

# ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

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SUNDAY (A)

July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017

THE YEAR OF MERCY

13<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY

**BULLETIN NOTICES**

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## NEXT WEEKS MASS TIMES

*2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF THE MONTH*

**SATURDAY, 7.00 P.M. –  
CHARLTON**

**SATURDAY, 7.00 PM. –  
WEDDERBURN\***

**SUNDAY, 8.30 P.M. –  
ST. ARNAUD**

**SUNDAY, 10.30AM –  
BANYENA**

**SUNDAY, 8.30 A.M. –  
DONALD**

\*Lay Led Liturgy

**RECONCILIATION**  
on request

## NEXT WEEKENDS MASS ROSTER

**SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:** Franci Laynon\*

Sandra Patton\* Marg McGrath\*√

**READERS:** Frank Bourke

**PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL:** Val Bourke

**PROCESSION OF GIFTS:** Billy Fitzpatrick & family

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Jacob & Michael Olive

**FLOWERS:** Bernadette Zagame

**HOME VISITING:** Sandra Patton

**COUNTERS: This week:**

**Next week:**

**CHURCH CLEANING:** M. McLoughlan, J. Russell, L. Bruns

**Please Note: Please check in the kitchen at Church, as there are still a number of plates and containers to be collected from recent funeral catering.**

**Parish Council Meeting:** This Wednesday at 6 pm in St Joseph's School Staff Room.

Feasts: Monday St. Thomas Apostle, Tuesday Elizabeth of Portugal, Wednesday Anthony Zaccaria (priest) Thursday, St. Maria Goretti in 20 th Century The Italian young girl who would not allow herself to be abused and was martyred. Friday, Blessed To Rot the young man from PNG who was martyred.

Euthanasia in Victoria.

Victorian government bill on the euthanasia will be introduced later this year on assisted suicide and terminating the lives of patients. There is a brochure available in which details of the proposed legislation are discussed. To assist the rights of patients and others to be looked after in good palliative care procedures are asked to consider putting your opposition if that is the case to the local member. Take one of the brochures and write to your local member. Put in your own words make sense, but there is a Sample letter which might help you compose your own.

Australian Catholic youth Festival December 7-9 in Sydney 2017.

Bishop Paul Bird will be attending this festival is one of the hosts. The Festival this year, with 15,000 young people Year 9 to 30 year old and their leaders (any age over 18) expected to attend. There will be a wide range of events including plenary sessions , talks, music, social justice, art, faith expression and faith information, meeting others and fun. Registration for this event is necessary they can be made through Amanda Smith at

## OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

### RECENT DEATHS:

### ANNIVERSARIES:

- LUCY FITZPATRICK
- HUGH NOONAN
- HOWARD BISH
- FRANK NOONAN

## 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.**

Do you remember?

In 1965 St Joseph's won the Shield at the Birchip Sports in the Junior Section. Some of the winners were: Geoffrey Mulquiny, Geoffrey Thompson, Brendan Byrne, Ann Maree Egan, Margaret Thompson, Kevin Sait, Jenny Williams, Leonie Lanyon, Gregory Mulquiny. If you have a photo of these sports could you please let us know.

Our next meeting is 6pm  
Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> July

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

*St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship – applications now open*

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offer scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. Applications close 17 July 2017. Details and application: <http://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

## ***Annual Collection for the Pope***

A reminder that the Annual Collection for the Holy Father is to be taken up on the weekends of July 1 & 2 or July 8 & 9, 2017.

*Family Matters – Strengthening Respectful Relationships on Saturday, July 22, at St Pius X Primary School*

All are welcome to attend this forum with Fr Frank Brennan SJ providing the opening address, followed by a number of workshops. The recent Ballarat event was an excellent opportunity to learn, connect and reflect. The free event is being hosted by the Social Justice Commission of the Diocese of Ballarat in conjunction with Centacare. Workshops/seminars to choose from include: Family violence; having the suicide conversation; building trust/listening; enriching family relationships; keeping children the focus in blended families; tuning into kids. Please invite your staff and parent communities to attend this wonderful event that promotes the importance of family by registering online: <http://2017familymatters.weebly.com>. The event will be suitable for all staff/families and also provides very positive links to Catholic social teaching. Hosting the Forum in Warrnambool is the second of three diocesan opportunities; next one is in Mildura on August 26.

## *Liturgy Formation 2017*

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering Liturgy Formation Sessions again in 2017 at 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. Registration available via the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au).

*Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – now open for new participants*

The Lay Pastoral Ministry Program offers low-cost opportunities for online study and formation for lay workers in the diocese, both employees and volunteers. A wide range of subject areas are offered: Scripture, Sacraments, Social Justice, Youth Ministry, many more. Registration for the July study cycle closes on 10 July - or you can start in September or later in the year. Details on the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) (link is on front page), or contact Amanda, ph: 5337 7125 or email [amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au).

## ***Youth and young adults: Pope Francis' Online Survey closes 2 July!***

Last chance for young adults to share their views with Pope Francis in the online survey which seeks 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 at midnight on Sunday 2 July 2017. Access the survey on the Ballarat Diocese website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)