

# The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool  
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**30 July 2017**

**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes**

## St John of God Communion

Ministers of Communion who attend St John of God Hospital are invited to a gathering with Dr Jenny Conrick, Director of Mission, at the hospital on Thursday 17 August from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Afternoon tea will be provided.



## Priest's Day Off

Father Michael, like most diocesan priests, tries to have a day off on Mondays. Monday of this week will be taken up with trying to choose a suitable principal for St Pius X School, so he is hoping to arrange a day off on Tuesday. Days off never get in the way of important occasions like funerals (for example) but if there are arrangements that are not terribly urgent, you are requested to arrange them on one of the other six days of the week. **Please note that on Tuesday 1 August, Mass at St Pius X will be at 7:30 a.m.**

## Funeral Masses

Parishioners are reminded that when there is a funeral Mass at St Pius X any other Mass that has been advertised for that day will not normally proceed. If there is a funeral without a Mass, the advertised Mass will be celebrated as usual.

## Alpha Youth Program

Youth Alpha starts on Saturday 5 August, 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the St Pius X School Library. It is open to school students from years 6 to 10. The Alpha Youth Series is a brand new interactive series exploring life, faith and meaning. Each episode looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Share a meal and discuss in small groups your thoughts and ideas. For more information contact Julie on 0400 871 481 and RSVP before the night.

## School Principal

On Monday 31 July a panel of interviewers will be choosing a Principal for St Pius X School. Please pray that they will make the best decision for the children the staff and the whole school community.



*The Kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field.*

## Anniversaries

Michael Melican & Loreto Melican  
Alf Pasco

## Thank You for Giving

Presbytery last week: \$594.10  
Planned Giving June: \$4,829.20  
Amount Pledged: \$5,807.00

Financial Year 2016 - 2017

Amount Pledged: \$71,321.00  
Amount Given: \$65,127.70

## Ballarat Diocesan Foundation

The Catholic Diocese of Ballarat Foundation was established in 1986 to raise funds to assist the Bishop fund the pastoral needs of the Diocese of Ballarat. The objectives of the Foundation include:

- to financially assist the Diocese in its mission.
- to financially assist the charitable works of the Diocese and
- to provide for relief, support and comfort of those suffering disadvantage in the Diocese.

The Foundation operates as a distinct entity from general diocesan finances. In total \$336,701 was distributed during 2016 including contributions to Warrnambool's *Caring for the Homebound* program and organisations such as Centacare, the Ballarat Hospice, and Saint Vincent de Paul's North West Central Council.

The Foundation relies on donations to continue to build its investment reserve to fund its activities. You can assist by making a donation (all donations, regardless of the amount, are gratefully received); through a pledge (individuals or families can choose to commit to a pledge of a chosen amount on a yearly basis, or for a set period of time); or a bequest via your will. For more information, please contact Andrew Jirik, Diocesan Business Manager, ph. 5337 7126 or [andrew.jirik@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:andrew.jirik@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

## Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. J. Dean  
10 a.m. L. Lane

## Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. P. Starkie  
10 a.m. M. Woodward

## Ministers of Communion

6p.m. P. McGennisken  
Pauline Haberfield  
J. Thornton  
C. Murrhry  
G. McKenzie  
10 a.m. B. Hogan  
L. McElgunn  
F. Garvey  
A. Mills  
B. Ermacora

## Local Sunday Masses

<b>Sat.</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b> 6 p.m.	<b>St Pius X</b> OLHC
<b>Sun.</b>	8:30 a.m. 9 a.m. <b>10 a.m.</b> 10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	St Joseph's OLHC <b>St Pius X</b> St Joseph's Allansford (1st, 3rd & 5th: Mass) Purnim (1st, 3rd & 5th lay-led) Purnim (2nd & 4th Mass) 6 p.m. St Joseph's

## Weekday Masses

Monday 31:	7:30 a.m. St Pius X
Tuesday 1:	7:30 a.m. St Pius X
Wednesday 2:	10 a.m. Dennington
Thursday 3:	10 a.m. Mercy Place
Friday 4:	9:15 a.m. St Pius X
Saturday 5:	10 a.m. St Pius X

## Confessions

Saturday mornings after Mass or when you can find Father Michael: no appointment necessary.