

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

Deaths: John Molony (Canberra), Michael Jackman (Mornington)

Anniversaries: Joan Carey, Annie Richardson, Bert Mugavin(Purnim), Leon Murphy

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 again 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.

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

Ballarat Clergy Support Fund: Thank you for your support in contributing \$2,014

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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Plenary Council 2020 Preparations

"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"

There will be two gatherings in the Parish Hall providing an opportunity to hear from and meet Ms Lana Turvey-Collins, Facilitator of the Australian Plenary Council 2020 Preparation Team. Lana will give insights into the process of Listening and Dialogue that is now open to hear the voices of all who wish to respond. Lana will also talk about the overall three-year process of preparing for the Plenary Council 2020 and answer any questions.

Gatherings here at St Joseph's:

+ Tuesday, 9th October at 7.00pm

+ Wednesday, 10th October at 10.00am

The hope is that many Catholics, active and disaffected, will take the opportunity to help plan the future of our Australian Church.

More information and register for updates: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Social Justice Sunday: 30th September: This year the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled, 'A Place to Call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land'. The Statement challenges us all to confront Australia's growing rate of homelessness and unaffordable housing. The latest census figures show that more than 116,000 Australians are homeless - something unacceptable for a rich and well-resourced nation like ours. Copies of the Social Justice Statement will be available next week.

Hospitality: All are welcome to stay for a cuppa following mass today hosted by our Family Groups

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)

St Vincent de Paul: The shop is in need of good quality pre-loved clothing. Donations can be left at the shop (180 Fairy St). Your support is appreciated

Meetings: Wednesday: Finance Committee at 12noon