ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

Parish Office: 5562 2231

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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)

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: Sunday: 8.30am-10.30am-6.00pm

Purnim: 11.00am (Eucharist on 2nd and the 4th Sundays)

(Assembly of Word with Communion on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays)

WEEKDAY LITURGIES: Wednesday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Deaths: Bruce McMillan, Alice O'Bray

Anniversaries: Lyn Van Rooy, Norman Rowe, Glenys Balchin, Mary McKinnon

(Wangoom), Mary & Michael O'Keefe

Email: If you have an email address it would be appreciated if you could inform the Parish Office. It is most helpful in having your address for communication purposes.

After-School Tutoring Program: Seeking volunteers to help tutor primary school aged students in 2021. This will be based at St Pius or OLHC primary schools. Further information: Rebecca Janes 0447 156 690

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 November Parish: \$1,187.00 Pledged Amount: (per week) \$2,820 Parish contributions consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debit

4th Sunday of Advent

Christmas Mass Times

24th December (Thursday)

5.00pm

8.00pm

8.00pm at Purnim



25th December (Friday)

9.30am

Christmas Mass Ministries - Please consider being a minister of the Mass you will be attending. Please contact Leanne (Parish Office) if you can assist. *Thank you*



Advent has a two fold purpose: to prepare for Christmas when Christ's birth is remembered and to await Christ's second coming at the end of time

As our 'doors' open up so that we may celebrate our faith again as a community, there are still a few regulations to contend with in order to ensure a healthy environment for all.

- Signing in or using your phone to access the QR code
- Continue wearing your mask in a crowd

Thank you Fr Michael

Fr Michael Linehan retires at the end of December. His final Mass will be Sunday 27th December at 10.00am (St Pius X). The Bishop will be present on this occasion. Fr Michael arrived at St Pius in January, 2004 and thus he concludes 17 years as their Parish Priest. We, the parishioners of St Joseph's, wish him well in his retirement and thank him for his priestly ministry not only at St Pius but throughout the Warrnambool region. You are welcome to attend his final Mass next Sunday. A light morning tea will be served following the Mass.

Community Christmas Day Lunch: This has always been a wonderful occasion but unfortunately it will not be held this year. We may be able to help in another way, so if you would like further information please contact the Parish Office or Mary (0409 158 177)

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