



• The current Church was built in 1993, after an unfortunate fire on New Years Day destroyed the birch Church in 1991.

Anniversary Coming Up

On Sunday, October 26, St Joseph's Charlton, now part of East Wimmera Parish, will celebrate 140 years since its establishment as a Parish on Sunday 26th October.

Following 10.30 Mass there will be a luncheon for attendees.

The first Catholic Church in Charlton was built in 1875 but it wasn't until 1885 that the Charlton Mission was established, and St Joseph's became a parish. It had its own

Parish Priest and assistants until the year 2000 when Fr Paul Mercovich was appointed Parish Priest of Charlton and St Arnaud.

St. Joseph's continued as a separate parish until 2018 when Catholic parishes in

Wycheproof and Nullawil, Birchip, Donald, Charlton and Wedderburn, Boort, and St Arnaud and Banyena districts, combined to create a new parish, now called East Wimmera Parish. Please contact Sandra, 0407 320 633, for catering purposes.



• The brick Church was built on the site of the original wooden one, with its foundation stone laid in February 1907 and it was dedicated in September of that year. Both the architects and contractors were from Bendigo.



• Standing in front of the what is believed to be the first Church is a group of schoolboys. Erected circa 1875, this Church was also used as a school.