

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)
Barry Wolff (Business Manager)
Leanne McElgunn (Secretary)
Pat Negri (Gardening/Maintenance)

SAFEGUARDING 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: **Tuesday Wednesday Thursday & Friday:** 10.00am (Eucharist)
Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

Deaths: Laurie Clark, Marie Jessop (Geelong)

Anniversaries: Michael Butler, Elizabeth O'Keefe, Gerry Ryan, Jack Ryan, John Ryan, Ian McKenzie, Olive O'Donnell

Baptism: This week we welcome into God's Family: Matilda Fraser, Remi O'Shannessy, Lola Kenna and Harlem Le Cerf

St John of God Auxiliary: Movie screening: 'Poms' this Thursday 10.00am for morning tea followed by movie. Tickets \$20 from Pat (5562 7200) or (5562 5093)

Confirmation: Formal preparation for the celebration of this sacrament will begin shortly. If your child attends a government school and you wish your child to be involved please contact Parish Office.

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of April

Parish: \$2,548.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,551.00

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

Project Compassion: Thank you for giving \$5,570.25

Second Sunday of Easter

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - 2020

The Pilgrimage is being led by Fr John Fitzgerald, 28th May to 10th June next year. We welcome Colleen Duffy (Harvest Journeys, Sydney) who is with us this morning to say a few words. There will also be a short meeting and talk in St Joseph's Parish Hall at 11.30am today for interested pilgrims.

Sabbatical: Fr John departs on his sabbatical to Israel, Jordan and Egypt this week. Fr Peter Murnane OP will be the priest in residence during this time and assisting with priestly duties.

We wish Fr John safe travels and may he come back refreshed and energised. We look forward to hearing stories on his return in July.



Mothers Day Concert

Warrnambool Symphony Orchestra presents its 12th annual Mothers Day Concert here at St Joseph's Church next Sunday (12th May) at 2.30pm. A lively program of familiar works along with new locally composed pieces. Tickets available from Lighthouse Theatre Box Office, phone (5559 4999) or at the door on concert day.

Catholic Church in Tanzania: There are more than 10 million Catholics in the country - about a quarter of the total population. Approx 61% are Christian & 35% are Muslim. Tanzania shares Lake Victoria with Uganda & Kenya. Also well known for its Serengeti National Park and Mount Kilimanjaro. The choir dominates the Tanzanian Mass, and no song is complete without choreographed movement including stamping of feet, swaying arms, clapping and sometimes even cries of joy.

Men's Breakfast: Combined Churches Men's Breakfast on Saturday 18th May 8.00am at New Life Christian Church (41 Bromfield St). RSVP 5562 0007

Publication: Copies of March issue 'Our Diocesan Community' are available today

Pastoral Ministry Formation: A 20 week part time Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) program is being offered commencing 8th August to 19th December in Terang. Further information and application: Bernadette Wurlod (0455 033 321)

Meetings: Wednesday: Finance Committee at 12noon

Wednesday: Sacramental Team Meeting at 4.00pm