



St. Ignatius¹, Neerim South



St. Joseph's, Warragul



St Ita's, Drouin

Warragul and Drouin Catholic Parishes'

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St. Ita's Primary School 5623-7222
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Parish Pastoral Council

Members:

Gary Blackwood- Chairperson
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Dee Jackson

EX OFFICE : PARISH PRIEST, DEACON MARK,
JOAN ROBERTSON AND PRINCIPALS ON ROTATION
FROM ST JOSEPH'S, ST ITA'S, ST ANGELA OF THE
CROSS AND MARIST SION.

Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Sunday 29th June 2025 - St Peter & Paul the Apostles

Weekday Mass Times (30 – 4 July)

Monday:	Warragul	Communion Service only	9.30am
Tuesday:	Drouin		5.30pm
Wednesday:	Warragul		9.30am
Thursday:	Drouin	St Thomas Apostle	9.30am
Friday:	Warragul	1st Frid ay	9.30am

Weekend Mass Times (5 – 6 July)

Saturday:	Neerim Sth	1st Saturday	5.30pm
Saturday	Warragul		7.00pm
Sunday:	Warragul		9.00am
	Drouin		10.30am



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, who have walked upon and cared for it for thousands of years.
We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship
of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the
ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

Peter and Paul

Why does the church put these two great saints, these very different men, together for this feast day? Peter, we imagine as an unlettered fisherman from Bethsaida who had probably travelled nowhere except for an annual trek down to Jerusalem. A bit rough around the edges, married or widowed, generous, impulsive, unreliable at times, but also, brave, loyal and insightful. Peter is commonly depicted in Christian art as a big round-faced, dark eyed man with short white curly hair and a curly beard. Leader of the apostles, Jesus appointed Peter to lead his church.



Paul on the other hand, we know from Acts and from his own writings, was born in Tarsus, a Roman citizen, a proud Pharisee – educated and travelled, described in early Christian writings as a small but solid man of olive complexion, not conventionally handsome, crooked legged, bald with a prominent nose and a unibrow. He is depicted in art with longish face and pointy beard. There is no evidence of him being married, though he did have a sister living in Jerusalem. He didn't know Jesus and proactively tried to stamp out that infant Christian Church. Together they were founders of Christianity. From tentative and uncertain beginnings, Peter went from strength to strength, leading from the front, encouraging his church and fearlessly proclaiming the Word. When Peter heard that Paul had flipped from being passionately anti-Christ to a vehement supporter, he was initially wary. But so it proved to be! Rome was the centre of the world and so it is unsurprising that Peter was drawn there to proclaim the Good News and, as first Pope, to found the church there and to be crucified. Paul became apostle to the gentiles, spreading the Good News across the Mediterranean basin through his remarkable missionary journeys. Eventually led to Rome a prisoner, he died a martyr for the faith.

Peter is buried directly beneath the main altar of St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City while Paul's tomb is located at the Basilica of Saint Paul Outside the Walls. *Deacon Mark Kelly*

JUBILEE YOUTH FORUM

When?: 12.30pm Sunday 20th July
Where?: Marian Room, St Joseph's
Why?: Fun, Food and Planning for Youth of all ages (and their parents)
How?: can we be dynamic, Christ-centered + active young parishioners.
(Info: contact Fr Brendan / Dcn Mark)

NO MASS MONDAY

There will be no further Masses on Mondays only liturgy of the word until further notice.

CUPPA AFTER MASS



Fr Stanley arrives this weekend for clergy swap. Please make him welcome by sharing in a cuppa and chat after Mass. A plate of food would be appreciated.

ST.VINCENT DE PAUL DROUIN / WARRAGUL CONFERENCE

MID-YEAR APPEAL:

On the weekend of June 29th SVDP Drouin/Warragul Conference will hold their annual mid-year appeal. Envelopes will be provided on your seat and you can either donate by cash or directly to the bank account provided on the envelope. There will also be a collection taken after Mass at the door. We are also looking for **donations of non-perishable foods** to keep our pantry stocked. If you can donate something to this, there is a basket at the back of the church in the foyer. We thank you for your generous donations in the past and look for your continued support.

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF WARRAGUL AND DROUIN OUR VISION - FORMING MISSIONARY COMMUNITIES

We are engaged together in the **mission** of Jesus today; as we seek to make God known and to love God and neighbour. Anything that helps people live in their full dignity and freedom, that serves the kingdom of God, is mission. We do this in **community** because we are more than individual believers and parishioners. We are one community made up of smaller communities: two parishes, three churches, our parish schools, ministry groups and families. We constantly need **formation** in our following of Jesus and we seek opportunities to grow in community for mission.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED EUCCHARIST

Sat: 10am-Adoration only—St Joseph's Church followed by rosary

Tue: 9.30am St Ita's Church

RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION

St Joseph's: Wednesday 9.15am

Saturday : NO reconciliation

St Ita's Saturday : NO reconciliation

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation Program is underway with final Commitment Mass taking place at Drouin this weekend 29th June.

Please make these families welcome and remember them in your prayers.

Bishop Greg will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with our candidates on Friday 15th August, 7pm at St. Ita's Church.



**CATHOLIC
YOUNG
ADULTS
GAMES
NIGHT**

July 18th, 7PM

Marian Room, St Joseph's Catholic Church Warragul

Event for young adults (18-35 years old)

Board games and dinner (Bring \$5 for dinner, and if you have a favourite board game at home bring it along!)

Enquiries: warragul@cdsale.org.au

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Young adults (18-35) are invited to join our first young adults group meet up on **Friday 18th of July at 7pm in the Marian room (St Joseph's Church Warragul)**. We'll be playing board games and having dinner together. If you're able, please consider bringing \$5 along to put towards dinner, and bring along your favourite board game if you have one! For any inquiries contact warragul@cdsale.org.au

Jubilee of youth Pilgrimage

Highway to Heaven—Saturday 19th July, an event organised by Our Lady help of Christians, 6.5km walk through Bewrick with lunch at Wilson Botanic Park then venture on to Parish for talks, adoration and Vigil mass with Bishop Greg. After Mass dinner will be offered

before a concert at Don Bosco School hall. FREE to register visit: <https://olhc.org.au/jubilee-of-youth-event/>

SACRED SINGING BY EXPERIENCED CHORAL MEMBERS AT HOLY HOUR

Saturday 19th July— Holy hour at St Joseph's church will be incorporating sacred music by choral singers to aid in prayer from 10 to 11am, open to all.

MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE:

The Finance Committees of Warragul & Drouin are currently working on a Master Plan with the Diocese to connect the parishes' finances with mission. It will involve a review of all of our assets; the buildings and maintenance requirements, to see if they are fit for the mission that is entrusted to us. The committee will report to the parishes in due course.

LAST 20 COPIES OF "ST. ITA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH DROUIN."

This book will tell you about the life and times of Catholics from the 1870's until the opening of the new Church in 2007. There are many photos to embellish the stories. Sold at Piety Stall for \$5 – with all proceeds going to Vinnies to support their vital work. B.Maunders



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

- * Have you thought about becoming Catholic,
- * Completing your sacraments of Holy Communion and/or Confirmation?

* Or maybe you are interested in learning more about your faith?

If you would like more information, please contact: Fr. Brendan or Joan Robertson at the Parish Office: 56231642 or Deacon Mark Kelly: 0427 748 646. An Information session will be held on Wednesday 30th July 7.30 pm Marian Room at St. Joseph's Church Warragul.

NEW PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES:

The current planned giving envelopes end on Sunday, 29 June 2025. The new planned giving envelopes have not yet arrived but we will endeavour to have them in the church foyers during the week. Apologies for the delay. Parishioners may use a plain envelope with the giver number clearly marked for the weekend of 6 July 2025 if desired.



JUBILEE CALENDAR

June 2025

**28/29th June — Clergy
Fr Stanley Devasia visiting**

Scriptural context

When the gospel writer has Jesus declare that he will give to Peter the keys of the kingdom of heaven, he is quoting almost directly from a verse in Isaiah, "I will place on his shoulder the key to the house of David; what he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open." (22:22). The passage in Isaiah is about the appointment of a steward – a caretaker – for the people of Jerusalem. It makes clear that the one appointed carries the authority of the Lord who appoints him. When almost the same words are used about Peter, it carries the meaning from its original context.

Prayers for the sick:

An invitation for those who want to have prayers said for them via the bulletin if they are sick or unwell please notify the parish office. For those who know of anyone who is sick please seek permission from the sick person before notifying the parish office to have it placed in the bulletin.

This space will be allocated for the listing of those in need of our prayers

MEET'N GREET

- **Meet 'n Greet**
- operates every
- **Wednesday between 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Marian Room at St Joseph's Church.** Come alone or bring a friend. Come and enjoy a cuppa and lively chat. Each week brings a new face.
- For anyone who has transport difficulties, let us collect you, by phoning Chris on 0419 772668 or Fran 0439 864175



Diocese of Sale Vocation Prayer

VOCATION



HEAVENLY FATHER, Lord of the harvest, we earnestly ask you to bless our diocese and the Church with many priests, deacons and religious who will love you fervently, and gladly and courageously live their lives in service to your Son's Church under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Bless our families and parishes that we may be given the grace and strength to live our baptismal vocation to be holy, as You are. Bless us that we will respond to your invitation to be living witnesses and disciples of hope as we discern our life in your son, Jesus Christ.

Bless young men and women to respond openly and generously to your invitation to become ministers of your Word and Sacraments, or to serve You faithfully in the covenant of Marriage, or the dignity of single life. Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation.
Amen



**An
invitation to
all To help
celebrate
Angela
Buza
100years of
Life**

Please pray for the following in our Parishes:

Mass Intentions

Saturday 7.00pm: Dan Vaughan(DA)

Wednesday 9.30am: Michael Masterson (DA)

Thursday 9.30am: Arthur Nott (DA)

Friday 9.30am: Marcello Geremia (DA)

ANNIVERSARIES: Kevin Booth, John Gleeson, Leo Straatman, Les Christian and John Chandler.



ALPHA- GOT QUESTIONS ABOUT LIFE ?

Watch this bulletin for further information on ways our community can come together to connect through interactive content that creates a safe and honest space for conversations where you can explore life, faith and meaning. **Alpha**– More details to follow in the coming bulletins

**First Collection
(Planned Giving)**
**St Joseph's Church
Account**
083879 489045334
St Ita's Church Account
083879 568166097
**Second Collection (to
support our Priests)**
083879 941199437
**St Joseph's & St Ita's
Presbytery account.**

ROSTERS

St Joseph's 28 / 29 June

Readers

7pm J.Charles 9am R&R Tarraran

Minister

7pm M. Charles 9am P.Bertacco

Offertory

7pm P.Heffernen & 9am Thompson Family

Greeters J.Robertson

7pm B.Rabl 9am (MR) B.Clover
(FE) B.McIntosh

St Joseph's 5 / 6 July

Readers

7pm A.Rankins 9am R.Stephenson

Minister

7pm Dcn Mark & 9am M.Kittely &

Offertory M.Gleeson B.Clover

7pm A&G Rankins 9am M.Kittely &

Greeters A.Hoffman

7pm V.Rowe 9am (MR) A.Hoffman
(FE) M.Kittely

St. Ita's 29 Jun / 6 July

Readers

29 Jun K& R. Collier 6 Jul Youth

Minister

29 Jun G.Collins 6 Jul B.Durand

Communion to sick

29 Jun D.Gleeson 6 Jul M.Collins

Welcoming

29 Jun J.John 6 Jul L.Bibby

Offertory

29 Jun B&P.Maunders 6 Jul J&K.Fahey

Piety Stall

29 Jun D.Oliver & 6 Jul S.Jordon & I.McLean

Cleaning McLean

27 Jun T.Meggetto 6 Jul M.Franklin

Amberlee & S. Jensen

2 July Fr & D.Stewart 9 Jul M.Lara-Laghrou &
Lyrebird C.Amoako-Boateng

1 July Mass & 15 July C.Harkin &
G & M Collins J.Fitzgerald

* with current WWCC & signed COC please

PASTORAL SERVICES

Baptisms: Celebrated on Sundays by prior arrangement including participation at an information meeting for Parents.

Marriages: By prior arrangement, six months notice requested.

CatholicCare: Services include counselling Individual, Family & Natural Family Planning Counselling
Ph 1800 522 076

St. Vincent de Paul

Conference helpline: Warragul Ph: 0499 201 517
Drouin Ph: 5625 4715

Safeguarding– Our parish is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all people with special concern for children, young people and adults at risk.

OUR OFFERINGS TO GOD

(last week's Sunday collections)

St Joseph's Parish:

Church (1st collection) cash \$537.05

Planned Giving envelope: \$1207.00

Presbytery (2nd collection): \$584.60

St Joseph's Building Fund: \$26,550.00

(Running total of donations)

St Ita's Parish (incl St Ignatius):

Church (1st collection) cash \$397.80

Planned Giving envelope: \$458.00

Presbytery (2nd collection): \$612.85

Thank you for your generous contributions.

MEETINGS

Monday: **St Ita's Rosary**, 10.30am followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Tuesday: **St Ignatius Rosary**, 11.00am followed by lunch.

Parish Pastoral Council 7.00pm Marian Room

Thursday: **St Ita's Charismatic Prayer Group**, Rosary at 7pm, St Ita's Church.

Friday: **St Ita's Rosary**, 7.00pm followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Sunday: **Rosary & Litany** 5pm in St Joseph's Meeting room (all welcome)

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading *Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Now I know it is indeed true: the Lord has saved me from the power of Herod.

King Herod started persecuting certain members of the Church. He beheaded James the brother of John, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews he decided to arrest Peter as well. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread, and he put Peter in prison, assigning four squads of four soldiers each to guard him in turns. Herod meant to try Peter in public after the end of Passover week. All the time Peter was under guard the Church prayed to God for him unremittingly.

On the night before Herod was to try him, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, fastened with double chains, while guards kept watch at the main entrance to the prison. Then suddenly the angel of the Lord stood there, and the cell was filled with light. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him. 'Get up!' he said 'Hurry!' – and the chains fell from his hands. The angel then said, 'Put on your belt and sandals.' After he had done this, the angel next said, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' Peter followed him, but had no idea that what the angel did was all happening in reality; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed through two guard posts one after the other, and reached the iron gate leading to the city. This opened of its own accord; they went through it and had walked the whole length of one street when suddenly the angel left him. It was only then that Peter came to himself. 'Now I know it is all true,' he said. 'The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me.'

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 33:2-9. R. v.5*

(R.) The Lord set me free from all my fears.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. (R.)
2. Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free. (R.)
3. Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress. (R.)
4. The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to rescue them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him. (R.)

Second Reading *2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18*

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

All that remains now is the crown of righteousness.

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation *Matthew 16:18*

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it.

Alleluia!

Gospel *Matthew 16: 13-19*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

You are Peter, and I will give to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

When Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus said to him in reply, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

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Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary



Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary, I consecrate my entire self to the Most Holy Love of Your Two Hearts. I wish to make reparation for all the sins of the world, including my own. I offer these things for the love of the hearts of Jesus and Mary.

I will keep my mind on beauty and turn my thoughts from evil things. I will hold my temper and bear the mistakes of others with love and a forgiving heart. I will admit when I am wrong and ask others to forgive me. I will not show off, but remain humble. I will offer up all my sufferings, sickness, and hurts. I will seek God's Will, not my own. I will show appreciation for the kindness, the blessings that I receive, and thank God for all things. I will do everything in my life for love of God. And, I will love others, as God has loved me.

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, through the intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, receive the offering and consecration I now make of myself to You. Keep me faithful unto death. Bring me one day to the happy home in Heaven. I desire to live forever with God the Father and the Most Holy Spirit and You my Jesus, together with Your Most Immaculate Mother. Amen