

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: **Tuesday Wednesday & Friday:** 10.00am: (Eucharist)
Friday: Emmanuel College Year 7 & 8 students
Thursday: 2.00pm (Anointing Mass)
NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

Deaths: Marie Schroeter, Mary Ellul (Melbourne)

Anniversaries: Dick Price, Gerald Healey, Michael Mee, Gordon & Elizabeth Barley, Ronnie Coe, Gerard Rea, Annie McKinnon, Jill Kelly, Vic Kelson, Jack Murrhoy

Baptism Preparation: 6th December at 7.30pm Please book at Parish Office

eConference: The 13th National eConference was held in August. The Parish Office has a DVD of the Speakers and Panellists involved for those who wish to borrow it

Christmas Concert: Merri Singers & Special guests. Sunday 3rd December 2.00pm at Uniting Church Hall. Tickets \$15 All welcome

W'Bool Symphony Orchestra: Dance & Magic Children's Concert at Lighthouse Studio *today* at 4.00pm & 7.00pm Tickets: Adults \$20 Student & Concession \$10

Cuppa: All welcome to stay for a cuppa following Mass hosted by Family Groups

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of October

Parish: \$2,409.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,267.00

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

Feast of Christ the King

Christmas Masses

At our recent Southern Zone Meeting in Koroit, Bishop Paul Bird was in attendance. One of the items we discussed was the Christmas Masses with the Vigil being on a Sunday this year. The thrust of the discussion was to be reasonable, pastoral and just do what you can do and to know our people are understanding.

24 December Sunday: 9.30am (No 8.30am or 10.30am)

Sunday: 5.00pm

7.00pm

9.00pm

NB: 8.30pm at Purnim (Vigil)



25 December Monday: 9.30am

19 December Tuesday: 7.30pm: Communal Celebration of God's Forgiveness

Nativity Exhibition: 9th-11th December: To make the Exhibition a success we need your nativity scene, large or small. We also need **'helpers'** during the Exhibition. If you would like to be involved **please** leave your name & contact details on the timetable in Gathering Space.

On Saturday 9th December there will also be an opportunity for families to make their own Nativity in workshops with the help of qualified artists in the Parish Hall 10.00am to midday. Bookings essential. Please book at Parish Office by Thursday 7th December

Role of the Lector in our Liturgies: Just as the Assembly is fed at the table of the Eucharist with the Body & Blood of Christ, so it is fed at the 'table of the Word' with the Word of God. When the Word is proclaimed with clarity, sincerity and conviction it has the **power** to touch our lives and change our hearts.



SJOG: The Auxiliary are looking for second hand books (novels, biographies, autobiographies) to sell at the January markets. Books can be left in Gathering Space.

Australia West Papua Association: Invitation to commemorate 66th anniversary of raising of morning star flag symbolising our solidarity with the West Papuan people in their ongoing desire for freedom and justice. This Friday 5.00pm at Civic Green

Al-Anon: Are you troubled by someone's drinking? Al-Anon Family Group is for you. St Joseph's meeting room: Monday 7.30-9.00pm, Wednesday 12.30-2.00pm, Thursday 8.00-9.30pm Sue (0419 670 114)

Meetings: Wednesday: Finance Committee at 12noon