

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)
Fr John Corrigan (Assistant Priest)
Barry Wolff (Business Manager)
Leanne McElgunn (Secretary)
Pat Negri (Gardening/Maintenance)

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER Anne Maree Mugavin

We are a Child Safe Parish

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: **Christmas Mass times:** see opposite page
Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Deaths: Mark O'Keeffe, Beverley Clifford and the Fire Fighters who gave their lives helping others

Anniversaries: Norman Rowe, Glenys Balchin

Hospitality: All are welcome to stay for a cuppa following Mass today

History: Archive Centre located in the Parish Office has numerous items & articles. Photo albums on the refurbishment of St Joseph's will be located in the Gathering Space during the Christmas season

St Vincent de Paul: St Pius Conference will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary in 2020. If you aware of previous members and family thereof, the Conference would appreciate advice so they can be involved. Contact Chris Nolan 0447 566 232

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of November

Parish: \$1,795.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,361.00

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

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Christmas Mass Times

24th December (Tuesday)

5.00pm

7.00pm

9.00pm

8.30pm at Purnim

25th December (Wednesday)

9.30am



Christmas Mass Ministries - Welcomers, Eucharist Ministers, Ushers: Please consider being a part of the Mass you will be attending. List available in Gathering Space or contact Parish Office. *Thankyou*



Advent has a **two-fold** purpose:

- to prepare for Christmas when Christ's birth is remembered
- to await Christ's second coming at the end of time.

Envelopes are available where your donation will be shared between St Vincent de Paul and victims of the recent bush fires. Envelopes can be placed on the collection plate or Parish Office.

Christmas Day Lunch: Christmas is a time for sharing with family and friends, but for some this is not possible. You are welcome to share a luncheon on Christmas Day (St Joseph's Hall) 12noon to 1.30pm. Bookings essential. Mary (0409 158 177) Parish Office (5562 2231).

Christmas in every language: Today we have a special way to say Happy Christmas with a display of greetings in many languages. In the Gathering Space we also have a crib inspired by the traditions of Vietnam. All are welcome to immerse themselves in food, scenes & friendship of our Vietnamese families (10.30am)

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - 2020: A wonderful opportunity to visit Petra, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, the Dead Sea and many other places. The pilgrimage is being led by Fr John Fitzgerald, 28th May to 10th June. Brochure & booking form available from Parish Office or contact info@harvestjourneys.com

Caritas Australia: This Christmas buy a 'Global Gift'. The Gift of Water, the Gift of Food, the Gift of Sustainable Livelihoods, to help the most vulnerable people in the world transform their lives. Further information in Gathering Space or Office.

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