ST JOSEPH'S PARISH - WARRNAMBOOL

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PARISH STAFF: Fr John Fitzgerald (Parish Priest)

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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 to Friday: 10.00am (Eucharist)

Friday: 10.30am (Reconciliation)

NB: If there is a funeral it replaces the Mass of the day

Deaths: Bettie Hand, Sam Fitzgibbon, Kathryn Bushell, Bishop Ronald Mulkearns, Bryan Jongebloed (Melton), Edith O'Shannessy

Anniversaries: Toni Ciffo, Jack Richardson, Cecelia O'Keefe, Raymond O'Keefe, Veronica Carney, Ella Warburton, Shane McGrath, Jack & Molly McGrath, Danny Moloney

Wedding Bells: Congratulations and God's Blessings to Brooke Stuart & Daniel Brennan on their nuptials this weekend

Baptism Preparation: This Wednesday at 7.30pm (Gathering Space)

Rural Australians for Refugees: Sunday 17th April, 3.00pm at Brophy Family Youth Services Timor St. Eng Katherine (0459 615 564)

World Youth Day: Let us remember Kristy Brown, Rebecca McGrath & Stacey Atkins as they prepare for World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland in July this year.

Stewardship - Finances

Stewardship: Weekly average contributions for the month of March

Parish: \$2,958.00 Pledged Amount: (per week) \$2,820 Presbytery: \$1,495.00

NB: Parish contribution consists of envelopes, credit cards & direct debits

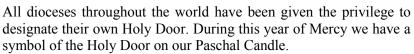
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

The 'HOLY DOOR'

You may have noticed the decoration on our Paschal Candle and wondered what it was!

It is a symbol of the 'Holy Door' designed and decorated by one of our parishioners, Mareta Butler.

A Holy Door is traditionally an entrance portal located within the major basilicas in Rome. The door is only opened during Jubilee Years designated by the Pope. In announcing the Jubilee Year of Mercy Pope Francis declared, "The Holy Door will become a Door of Mercy through which anyone who enters will experience the love of God who consoles, pardons and instils hope".





Music Ministry: Bernadette McInerney has recently withdrawn from the music ministry at St Joseph's following many years of extraordinary commitment. We will acknowledge Bernadette's years of faithful service in a more formal way soon.

St Joseph's School Fair

St Joseph's School Fair is next Sunday. Your support is very much valued, so please visit the school on Sunday (after Mass) and enjoy a wide variety of entertainment and activities. There will be something for everyone!

The plant stall would greatly appreciate any donations of potted plants, cuttings, bulbs, herbs etc. Please phone Jacinta (5562 8244) who will collect or drop off at school from Monday.

Project Compassion: Thank you to the many people who have participated in this year's Project Compassion. This has enabled us to share in the lives of many of our brothers and sisters in need throughout the world. To date \$6,010.85 has been received. All boxes or envelopes to be returned by next week. Receipts are now available at the Parish Office for those who requested them.

Meetings: Tuesday: Liturgy Committee at 5.30pm