### ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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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)

Barry Wolff (Business Manager) Leanne McElgunn (Secretary) Pat Negri (Gardening/Maintenance)

**SAFEGUARDING OFFICER** Anne Maree Mugavin

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, Wednesday & Thursday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Friday: 2.00pm Anointing Mass

Deaths: Gladys De Rosario, Jim Harris, Bernard Shaw, Tania Greening, Hilary Lodge

**Anniversaries:** Jan Anderson, John Grayson, Les Jones, Kathleen Magee, Stuart Nicolson, Shane McGrath, Jack & Molly McGrath, Jack Boyce

**St Joseph's School Fair**: *Today*: 10.00am to 3.00pm. Devonshire tea, Bbq, show bags. cake stall, farmers market, plants, rides, children's stall, raffles ... All welcome

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**: This Tuesday at 5.30pm (Grade 6 students)

**Global Justice Course:** Conducted by Caritas at Emmanuel College on the 18th & 25th May. Further information & registration: John O'Sullivan (5560 0848)

**Board Needed:** Male student studying at Deakin University is looking for private board in Warrnambool. Contact John O'Sullivan at Emmanuel College (5560 0888)

### **Stewardship - Finances**

**Stewardship:** Weekly average contributions for the month of February **Parish:** \$2,181.00 **Pledged Amount**: (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery**: \$1,443.00

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

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

## Season of Lent

Week 3: Peter goes to a Solomon Islands boarding school which has experienced six decades of water shortages, with students searching for water many kilometres away. Caritas Australia teamed up with the school to provide a 90 kilo-litre water tank and electric pump. Staff and students from the school helped dig trenches and are now helping with a management plan. "Now we can stay at school to wash and not interrupt our official class time" Peter says.

"The future does have a name ... and its name is hope" - Pope Francis

Stations of the Cross: All Fridays in Lent: 7.30pm (St Joseph's Church)

### **Bishop Paul's Visit**

Bishop Paul will be with us next weekend. He will be meeting with the Pastoral Leadership Team, Finance Committee and 'Moving Forward' Group. He will also be visiting residents at Mercy Place and St John of God Hospital as well as St Joseph's School and Emmanuel College.

Bishop Paul will celebrate all the Sunday Masses at St Joseph's along with the Anointing Mass this Friday at 2.00pm. A cuppa will follow each Mass. Please bring a plate to share.

**Syro-Malabar Mass:** Fr Sajan, now ministering in the Ballarat Diocese, will celebrate Mass at St Joseph's Church on Wednesday, 10th April at 5.30pm. There are a number of parishioners of this Catholic tradition resident in the Warrnambool region. Parishioners of the Roman Rite are also most welcome to attend.

**Retreat in Daily Life:** 29th April to 25th May; An opportunity for those who are unable to undertake a residential Retreat. Participants continue their daily lives and meet weekly in small groups led by **Fr Edward Rwimo**, a 46 year old Jesuit priest, who will lead the process of prayer, listening, sharing and discernment. Fr Edward was born in Tanzania and studied philosophy at Arrupe College (Harare) and theology Nairobi before being ordained to the priesthood in 2013.

**CBC Past Students:** Catch up with class mates at Emmanuel Centre Monday 29th April 5.30 to 7.00pm. Further information Emmanuel College (5560 0888)

**Symphony of the Passion**: Sunday 7th April 2.30pm at Christ Church. This is a joint project of the Warrnambool & Hamilton Symphony Orchestras with special guest instrumentalists. Tickets \$30 from Collins Booksellers, Dale Cleves or at the door.

Meetings: Wednesday: Finance Committee at 12noon