

# ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land - The Gunditjmara People. We acknowledge their ancestors with respect & commit to working for reconciliation & justice.*

**PARISH STAFF:** Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)  
Kathleen Card (Pastoral Associate)  
Barry Wolff (Business Manager)  
Leanne McElgunn (Secretary)  
Pat Negri (Gardening/Maintenance)

**CHILD SAFETY OFFICER:** Anne Maree Mugavin

**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 Thursday & Friday:** 10.00am (Eucharist)  
**Friday:** 10.30am (Reconciliation)  
NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

**Deaths:** Aileen Bourke

**Anniversaries:** Greg Gleeson, Mick Earls, Ann McKenna, Bridie Ritchie, Gerry O'Brien, John Miers, Marie O'Brien, Michael Kenneally, Mary Jane Smith, Kevin Brown, Michael Pye, Denis Melican, Annie Melican

**Ephphatha Book Corner:** The library of books is located in the Parish Office and is opened week days 9.00am to 4.00pm. Please feel free to come and read or borrow from the numerous theological and spiritual books.

**Parishioners:** Bishop Bird asks that **all volunteers** provide their parish with a current Working with Children Check (WWC). If you are a volunteer in **any ministry** we ask you to complete this task. Any query please contact Parish Office.

## Stewardship - Finances

**Stewardship:** Weekly average contributions for the month of July

**Parish:** \$2,145.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,185.00

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

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

### *Migrant & Refugee Sunday*

Our Parish consists of parishioners from many cultures:

Ireland Scotland England India Netherlands Sri Lanka New Zealand Italy Philippines Nigeria South Sudan South Korea China Poland Vietnam ....

Let us celebrate the cultural diversity of our nation and especially to consider the plight of the many who have fled their homelands in fear.

We thank Jose Farrar (8.30am) Jo Baptiste (10.30am) and Ethel Samalca (6.00pm) for speaking at the Masses today.

Thank you to the parishioners for your involvement in this annual celebration  
Refreshments follow the 10.30am Mass

**Ballarat Clergy Support Fund:** This fund currently supports fifteen retired priests. Along with the priests' own contribution this **annual collection** has allowed the Fund to continue to support our sick and retired clergy. Envelopes will be available for this collection (9th September) which can be placed on the collection plate.

**Pope Francis:** Copy of Pope Francis' letter to '*the People of God*' is available today

**Warrnambool Joy+ Youth Festival:** The theme of the Year of Youth is 'Open New Horizons for Spreading Joy'. This is a free event with music and workshops, including lunch. Register at [www.trybooking.com/WHVU](http://www.trybooking.com/WHVU) Sunday 2nd September 12noon to 6.00pm at St Pius.

**First Eucharist:** Please remember the children and their families who are preparing to celebrate this sacrament. First Eucharist will be celebrated Sunday 9th September.

**Help:** Are you able to spare **one hour** on a Friday to help at St Vincent de Paul Holiday home? Further details contact Jack Daffy (5562 2372)

**Meetings: Tuesday:** Southern Zone Meeting: Priests & Pastoral Associates (St Pius)

## Warrnambool Organ Festival

### *Four events over three days*

Friday 31st August to Sunday 2nd September. On Saturday 1st September from 10.30am at Presbyterian Church, families will be treated to performances by our **St Joseph's Organ Scholars** and their teacher, Sonia Beal. There will also be an opportunity to 'have a go' on the organ for those interested. Final concert of the festival will be at St Joseph's, featuring Calvin Bowman, followed by afternoon tea. Further information in Gathering Space.