

# 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)

**CHILD SAFETY 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 & Friday:** 10.00am (Eucharist)  
**Friday:** 10.30am (Reconciliation)

**Deaths:** Jean O'Keeffe

**Anniversaries:** Steven Stoddart, Phillip Morgan, Brian Gorman, Jeremiah Harney, Sybil O'Callaghan, Basil McKinnon

**Baptism Preparation:** This Tuesday at 7.30pm. Please book in prior to meeting

**Bereavement Group:** This Tuesday at 3.00pm (Gathering Space)

**Volunteers needed:** We all like to see the beautiful flower arrangements that adorn our church but we are in **great need** of more volunteers to join the roster. Please **consider helping** in this important role. Contact Judith (0432578694) or Parish Office.

**Volunteer Tutors:** The Warrnambool tutoring Program is seeking volunteers for 2 hours a week. The program is conducted under the auspices of St Vincent de Paul at St Pius Primary School. Please contact Bernie Roache 0447 156 690

## Stewardship - Finances

**Stewardship:** Weekly average contributions for the month of January

**Parish:** \$2,321.00 **Pledged Amount:** (per week) \$2,820 **Presbytery:** \$1,575.00

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

## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### *Future Governance of Emmanuel College*

At the beginning of 2018 it was announced that the Christian Brothers intended to withdraw from sponsorship of Emmanuel College. Since the decision of the Christian Brothers to withdraw the College Governors have worked with the Board of Management to discern the most appropriate form of governance for the future. St Joseph's Parish and the Institute of Sisters of Mercy of Australia & Papua New Guinea will continue, in the interim, to be the joint sponsors of the College. A Memorandum of Understanding has been prepared and will guide the transition of the College's governance to Mercy Education Limited. The transition process is underway and whilst the final date of transfer has not been determined, it will be no later than 1st January 2021.

**Bishop Paul's Visit:** From Friday, 29th March to Monday, 1st April (inclusive). During that time he will meet with the Pastoral Leadership Team and the Finance Committee and any other group that desires to meet with him. He is also happy to make time for any parishioner (contact Parish Office). Bishop Paul will also be involved in:

**Anointing Mass** at 2.00pm on Friday 29th March

Celebrate the **Sunday Masses**

Visit residents at **Mercy Place** over the weekend

Visit **St Joseph's Primary School** and **Emmanuel College** (Monday)

**Plenary Council:** A Listening & Dialogue encounter will be held on Thursday 28th February 5.15pm-6.16pm in Gathering Space. This is an opportunity to put forward your thoughts on the way forward for the Church in Australia. All welcome.

**Lenten Program 2019:** '*Compassion*': We are joining with Christ Church Anglican Parish again this year. The program runs from Monday 4th March during the weekdays of Lent. Information and sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Space. You may wish to join a reflection group or use the booklet for private reflection. Cost: \$8 Contact Mary (0409 158 177) or Parish Office (5562 2231)

**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 a Jesuit Tertian priest, who will lead the process of prayer, listening, sharing and discernment. Further information to follow.

**Koroit & Port Fairy Parishes:** The **final Masses** in the communities of Yambuk & Hawkesdale have been held with Orford next week (10.30am). All former parishioners and friends are most welcome to attend.

**Meetings: Wednesday:** Liturgy Committee at 5.30pm