



Star of the Sea Parish South West Coast

★ Infant Jesus, Koroit ★ St Patrick's, Port Fairy ★ St Anne's, Purnim ★ St Joseph's, Warrnambool ★
 ★ Our Lady Help of Christians, Warrnambool East ★ St Pius X, Warrnambool West ★

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PARISH PERSONNEL

Parish Priest	Fr John Fitzgerald
Assistant Priest	Fr Bill Lowry
Business Manager	Dennis Farley (Interim)
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Admin Team	Karen Johnson Virginia Martin Trisha McGinness

SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

St John's Dennington	Ben van de Camp
St Patrick's Koroit	Tegan McDonald
St Patrick's Port Fairy	Olga Lyons
St Joseph's W'bool	Matthew O'Brien
St Pius X W'bool West	Nick Murrell
OLHC W'bool East	Stephen Madden
Emmanuel College	Peter Morgan

WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH

Star of the Sea Parish adheres to the Child Safe Standards of Victoria. Our policies are on display in each Church, and website.

Parish Safeguarding Officers:

Infant Jesus, Koroit	Leisa McCosh
St Patrick's, Port Fairy	Peter Sanderson
St Joseph's, W'bool	Matthew O'Brien
St Pius X, W'bool West	Karen Johnson
OLHC, W'bool East	Dion Bartlett

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We recognise the traditional custodians of parish lands. We acknowledge their ancestors with respect and we are committed to working for justice and reconciliation.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 28/29 September, 2024

World Day of Migrants and Refugees, 2024

We are becoming familiar these days to the words 'synodal' and 'synodality' These ancient but new words for us in Australia, refer to our 'walking together' with the Lord 'as the People of God journeying through history on pilgrimage, toward the kingdom of heaven'.
 The Pope, in his message on the 110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees, contrasts the images of the biblical exodus and migrants. There are similarities. These include the fleeing 'from oppression, abuse, insecurity, discrimination and lack of opportunities for development'. (Archbishop Christopher Prowse)

God, Almighty Father,
 We are your pilgrim Church
 journeying towards the Kingdom of heaven.

We live in our homeland, but as if we were foreigners.
 Every foreign place is our home,
 yet every native land is foreign to us.

Though we live on earth, our true citizenship is in heaven.
 Do not let us become possessive of the portion of the world
 you have given us as a temporary home.

Help us to keep walking,
 together with our migrant brothers and sisters,
 toward the eternal dwelling you have prepared for us.

Open our eyes and our hearts
 so that every encounter with those in need
 becomes an encounter with Jesus, your Son and our Lord. Amen.

Cuppa after 10:30am Mass: St Joseph's

Please join us for refreshments after Mass - an opportunity to share the different foods from the various nationalities that form our Parish.



Retired Priests Fund

The amount of \$4,135 was received for the support for our retired Priests. Receipts will be posted prior to the end of the financial year for those who requested them. Thank you.

St Vincent de Paul Feast Day

On September 27, the Catholic Church remembers Saint Vincent de Paul, the French 17th century priest, known as the patron of Catholic charities for his apostolic work among the poor and marginalized. During a September 2010 Angelus address, Pope Benedict XVI noted that St. Vincent "keenly perceived the strong contrast between the richest and the poorest of people," and was "encouraged by the love of Christ" to "organize permanent forms of service" to provide for those in need. Thanks to the many generous parishioners who respond to 'the cries of the poor'

Infant Jesus: 'Mothers who Pray for their Children' meet Friday at 10.45am. South West Co-ordinator Marita 0402 431 053

St Joseph's: Bible Study: Wednesday's: 7:00pm

OLHC: Holy Hour every Monday at 10:00am

Rosary for September: Mondays at 7:00pm at OLHC
 Men's Breakfast Sat 5th Oct at OLHC 8:00am - 9:15am

St Patrick's: Piety Shop has beautiful gifts of all sorts for your spiritual needs. Contact 0402 431 053

St Anne's Purnim: Tues 1 Oct: Rosary for Freda Gleeson (7:00pm)

St Mary MacKillop Chapel, St Pius X

The Mary MacKillop Chapel will be having minor refurbishment soon and in order for this work to start the Chapel needs to be cleared. If you have any devotional items you would like to collect, please do so no later than this weekend. Remaining items will be placed in storage. Thank you.

Parish Safeguarding

Please contact the Office to register your email (to receive the link to the training module) or to find out how we can help you complete this important training.

Thanks to the number of parishioners who have responded this past week. Mr Michael Myers can assist with any questions about how to complete the training online or on paper.

Ph. 5337 7121 or email: michael.myers@ballarat.catholic.org.au

 Congratulations to Betty Rodgers on her 100th Birthday.

Church Roof at St Joseph's

The new slate roof on St Joseph's Church is well under way with the west side having been completed this week.

For the next couple of weeks there will be scaffolding in the Church car park area. This will impact on some car parking spaces and possibly access to the Church. Thank you for your understanding as this work continues for the following few weeks.

Recent Deaths: Gerard Conheady, Patricia McGuinness (Swan Hill), Freda Gleeson

Anniversaries: Robert Morey, Mary Dunne, Porfirio Pagalilavan, Bert Mugavin, Susan Turner, Marie Paten, Margaret Lee, Daniel Kelly, Julie Walsh, Neil McGillivray, Jean Kelson, Alda Oliveira De Jesus, Christopher Lenehan, Kate Girdlestone

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil
 6:00pm OLHC, Warrnambool East

Sunday Morning
 9:00am Infant Jesus, Koroit
 9:00am St Pius X, Warrnambool West
 10:30am St Joseph's, Warrnambool
 10:30am St Patrick's, Port Fairy
 6:00pm St Joseph's Warrnambool
 *11:00am St Anne's, Purnim
 2nd Sunday of the month (Eucharist)
 *All other Sundays
 Assembly of the Word with Communion

RECONCILIATION

St Joseph's After 10:00am Friday Mass
 OLHC After 10:00am Saturday Mass

NB: Tuesday reconciliation at St Pius X has been discontinued. For the sacrament of Reconciliation outside of regular scheduled times. Please contact the priests of the parish to arrange an appointment.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues	10:00am St Pius X 10:00am St Patrick's
Wed	10:00am St Joseph's 11:00 St Anne's Purnim (Freda Gleeson RIP)
Thur	10:00am OLHC 11:00am Mercy Place
Fri	10:00am St Joseph's 10:00am Infant Jesus
Sat	10:00am OLHC

Pope's Intention for September

For the cry of the earth: Let us pray that each of us listen with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit. Lord, hear us.

Baptisms

An information session takes place at 7:00pm on the second Tuesday of every month in the Gathering Space at St Joseph's.

Next session: Tues 8th October
 Please phone the Parish Office to book.

