ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

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December 25th 2016

THE YEAR OF MERCY Christmas Day

BULLETIN NOTICES

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<u>NEXT WEEKS MASS TIMES</u> <u>1st SUNDAY OF THE MONTH</u> NEW YEARS DAY

SUNDAY, 10.30 A.M. – CHARLTON

SUNDAY, 8.30 A.M. – WEDDERBURN

SATURDAY, 7.30 P.M. – ST. ARNAUD

SUNDAY, 10.30 A.M. – DONALD

NEXT WEEKENDS MASS ROSTER

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: John Powell*√ Bernadette Zagame *√ Mary McLoughlan * Nursing Home •

READERS: Jo Russell

PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL: Sigrid Lee

GIFTS: Val and Frank Bourke

ALTAR SERVERS: Patrick and Hugh Sait

FLOWERS: Bernadette Zagame **HOME VISITING:** Val Bourke

COUNTERS: This week: John Stahl

Next week: Leo and Kath Noonan

CHURCH CLEANING: C Livingston, V Bourke, L Whykes

OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

- THERESE WRIGHT
- KATH BURTON

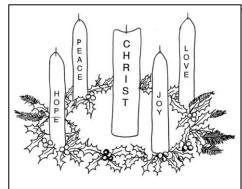
CHRISTMAS, MASS TIMES:

- Christmas Day 8.30 am at Wedderburn.
- St Arnaud Christmas Eve 8.30 pm, Christmas Day 8.30 am , Banyena Christmas Day at 10.30 am



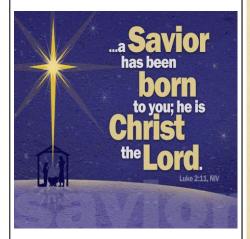
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

- Bailey Delaney
- Vin Sait
- Fr John Keane



Columba calendars are now on sale at \$9.00. Please see Val Bourke.

TO AUSTRALIA AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES. If you wish you can put your envelope on next Sunday's Collection.



MY CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Heavenly Father, I want to thank You for the Christmas tree, That reminds me of Your love for me. And under the tree, gifts with ribbons curled, Remind me Jesus is Your gift to the world. The colors of Christmas are so bright, Red, green, blue, yellow, and white. They tell me about the birth of the King, Of joy and life that He would bring. The meaning of Christmas is not just fun, But Your gift Father-Your precious Son. Through Him we see Your tender care, This gift of Jesus nothing can compare. Father help me this Christmas to see All that you have done for me. May all the symbols remind me of You, And all that Jesus came to do. Amen.

PARISH APPOINTMENTS: Fr Peter Sherman will move from Wendouree Parish to become the Parish Priest of St. Alipius Parish Ballarat East.

Fr. James Kerr will move from the Cathedral Parish Ballarat to be associate Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Mildura

Feast Days: MONDAY ST. STEPHEN the first Martyr, TUESDAY ST. John, THE Apostle and Evangelist. WEDNESDAY, THE HOLY INNOCENTS THURSDAY, ST THOMAS BECKET English bishop and martyr (assassinated) FRIDAY, THE HOLY FAMILY. ST. SYLVESTER pope



Saint Andrew Christmas Novena

Hail and blessed

be the hour and moment in which
the Son of God was born
of the most pure Virgin Mary,
at midnight, in Bethlehem,
in piercing cold.
In that hour, vouchsafe, O my God!
to hear my prayer and grant my desires
(mention your intentions here),
through the merits of
Our Savior Jesus Christ,
and of His Blessed Mother.
Amen.

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