

# 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 & Friday:** 10.00am (Liturgy of Word & Communion)  
NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

**Deaths:** Margaret King

**Anniversaries:** Gertrude & Willian Ryan, Bess & Frank Houlihan, Laurie Callaghan, Jack Mugavin (Purnim), Vincent Miers, Kathleen Coombs, Martin Moriarty, Matt Rea, Tom Woolley

**Baptism Preparation:** The next preparation evening will be **Tuesday**, 9th October at 7.30pm. Please book in prior to the evening.

**Welcome:** A warm welcome to Fr Bill Melican who is with us this weekend

**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 August

**Parish:** \$\$1,891.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,255.00

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

## 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Ballarat Clergy Support Fund

Last year our parish contributed \$3,100 to this collection, which raised \$48,000 throughout the Diocese. The collection this year has raised \$1,604.00 to date. The fund currently supports **fifteen retired priests** eg Fr Bill Melican & Fr Barry Ryan. The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund relies on your generosity to enable it to continue supporting our sick and retired priests. You are still able to contribute by using the special envelope provided, or in an envelope marked 'Ballarat Clergy Support Fund'.

**Season of Creation:** September 1 to October 4: There is an urgent need to find solutions to the crisis facing our common home. Christians around the world are asked to unite to pray and care for creation. It is the 'Season of Creation' and it's happening from Paris to Pittsburgh, Pretoria to La Paz, Patchewollock to Purnim!

**Back to Illowa:** Reunion of the two schools that stood side by side: Illowa State School 690 and St Columba's. Celebrations will be held 17th & 18th November 2018. Further details Wendy Lane (0428 328 881)

**St John of God Auxiliary:** Fashion Parade at Hammond Hall, Henna St. Sunday 30th September at 2.00pm. Tickets \$20: Pat (5562 7200) or June (5561 0098)

### 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.



**Lay Pastoral Ministry Program:** The final study cycle for 2018 begins on October 21st. This low-cost online study covers a wide range of topics: youth ministry, sacraments, liturgy, leadership along with new subjects. Further information and registration contact Amanda Smith (5337 7125)

**Time for a smile:** An elderly couple, worried that they were constantly forgetting things, were advised to write things down. One afternoon, while relaxing on the couch, the wife asks sweetly, "Honey, can you get me a bowl of ice cream with sprinkles on top?". The old man makes a move to get up.. "And can you please put a cherry on top?" "Sure I can do that!" "Write it down or you'll forget!" she reminds him. His reply, "No need, I've got it. You want ice cream with sprinkles and a cherry on top". After spending an unusually long time in the kitchen the husband comes out and hands his wife a plate of bacon and eggs. After staring at the plate the wife looks at her husband and asks, "Where's the toast"?"