

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

Parish Office: 5562 2231 **E-mail:** warrnambool@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 9 am - 1 pm; 1:30pm - 4 pm

Diocesan website: www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

St Joseph's is a Child-Safe Parish

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 & Fr John Corrigan
Tony Herbert (Business Manager)
Louise Dryburgh (Assistant Business Manager)
Leanne McElgunn (Secretary)
Pat Negri (Gardening/Maintenance)

CHILD SAFETY OFFICER: Anne Maree Mugavin

SCHOOL PRINCIPALS: Jim Guinan (St Joseph's School-interim)
Peter Morgan (Emmanuel College)

WEEK-END LITURGIES: **Sunday:** 8.30am, 10 am & 6 pm
Purnim: 11am (Eucharist on 2nd and 4th Sundays)
(Assembly of Word with Communion on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays)

WEEKDAY LITURGIES: **Wednesday:** 10.00am (Liturgy of the Word with Comm)
Friday: 10.00am ((Eucharist)

Deaths: Kevin Ryan, Gary Fitzgerald and Elaine Reicha.

Anniversaries: Margaret Gleeson, Xavier Mugavin, Kay Lowne, John Joseph Smith, Elizabeth O'Keefe, Mary Clancy.

Baptisms: We welcome into God's family this weekend: Benjamin Gherashe, Ivy Parsons, Bradie Rankin and Easton Kane

Publication: Copies of Our Diocesan magazine are available to take home

Meeting: Tuesday, Southern Zone: Priests & Pastoral Associates (OLHC)

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of March

Parish: \$2,551.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820.00

Parish contributions consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debit

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. <https://ballarat.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=12>

6th Sunday of Easter - 9th May 2021

Mothers Day Blessing

For new mothers, coming to terms with new responsibility;
For expectant mothers, wondering and waiting;
For those who are tired, stressed or depressed;
For those who struggle to balance the tasks of work and family;
For those who are unable to feed their children due to poverty;
For those whose children have physical, mental or emotional disabilities;
For those who raise children on their own;
For those who have lost a child;
For those who care for the children of others;
For those whose children have left home;
And for those whose desire to be a mother has not yet been fulfilled.

Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender, and that they may lead their children to know and do what is good, living not for themselves alone, but for God and others.

Amen

Mothers Day Concert

This afternoon at 2:30 (St Joseph's Church) Warrnambool Symphony Orchestra & conductor Angus Christie have put together a rich and varied program including familiar classics, operatic arias and much more. Tickets are available at the door.

Looking Forward

Over the past couple of weeks the Catholic communities of Koroit, Port Fairy, Warrnambool West and Warrnambool have had the opportunity to gather, dialogue and to seek greater clarity in relation to the potential merger of the above parishes. We thank all who took time to gather for the consultation process. We now invite you to forward a **name** that you believe would be appropriate and acceptable for the 'new' parish. Please forward to Leanne at St Joseph's Parish Office or to one of the priests.

First Eucharist: The children who prepared for the sacrament of First Eucharist in 2020 will be celebrating the sacrament at all Masses next weekend. It is important that we, but **especially the parents**, continue to support the children in modelling the Christian life for them.

Staying Safe: Wearing a mask is no longer mandatory, however, the government recommends that we wear a face mask when we cannot maintain 1.5 metres distance. Sign in or use your phone to access the QR code on entering the Church.