

# 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)  
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**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 & Comm)  
NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

**Deaths:** Doreen Ryan

**Anniversaries:** Ivan Ramirez, Harriet Conheady, Pte Graham Warburton (KIA), Joe Morgan, Margaret Butler

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

**Welcome:** This weekend we welcome and thank Fr Barry Ryan for being with us

**Pastoral Ministry Formation:** Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) is being offered at St Thomas' Parish Centre Terang in 2019. Further details contact Bernadette Wurlod at [Bernadette@bernadettewurlod.com.au](mailto:Bernadette@bernadettewurlod.com.au) or 0417 573 258

**Blessing of Animals:** The Parish will have a Blessing of Animals on Friday 12th October at 5.30pm in the Church grounds. You are invited to bring your animals; great and small, for the Blessing.



## 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

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Social Justice Sunday

'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 Statement available (Parish Office) or [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au)

### 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](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

**Stronger Communities - Safer children:** Research shows that strong healthy communities have less child abuse and neglect. Qualities of such communities include:

- \* having services & social networks to support families
- \* involving & respecting its children
- \* modelling appropriate parenting behaviour
- \* taking pride in its people & culture

Communities with these qualities provide a web of support across all aspects of a child's life - enhancing their development, wellbeing & resilience against harm.

*What role do we play?* **Our Parish community** - Take some time to speak with and engage with our young parishioners. Connecting with our young people, especially students. Be good role models.

**Pipe Organ Scholarship 2019:** Invitation to primary & secondary school students interested in learning to play the pipe organ. The 3 year scholarship will provide a thorough grounding. Application form from Parish Office. Closing date 30th October