

The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool
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16 September 2018 **24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes

Child Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Rachel Brown. 0402 009 785

Welcome Bishop Peter

West Warrnambool and Dennington parishes welcome Bishop Peter Connors to St Pius X to preside at Mass this weekend. Father Michael and our parishioners are very grateful to him, for his continuing ministry.

Letter to the People of God

A copy of Pope Francis's *Letter to the People of God* which has recently been reported in the media is available at <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2018-08/pope-francis-letter-people-of-god-sexual-abuse.html>



BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND Collection for Sick and Retired Priests

Last year our parish contributed \$1,016.20 to this collection, which raised nearly \$48,000

throughout the Diocese. The collection in our parish this year has raised \$1,273.00 to date. 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". **A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.**

Plenary Council Preparations

We are invited to attend one of the gatherings in preparation for Plenary Council 2020 in St Joseph's Parish Hall on Tuesday 9 October at 7 p.m. or Wednesday 10 October at 10 a.m. The Gatherings will be an opportunity to hear from and meet Ms Lana Turvey-Collins, Facilitator of the Australian Plenary Council 2020 Preparation Team. Lana will speak about the overall 3-year process of preparing for the Plenary Council 2020 and answer any questions. Queries phone 5337 7125.

You are encouraged to begin doing *Listening and Dialogue* Encounters together with people in your communities. Groups in parishes, schools, other organisations, as well as individuals are all invited to respond. Responses to the three questions are being received by Plenary Council 2020 until Ash Wednesday, 6 March 2019.

Have you been thinking about

- **What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?**
- **What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020?**
- **Do you have a story of your experience of faith or the Church that you would like to share?**

Thank You for Giving

Presbytery Last Week: \$905.50
Giving August 2018: \$4,188.75
Amount Pledged: \$4,105.00

Your Greatness Is
Not What You
Have
It's What You Give.

St Vincent de Paul Society

The St Vincent de Paul Opportunity Shop is in urgent need of good quality pre-loved clothing. Please leave your donations at the shop, 180 Fairy Street. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Fashion Parade

St John of God Auxiliary are hosting a Fashion Parade featuring Daizy Boutique Fashions and make-up by Nutrimetics. It will be held at Hammond Hall, Henna Street on 30 September at 2 p.m. Cost of tickets are \$20 which includes champagne on arrival, lucky entrance ticket, Devonshire tea and \$20 voucher from Daizy Boutique. Tickets are available from Pat Starkie 55627200, June Steel 55610098 and Pat King 55625093.

Back to Illowa Reunion

Former students, teaching staff and their families are invited to a reunion for the two Schools that stood side by side; it is 160 years since Illowa State School 690 opened and 100 years since St Columba's School opened. The Back to Illowa celebration will take place on the weekend of 17-18 November 2018. For more details or to be placed on the mailing list please phone Wendy Lane on 0428 328 881 or email lanebros@bigpond.com

Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. J. Dean
10 a.m. C. Hughson

Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. P. Starkie
10 a.m. K. Harzmeyer

Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. G. McKenzie
L. O'Keefe
N. Russell
Peter Haberfield
P. McGennisken
10 a.m. B. Hogan
J. Beks
J. Garvey
A. Mills
B. Ermacora

Local Sunday Masses

Sat.	6 p.m.	St Pius X
	6 p.m.	OLHC
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	St Joseph's
	9 a.m.	OLHC
	10 a.m.	St Pius X
	10:30 a.m.	St Joseph's
	10:30 a.m.	Allansford (1st, 3rd & 5th: Mass)
	11 a.m.	Purnim (1st, 3rd & 5th lay-led)
	11 a.m.	Purnim (2nd & 4th: Mass)
	6 p.m.	St Joseph's

Weekday Masses

While Father Michael is on holidays no weekday Masses are planned. If anyone needs to organise a funeral Mass either firm of Warrnambool funeral directors will know what to do.

Confessions

Saturday morning confessions (and confession at any other convenient time) will resume when Father Michael returns from his holidays.