## ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

**Parish Office:** 5562 2231

**E-mail:** warrnambool@ballarat.catholic.org.au **Diocesan website:** www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

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 (Parish Priest)

Fr John Corrigan (Assistant Priest) Tony Herbert (Business Manager)

Louise Dryburgh (Assistant Business Manager)

Leanne McElgunn (Secretary)

Pat Negri (Gardening/Maintenance)

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER Anne Maree Mugavin

We are a Child Safe Parish

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: Suspended until further notice

Mass Online: St Joseph's Parish Mass (6<sup>th</sup>Sept) can be viewed from 8.30am via:

YouTube - www.tiny.cc/joe3280

Deaths: Marcia Lancaster (Port Macquarie), Denise Kol, (Geelong) Dan Ryan

Anniversaries: Desmond Jackman

**Appointment:** Congratulations to Ben van de Camp on his appointment as Principal at St John's Dennington commencing in January 2021.

Caring for our Parish: 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. You receive an electronic receipt for any payments made. Further information please contact Parish Office (Leanne).

The link for St Joseph's Parish is: https://ballarat.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=12

### **Stewardship - Finances**

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of August Parish: \$1,713.00 Pledged Amount: (per week) \$2,820 Presbytery: \$73.00

NB: Parish contributions consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debit

# 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **Taking things for Granted!**

When this is over, may we never again take for granted A handshake with a stranger,
Full shelves at the shops,
Conversations with neighbours,
A crowded theatre,
Friday night out,
The sharing of Eucharist,
A routine check-up,
The school rush each morning.

The roar of the G, Each deep breath, A boring Tuesday, Life itself.

And when this ends,
May we find that we have become more like the people
We wanted to be,
We were called to be,
We hoped to be.

And may we stay that way ,
Better for each other because of the worst.
-Laura Kelly Fanucci

#### **Looking after yourself and others:**

Stick to a routine. Get out once a day. Find some time to move each day. Reach out to others.

#### A PRAYER FOR FATHERS

Gracious God,
Bless fathers and all father figures with such love
And faithfulness
That children flourish and grow
In uprightness and joy.
Bless those who long to be fathers
And those for whom this day is difficult. Amen

**Season of Creation and Ecological Justice:** This year's theme is "Jubilee for the Earth". In Laudato Si' Pope Francis asked us to care for creation and one another. You are invited to join a 45 minute guided meditation 'Finding God in Creation' via Zoom on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm. Please email catholicearthcare@ballarat.catholic.org.au and you will be sent the link.

