

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: Suspended until further notice

Mass Online: St Joseph's Parish Mass (31st May) can be viewed from 8.30am via:

YouTube - www.tiny.cc/joe3280 or

FaceBook- <https://www.facebook.com/stjosephswarrnambool>

Deaths: John Fleming, Carmel Lanigan

Anniversaries:

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of April

Parish: \$1,281.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$

It is very much appreciated to those parishioners who are able to continue contributing by dropping in their Planned Giving envelopes, since the cancellation of Masses. If you wish to continue your contributions you may like to contribute by direct debit or credit card. Forms are available from the Parish Office, or Leanne is happy to receive your phone call or email.

Thank you to parishioners who are contributing to the Planned Giving Program through Direct Debit, Credit Card or Envelopes.

Pentecost Sunday

Correspondence from Bishop Paul Bird

From Monday (June 1), Victorian government restrictions on gatherings will be eased somewhat. The change will apply to the numbers of people permitted to gather at places of worship and the numbers permitted at ceremonies.

Places of worship can open for private worship, subject to the four square metre rule
50 people can attend a funeral

In all cases, the following requirements will still apply:

Distancing of at least 1.5 m between attendees

Signage at the church door specifying maximum number permitted at any time, allowing 4 square metres/person

A register of attendees, including name, phone number, date & time of attendance

A reasonable time between events to allow for cleaning between each service

Cleaning with disinfectant of frequently touched surfaces.

To ensure that we can uphold all of these requirements, we will proceed very slowly. We are aware that there will be many desiring to join in the celebration of the Eucharist, far more than can be accommodated.

I believe it's still a few weeks away before we are ready to celebrate Sunday Masses. Thank you (**Fr John**)

Maintenance Update: St Joseph's Church is currently undergoing a lighting update replacing the present lights for LED lights. This will save power and assist with better performance.

Plenary Council: The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has decided to postpone the opening assembly. The two assemblies will now take place in October 2021 (Adelaide) and April 2022 (Sydney).

Confirmation: Children of our Parish will begin formal preparation for the celebration of the sacrament this week. Please keep the children and their parents in your prayers as they prepare 'at home' for this program. The Parish Sacramental Team will review options and advise when the sacrament is to take place.

St Vincent de Paul: Seeking volunteer tutors to help with their after-school Education Support Program. If interested in helping out once a week and need further information please phone Parish Office.

Parish Office: As of tomorrow (Monday 1st June) the Parish Office will be open 'for business'!

