

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: **Tuesday:** 1.30pm (Requiem Mass: Neville McNeil RIP)
Wednesday: 10.00am (Eucharist)
Thursday: 10.00am (Mercy Place): Eucharist
Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Deaths: Neville McNeil, Charlie Schroeder, Barry Bermingham

Anniversaries: Tom & Mary Pye & Family, Bill Sage, Johanna Sinnott, Kevin Morris, Mary Ann Harrison-Soley

Baptism Preparation: Next information evening is Wednesday 10th August. Please book in to Parish Office prior to the evening.

Our Diocesan Community: Copies still available (Gathering Space)

First Eucharist: Please keep the children and their families in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacrament.

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

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Invitation

Emmanuel College are hosting the following events with Keynote speakers:

Sr Therese Power RSM will be a Keynote speaker on the global problem of 'Human Trafficking' at Rice Campus Hall (Canterbury Rd) Friday 5th August at 10.15am. Interested parishioners are welcome to attend.

Fr Richard Leonard: (International Guest Speaker) will be holding a workshop: *What are we doing on earth for Christ's sake?* This will be looking at the pivotal question of mission and identity for a Catholic School. How can we unashamedly promote religious belief, Christian faith and an active membership of the Catholic Church? Fr Richard Leonard is a Jesuit priest who has studied extensively, lectured on faith and culture all over the world and is the author of nine books.

Wednesday 17th August, 8.45am to 2.30pm at McAuley Hall. Further information & RSVP tmcinnes@emmanuel.vic.edu.au

Parish Life: Each week we highlight one of our various committees/groups. This week is the **Baptism Preparation Team:** Joel Saywell & Mary Lancaster

Migrant & Refugee Sunday: (21st August) Pope Francis has chosen as this year's theme '*Migrants and Refugees challenge us: The Response of the Gospel of Mercy*'. This is a time when we celebrate the cultural diversity of our community. You are invited to bring memorabilia of the country of your birth to display. More information in next week's bulletin.

Nativity Exhibition: *St Joseph's 10th & 11th December:* Please put this weekend in your diary. Last year's exhibition was a success and we would like to build on that this year. Do you have a nativity scene to display? Would you like to be involved in the preparation and organisation of the exhibition? Please contact the Parish Office.

World Youth Day: Live streaming of World Youth Day events from Poland is available on www.xt3.com/live including WYD Mass with Pope Francis (Sunday, July 31 at 6.00pm Victorian time)

St Mary's Church Hamilton 150th Anniversary: All are invited to celebrate the 150th anniversary of St Mary's Church Hamilton on the weekend on August 13 & 14, 2016. A celebration dinner will be held on Saturday, August 13 and Mass will be held on Sunday, August 14 at 10.30am. A complimentary lunch will follow the blessing of a commemorative stone. History tours and displays will also be a feature on the weekend. Dinner bookings and further information contact Parish Office (5571 1161) or Anne Slattery (5570 8210)