

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

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SUNDAY (A)

July 23rd 2017

THE YEAR OF MERCY

BULLETIN NOTICES

Please forward any notices for the bulletin to Lara Thompson

By Thursday 5pm

Phone: 54911834 or 0400328146

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NEXT WEEKS MASS TIMES

5th SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

**SATURDAY, 7.00 P.M. –
CHARLTON**

**SATURDAY, 7.00 PM. –
WEDDERBURN***

**SUNDAY, 8.30 A.M. –
ST. ARNAUD**

**SUNDAY, 8.30 A.M. –
DONALD**

**SUNDAY, 10.30 A.M. –
BANYENA**

*Lay Led Liturgy

RECONCILIATION
on request

NEXT WEEKENDS MASS ROSTER

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: John Powell*√

Bern Zagame*√ Mary McLoughlan* Nursing Home

READERS: Anne Calnin

PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL: Brian Heenan

PROCESSION OF GIFTS: Marg Fradd & Volunteer

ALTAR SERVERS: Tahli & Jye Roberts

FLOWERS: Francie Laynon

HOME VISITING: Jo Russell

COUNTERS: This week: Michael & Kath Bourke

Next week: Des & Francie Lanyon

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

St. Joseph's Parish will be celebrating Father Paul's 80th birthday on Sunday, 20th August after 10.30am mass in the multipurpose room at St. Joseph's School. A casserole luncheon and sweets to share with all. (Each family is to bring a casserole or a sweet.) For further information ring Julie, 54912484. Please put your name on the list in the foyer to let us know what you are bringing.

Looking Towards.....New Horizons

Clemente'

25th July 2017 to 9th Nov 2017

WHERE Ballarat Regional Library WHAT An introduction to Tertiary Education in a safe,

secure, supportive environment. All course materials are provided. No cost involved and lunch provided each week. WHY Be inspired through education and achieve a Certificate in Liberal Studies

HOW 12 weeks commitment

Tuesdays 12pm - 3pm Thursdays 12pm - 3pm

CONTACT Lesley at Centacare E: lesley.cooper@centacareballarat.org.au M:

0419 550 313

CENTACARE is a work of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat

Cardinal George Pell's Trial.

As you know George Pell has been summonsed to appear in court to answer charges on abuse matters.

The prosecution case is being paid for by you through you taxes as is every charge prosecuted .

A fund has been set up to support the payment of expenses incurred by George Pell in his defence, denying all charges. The fund has been set up by a firm of lawyers in NSW. Should you wish to get details of the fund to bring a balance to both sides of prosecution and defence: contact the Parish 54911614 or M: 0417562243.

OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

- VERONICA O'CONNOR
- MARTIN FITZPATRICK
- ANNE MARSH

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, 21st & 22nd October 2017.

We will be having a raffle to help offset costs associated with holding the reunion.

1st Prize: 1 night in a suite at Holiday Inn, Swanston St Melbourne. Includes valet parking and breakfast. Valued at over \$300. Valid for 12 months. Not available during some special events eg. Grand Final / Melb. Cup Week

2nd Prize: A Reunion Book

Cost \$1 per ticket.

Raffle to be drawn at the Reunion.

We will be selling tickets outside Tormey's Supermarket on Thurs. 24th & Fri. 25th Aug. and Fri. 1st & Sat. 2nd Sept. If you are able to give 2 hours to sell tickets could you please contact Anne (54 911673) or Val (54 911 418)

***Wanted:** School Day Recollections / Reminiscences from 1995 to the present day. We have a collection from 1895 – 1995 but would be pleased if people who attended the school from 1895 to the present day could write down a few thoughts. Plans are progressing.

Our next meeting will be 6pm Weds. 23rd Aug.

Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Foundation Update

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The objectives of the Foundation are:

- to financially assist the Diocese in its mission to grow Christ's kingdom here on earth;
- to financially assist the charitable works of the Diocese; and
- to provide for relief, support and comfort of those suffering from disadvantage within the Diocese, inter alia from unemployment, low income, age, physical or mental disability, language difficulties or social or economic isolation.

The Foundation has its own rules, constitution and board of management; and operates as a distinct entity from general diocesan finances. It has grown and now holds net assets of \$8.9m. In total \$336,701 was distributed during 2016 to the Diocese and through Parishes to support activities such as: sponsoring representatives attending the World Youth Day in Poland and the Proclaim Conference in Sydney; Merbein Parish's Year of Mercy activities; and Warrnambool's Caring for the Homebound program. The Foundation also supported organisations such as Centacare.

Financial Assistance:

The Foundation relies on donations to continue to build its investment reserve to fund its activities.

For more information about becoming a Foundation Board Member, please contact Jim Muller, our Foundation Chair, ph. 0437 562 262, or email jimuller39@gmail.com; or Andrew Jirik, Diocesan Business Manager, ph. 5337 7126 or andrew.jirik@ballarat.catholic.org.au for further information.

