

The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool
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1 September 2019 **22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes

Child Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Rachel Brown. 0402 009 785

Ballarat Clergy Support Fund Collection for Sick & Retired Priests



The annual collection for our sick and retired priests will be taken up today after Holy Communion. Special envelopes for this collection are available in the church seats and in the boxes of planned giving envelopes. If you are not ready to contribute today, you can return your envelope next week.

The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund provides for retired priests who have spent a lifetime selflessly caring for others, and who deserve a happy and peaceful retirement. The Fund is currently supporting and caring for fifteen retired priests. Over the next few years a number of priests currently in parish ministry including Father Michael will be moving into retirement, and will also need to be supported by the fund. This collection has raised nearly 1.9 million dollars since its inception in 1991, including nearly \$48,000 last year. Along with the priests' own contribution of approximately \$33,000 per year, this annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our sick and retired clergy. Please give as generously as you can, and help us continue 'caring for those who cared for us'.

A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.

Father Michael's Holidays

Father Michael will begin his annual holidays today and will not return until the weekend of 28-29 September. The usual Masses will be celebrated in his absence at 6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. on Sunday, but no weekday Masses are planned while he is away. Should it be necessary to organise a funeral, either local firm of funeral directors will know what to do.

Plenary Council 2020

Lana Turvey-Collins, the facilitator for Plenary Council 2020, will be in Warrnambool on 10 and 11 November. She will address parish coordinators at 6 p.m. on Tuesday 10th and at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday 11th in St Joseph's Parish Offices. Both sessions will cover the same material; it is a matter of which people find more convenient. As well as parish coordinators, anyone else who would like to attend will be welcome. Following the visit we are asked to consider the National Themes for the Council and it is most likely that each of the local parishes will host one or two gatherings to consider the themes that have emerged from the national consultation. Furthermore, the National Centre for Pastoral Research has just published *Listen to what the Spirit is Saying*. It captures the voices of the more than 222,000 people who shared their submissions, questions and stories of faith during the 10-month process. We can access the report at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports

Anniversaries

Madeleine Carroll. Barbara Hughson.

Thank You for Giving

Presbytery Last Week: \$611.90
Planned Giving August: \$3,180.30
Amount Pledged: \$3,693.00

Father's Day

"A father is neither an anchor to hold us back, nor a sail to take us there, but a guiding light whose love shows us the way." - Unknown

Bulletin Notices

If you have notices for *The Parish Pump* during September, they can be emailed as usual to warrnamboolwest@ballarat.catholic.org.au. Otherwise, please write out your notice, sign it, and either put it in the letter box by the door of the parish office, hand it to Louise during her normal office hours, or ring her (again during office hours) on 5562 5033. We would be grateful if similar arrangements were followed throughout the year.

St John of God Auxiliary

St John of God Hospital Auxiliary is running a movie fundraiser *Downton Abbey*

Date: Thursday 12 September

Venue: Capitol Theatre

Time: 10:00 am for morning tea
10:30 - Movie

Price: \$20:00

Tickets: Pat King 0438 625 094 or Pat Starkie 5562 7200.

St Joseph's 130 Years

For the 130th anniversary of the completion of St Joseph's Church Mass will be offered there on Friday 13 September at 7 p.m. On the Saturday at 10:30 a.m. there will be a tree planting followed by a tour of the cemetery. More information is available from St Joseph's parish office (5562 2231)

Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6.00 p.m. Pauline Haberfield
10 a.m. J. Nolan

Prayers of the Faithful

6.00 p.m. C. Harris
10 a.m. C. Nolan

Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. L. O'Keefe
N. Russell
Peter Haberfield
N. Stapleton
K. Johnson
10 a.m. S. Malone
B. Houlihan
M. Pickett
B. Ermacora
L. 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 Mass

No weekday Masses are planned for West Warrnambool or Dennington until Father Michael returns from his holidays.

Confessions

Sacramental Confession will again be available in St Pius X Parish when Father Michael returns from his annual leave.