

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: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)
NB: A funeral normally replaces the Mass of the day

Deaths: Cecilia Melican, John Van Stalten & Mark Dunstan (Q'ld)

Anniversaries: Eileen Delahenty, Anne Kelly, Leanne Bidmade, Julie Anderton

Baptism Preparation: This Tuesday at 7.30pm. Please book in prior

Bereavement Group: Meeting this Tuesday 3.00pm in Gathering Space

Southern Zone Meeting: Priests and Pastoral Associates (Tuesday)

Clergy Appointment: Following Fr Eric Bryant's retirement, Fr Andrew Hayes has been appointed Parish Priest of Stawell as well as his duties as Parish Priest of Ararat

The Venetian Sonnets: Musical performance created by Paul Venzo, Karien Sinclair, Jane Duffy & 'The Monks'. Mozart Hall 19th & 20th March at 8.00pm Tickets \$30. \$25 concession from trybooking.com

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of February

Parish: \$1,813.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,587.00

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

Second Sunday of Lent

Season of Lent

The season of Lent is a time of **prayer, self-denial** and for **helping others**. In this way the whole Church prepares for the Great Feast of Easter.

Stations of the Cross: All Fridays in Lent: 7.30pm (St Joseph's Church)

Please take home a **Project Compassion Box** or **Envelope** today.

Your generosity will assist some of the world's most vulnerable communities to lift themselves out of poverty.



Week 2: Phany lives in a village in western **Cambodia**. Struggling to earn a living as a farmer, she was forced to leave her daughter behind in the village, to take up construction work in the city. Caritas enabled Phany & her community join a program where they learnt new farming techniques and trained in health areas.

Pastoral Statement from the Diocese

The spread of coronavirus, COVID-19, continues to present challenges to health authorities around the world. Many dioceses have temporarily altered certain practices in the Mass to ensure the health and safety of parishioners. With the wellbeing of all parishioners of our diocese in mind the following directives to all in the Diocese of Ballarat:

- The Body of Christ (the host) can be distributed to all; Communion of the Precious Blood will be for the **celebrant** only;
- Communion will be received only in the hand and **not** on the tongue;
- At the Sign of Peace, parishioners who may feel uncomfortable about shaking hands may wish to exchange with a smile or a bow;
- All ministers of Holy Communion are to use **hand sanitisers** before the distribution of Holy Communion, and are not to physically touch anyone in the act of blessing;
- Holy water fonts are to be **emptied** or removed

These directives are informed by the latest advice from the **Australian Government of Health**, and will remain in place until the need for them ceases. Thank you

Sanctuary Works: New cabinetry on the northern wall of the church (behind the altar) has commenced. The Reredos and Tabernacle have been relocated during this time. Once cabinetry works are completed the Reredos and Tabernacle will return to their former central location..... most likely by next weekend

Plenary Council: The final listening and discernment session 'Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform' will be held at St Pius Church next Sunday at 3.00pm