

The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool
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9 September 2018 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes

Child Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Rachel Brown. 0402 009 785

First Holy Communion

At this weekend's Masses, children from our Parish schools who have been preparing to receive the Blessed Eucharist for the first time will take their full part in the Mass with us. Please pray with them and for them that they may remain faithful to Christ in the Eucharist throughout their lives.



BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND Collection for Sick and Retired Priests

Last year our parish contributed \$1,016.20 to this collection, which raised nearly \$48,000 throughout the Diocese. The collection in our parish this year has raised \$1,248.00 to date. The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund relies on your generosity to enable it to continue supporting our sick and retired priests. You are still able to contribute, by using the special envelope provided, or in an envelope marked "Ballarat Clergy Support Fund".

A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.

Letter to the People of God

A copy of Pope Francis's *Letter to the People of God* which has recently been reported in the media is available at <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2018-08/pope-francis-letter-people-of-god-sexual-abuse.html>

Plenary Council Preparations

We are invited to attend one of the gatherings in preparation for Plenary Council 2020 in St Joseph's Parish Hall on Tuesday 9 October at 7 p.m. or Wednesday 10 October at 10 a.m. The Gatherings will be an opportunity to hear from and meet Ms Lana Turvey-Collins, Facilitator of the Australian Plenary Council 2020 Preparation Team. Lana will speak about the overall 3-year process of preparing for the Plenary Council 2020 and answer any questions. Queries, phone 5337 7125.

Father Michael's Holidays

Father Michael is planning to commence his annual holidays after this weekend's Masses. While he is away Bishop Peter Connors and Father Rupert Bowd will be presiding at 6 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. Sunday Masses. No weekday Masses are planned while he is away, but if anyone needs to organise a funeral Mass either firm of Warrnambool funeral directors will know what to do.

Have you been thinking about

- *What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?*
- *What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020?*
- *Do you have a story of your experience of faith or the Church that you would like to share?*

Recent Death

Brenda Gleeson

Anniversary

Ross McCann

Thank You for Giving

Presbytery Last Week: \$619.70
Giving August 2018 \$4,188.75
Amount Pledged: \$4,105.00



“He has done all things well,” they said, “he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.”

Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. R. Farrar
10 a.m. L. Lane

Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. J. Farrar
10 a.m. M. Woodward

Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. J. Dean
D. Pasco
Pauline Haberfield
J. Thornton
G. McKenzie
10 a.m. M. McFarlane
B. Hogan
F. Garvey
A. Mills
Volunteer

Local Sunday Masses

Sat. 6 p.m. St Pius X
6 p.m. OLHC

Sun. 8:30 a.m. St Joseph's
9 a.m. OLHC
10 a.m. St Pius X
10:30 a.m. St Joseph's
10:30 a.m. Allansford
(1st, 3rd & 5th: Mass)
11 a.m. Purnim
(1st, 3rd & 5th lay-led)
11 a.m. Purnim (2nd & 4th: Mass)
6 p.m. St Joseph's

Weekday Masses

While Father Michael is on holidays no weekday Masses are planned. There will be a funeral Mass at 2 p.m. on Thursday 13 September.

Confessions

Saturday morning confessions (and confession at any other convenient time) will resume when Father Michael returns from his holidays.