

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 (26th July) can be viewed from 8.30am via:

YouTube - www.tiny.cc/joe3280 or

St Joseph's Church Warrnambool YouTube

Deaths: Patricia O'Sullivan

Anniversaries: Neville McNeil, Daryl Leddin

Thanksgiving Program: New envelopes and receipts are available from the Parish Office. Thank you to the parishioners who have continued to gift to the Presbytery and to the Parish over the past weeks. Thanks for your care and generosity.

St Joseph's Parish has joined with CDF (Catholic Development Fund-Ballarat) and CDF Pay where you can electronically make a one-off payment or set up a regular payment. You will receive an electronic receipt for any payments made.

The link can be found on St Joseph's website and scrolling down to the CDF portal or go to <https://ballarat.cdfpay.org.au/>

Further information or query please contact Parish Office. (Leanne)

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of June

Parish: \$2,470.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$150.00

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

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Looking Forward to our new 'Ministry District'

This Wednesday our Business Manager, **Barry Wolff**, retires following ten years as a member of St Joseph's Parish staff. I have previously mentioned many of the things that have been achieved during Barry's time with us.

Barry has also played a prominent role in the parishes of Port Fairy and Koroit in recent months e.g. in preparing for the sale of our unused Catholic Churches, namely the churches in Yambuk, Orford and Hawkesdale.

In replacing Barry we will need to look at restructuring somewhat so as to prepare for our new 'Ministry District'. The communities of St Pius, the Infant Jesus, St Patrick's and St Joseph's will become one Parish i.e one 'Ministry District' in January 2021. Fr Michael retires at the end of 2020 as the Parish Priest of Warrnambool West and Dennington.

This new 'Ministry District' will be served by two priests. I seek your patience and understanding as we venture into the unknown. (**Fr John**)

Today's Gospel: Matthew 13:44-46



Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.'

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.'

The Gospel of the Lord

The Church (St Joseph's) will be open Monday to Friday (10.00am to 12noon) for private prayer.

Week day Prayer: St Joseph's Church: Wednesday: Praying the Rosary 11.00am
Friday: 'Prayer of the Church' 11.00am

14 Day Retreat: *A retreat for a time of isolation:* Prepared by staff of Jesuit Communications with daily readings and reflections. www.pray.com.au/with-jesus-in-the-desert-a-retreat-for-a-time-of-isolation