and Poppy Fitzpatrick

**FLOWERS:** Dawn Mulquiny

**HOME VISITING:** Jo Russell

**COUNTERS: This week:** Brian Heenan and Brian Fitzpatrick

**Next week:** John Stahl

**CHURCH CLEANING:** M. Sait, M. Olive, Briony Zagame

#### Planned Giving

A reminder to yearly and quarterly contributors that next Sunday (25<sup>th</sup> July) is the last Sunday in the financial year. All contributors please collect your new boxes and envelopes for the 2017/18 Financial year from the porch.

Thank you

#### National Pastoral Leader and Planners Conference

"Vines and Branches: Yearning to Belong" will be held in Melbourne from September 4 – September 7, 2017. This conference will be an opportunity for clergy, pastoral associates and pastoral planners to reflect upon the signs of the time and move forward with hope.

#### Time to Draw the Line – East Timor

Many of you have a close relationship with East Timor communities. Here is a way to ACT for JUSTICE in support of these communities. Please share this petition in your parish and where possible invite members of your local community to be informed and to sign the petition. All petitions are required before July 30, 2017. Sr Susan Connelly rsj has initiated a formal Petition to the Australian House of Representatives on the maritime border with East Timor. A formal petition means it will be read in parliament. Hopefully, you are aware of this protracted dispute between Australia and its much poorer neighbour, East Timor.

### OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

#### RECENT DEATHS:

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#### ANNIVERSARIES:

- WILLIAM O'CONNOR
- MICK HANNON
- LIESEL LESLEY
- BILL PATTON
- URSULA GRIFFITHS
- VIN RYAN (2014)
- PAT COSSAR (MAHER)
- PATRICIA NASH

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

- BAILEY DELANEY
- VIN SAIT
- FR JOHN KEANE
- IAN BRUNS
- JACK ROSS



# **ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL REUNION**

**Celebrating 120 years of  
Catholic Education in  
Charlton on Show  
Weekend, 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>  
October 2017.**

From Our Lady of the Missions  
archives:

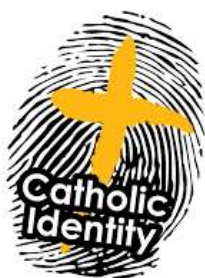
“In response to an invitation from Fr Kelly, Parish Priest of Charlton, four sisters came from Perth to take charge of the school. They were delighted to find such a flourishing school and to meet the bright happy children who, for many years, had been receiving a Catholic Education from devoted lay teachers.

In 1930 boarders were taken in and secondary classes began in 1940s. Their work progressed and numbers increased so that in 1959 a new school of four classrooms was built and another two were added later.

The Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions withdrew from the parish in 1968 after teaching in its school for 45 years.”

More stories and information of the history of Catholic Education in Charlton will be displayed at our reunion in October.

**Wanted:** If you have any photos of school days could you please hand them to the school or Anne Kenny.



## **Liturgy Formation 2017**

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering Liturgy Formation Sessions again in 2017 at Colac on June 25, Ballarat Cathedral on July 9 and Warrnambool on July 23. Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass in parishes on these days. Workshops on offer are Funeral Ministry, the Diocesan Sacraments of Initiation Program, “Let the Children Come” and Formation for Lectors. Attached is a flyer and registration form for distribution in your parish. Registration is also available via the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au). The Commission would appreciate your support in promoting these events in your parishes.

## **Family Matters - Strengthening Respectful Relationships Forum**

All are welcome to attend this Forum with Fr Frank Brennan SJ as the guest speaker which will be held in Ballarat on June 24, Warrnambool July 22, and Mildura August 26. These free events are being hosted by the Social Justice Commission of the Diocese of Ballarat together with many workshops provided by Centacare. Please register your attendance at one of the venues listed: <http://2017familymatters.weebly.com/> Details about workshops will be released soon. Alternatively, contact Danielle Peters or Tony Haintz - [social.justice@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:social.justice@ballarat.catholic.org.au).

## **Youth and young adults: Pope Francis' Online Survey now open**

Please encourage young adults you know to do this survey (Pope Francis wants to hear from everyone whether they are actively connected to church or not). This online survey is seeking opinions and perspectives of young people (16-29) as part of a national consultation process that will inform the world-wide Synod on Youth that Pope Francis is convening in October 2018. The survey closes on 2 July 2017. Access the survey on the Ballarat Diocese website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) For more information: [youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or 5337 7125.

## **Shannon's Bridge**

Shannon's Bridge is a new not for profit volunteer organisation to help connect patients and existing palliative care services and supports. We are here to support you with issues about illness, dying and loss. The aim is to remove the taboo and change attitudes about death and dying. The focus is on not just a “good death” but “better living”. Shannon's Bridge is based on the “Compassionate Communities” international movement to help people to live well within our communities to the very end of our lives. A Compassionate Community is one that acknowledges that care for one another at times of crisis and loss is not simply a task solely for health and social services but is everyone's responsibility. Shannon's Bridge welcomes interest and questions from members of the public, other volunteer groups, faith or spiritual groups, community organisations, service providers, local government, health services and educational institutions. Contact Jeremy McKnight, ph. 0448 827956 or [www.shannsonbridge.com](http://www.shannsonbridge.com).

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Paths  
of JOY