

# ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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**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:** 10.00am (Assembly of Word with Communion)  
**Friday:** 10.00am (Assembly of Word with Communion)

**Deaths:** John O'Flaherty, Bryan Barnby (Melbourne)

**Anniversaries:** Brooke Spetch, Daryl Leddin, Mary Lane, Ron Warburton, Alec Lowne, Nick Zakynthos, Mary McDowall,

**National Council of Priests:** Fr John will be meeting in Melbourne this week for the bi-annual gathering of priests from all Dioceses throughout Australia.

**Our Diocesan Community:** Latest publication now available (Gathering Space)

**Emmanuel College:** Feast day of St Ann will be celebrated with Mass at St Ann's Chapel this Tuesday at 11.45am followed by light luncheon. Past students are most welcome to attend. RSVP to school office (5560 0888)

**Thanksgiving Program:** Thank you to the parishioners who support the work of the church through their financial contribution. The new set of **envelopes**, along with receipts are now available. For those who now wish to join, may do so through the envelope system or by direct debit or credit card. Please contact Parish Office.

## Stewardship - Finances

**Stewardship:** Weekly average contributions for the month of June

**Parish:** \$3,058.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,358.00

NB: Parish contribution consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debits

## 17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### COMMITMENT OF PARENTS - 1st Eucharist

**Fr John:** Will you continue to nourish your own faith by continuing to hear and reflect on the Word of God, being nourished by his Body and Blood and living out the values of the Gospel?  
**Parents:** We will

**Fr John:** Will you continue to encourage your child to live the Christian life through word and example?  
**Parents:** We will

**Fr John:** May Almighty God bless you in this most important ministry.

### Halls/Offices Refurbishment & Building

Some parishioners are asking when the works will be completed. Apart from the new office structure, there is also a major internal redesign and refurbishment being carried out. Unfortunately, there have been some delays that have been mainly caused by finding 'unknowns' within the existing buildings. These and other issues, have now been dealt with and the contractor is estimating that the works should be completed in 7-8 weeks. As a consequence of these works, and also planning for the future, we are required by the authority to consolidate the existing 3 electric power services to 1 service. It is hoped that this will cause minimal disruption but it may extend completion of works.

We apologise for any inconvenience that has been caused and thank all for their patience and understanding. An **Open Day** will be held and parishioners will then see the benefits of the project.

### Loud Fence

This weekend the ribbons removed from the fence will be brought forward during Mass. They have been a sign of the hurt caused to many whose lives were affected by institutional sexual abuse. The ribbons will be made into an artwork that will be a lasting memory and a sign of hope for the future.

**Parish Life:** Each week we highlight one of our various committees/groups. This week it is our **Sacristans:** Joan O'Neill, John Gleeson, Maria van de Camp, Lyn Sheppard, Mick Wilkinson

**St Vincent de Paul:** Thank you to parishioners who contributed \$2,457.55 to last week's **Winter Appeal**. This generous support helps in the efforts to meet the needs of the disadvantaged in our community. Gerald Madden: (President St Joseph's Conference).