

MASSES DURING THE WEEK :

Koroit: Wednesday; Friday 10.00am
Port Fairy: Tuesday; Thursday 10.00am

FUNERAL MASSES WILL ALWAYS TAKE THE PLACE OF ROSTERED WEEKDAY MASSES.

CONFESSIONS: following the last Mass of the week in each of the Parishes or by appointment.

FATIMA STATUE (Port Fairy) Devotions will be in the Church on Tuesday and Thursday (when there is morning Mass) with Rosary from 9.30 am.



THE ROSARY is recited in The Church of The Infant Jesus, Koroit, before each weekday Mass

READINGS NEXT WEEK :

First Reading Is 61:1-2, 10-11

Isaiah proclaims the goodness of the Lord.

Second Reading 1 Thes 5:16-24

Rejoice and pray always.

Gospel Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

The priests and Levites question John's identity.



Koroit Roster

Leader: Leonie Sinnott

Readers: Fran Biber; Margaret Moloney

Extraordinary Ministers: Lorraine Dunne; Clare Gleeson; Kate Dobson

Counters for December: A & T Brady

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for December: Lorraine Dunne; Margaret Moloney

Port Fairy :

Leader: Graeme Munro

Reader: H Robertson

Special Ministers: Henk Winnen; Alicia Moloney; P Sanderson

Gifts: Rita Smith; Mary Gibb

Hospital :

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for December: Helen Moloney; Mary Gibb

MOYNE REGIONAL
CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY

Mass Times 2017

1st Sunday of the month

Koroit (Sat) 6.30 pm

Yambuk 9.00 am

Port Fairy 10.30 am

2nd Sunday of the Month

Port Fairy (Sat) 6.30 pm

Hawkesdale 9.00am

Koroit 10.30 am

3rd Sunday of the Month

Koroit (Sat) 6.30 pm

Orford 9.00 am

Port Fairy 10.30 am

4th Sunday of the Month

Port Fairy (Sat) 6.30 pm

Koroit 10.30 am

5th Sunday of the Month

Koroit (Sat) 6.30 pm

Port Fairy 10.30 am

Easy to remember:
First, third and fifth
Sundays, Mass Sunday
Morning at Port Fairy,

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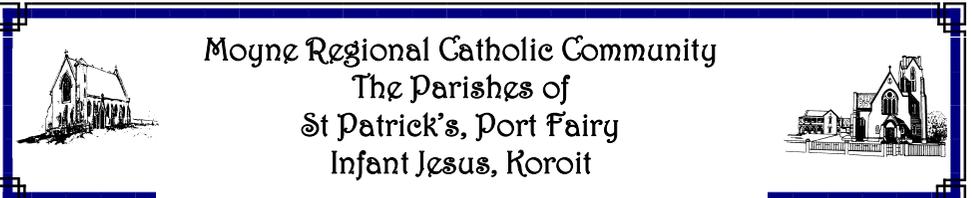
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Moyné Regional Catholic Community
The Parishes of
St Patrick's, Port Fairy
Infant Jesus, Koroit

2nd Sunday In Advent

10.12.2017

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say,

a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people.

His help is near for those who fear him

and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)

2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced.

Faithfulness shall spring from the earth

and justice look down from heaven. (R.)

3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit.

Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his

steps. (R.)

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:

all people shall see the salvation of God.

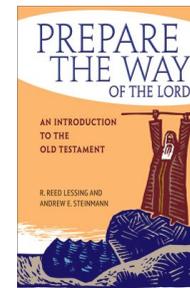
Alleluia!

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

Raymond Sharp

Brother Frank O'Shea who is a Missionary in Africa will be speaking at Our Lady Help of Christians Church East Warrnambool on next Wednesday 13th December about his Work. Brother O'Shea has been inducted as an Inspiring Past Student of Emmanuel College. All Welcome.



Second Sunday of Advent

Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving:
\$285.50
Presbytery: \$220.80

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving:
Presbytery:

Mission Collection totalled
Koroit \$1035.00; Port Fairy
\$1198.50. Thank you all for
your contribution.

Dates to keep in mind:

Sunday December 10: Koroit
- School led Mass

Wednesday December 13:

Koroit, End of School Year Mass
2.00pm

Thursday December 14: End
of School year Mass, Port Fairy

Columban Calendars

**(\$7.00) and Christmas
Cards (\$3.00)** are now avail-
able in Port Fairy (from Henk
Winnen) and Koroit (from the
Piety Stall)

Port Fairy: Rosters for Janu-
ary to April are now available.
Please take your named copy
from the rear of the Church

**Christmas /New Year
Masses 2017/2018**
Saturday 23rd December
6.30pm Port Fairy
Sunday 24th December
10.30am Koroit
**Christmas Eve 24th
December**
6.00pm Port Fairy
7.30pm Koroit
**Christmas Day 25th
December**
9.00am Port Fairy
10.30am Koroit

Weekday Masses that Week
No Masses 26th or 27th
December.

Saturday 30th December
6.30pm Koroit
Sunday 31st December
9.00am & 10.0am Port Fairy

New Year's Day 1st January
10.00am Port Fairy

Masses for January will be
as usual during the Year.
There will be no Country
Masses in January.

Gifting tree

The Koroit St Vincent de Paul Gift-
ing Tree is now at the rear of the
Infant Jesus Church.

This is an opportunity to make
Christmas special for those I need.
Envelopes with donations may be
placed on Sunday collection
plates.
Your donation will be greatly ap-
preciated.



Bishop's Christmas

Collection: This collection will
be taken up on Sunday December
17. In 2017 \$52,000 was distrib-
uted to 14 charities in Australia
and Asia.

From Bishop Paul bird: I com-
mend the Christmas Appeal to
your Parishioners. I am aware
that there are many times
throughout the year when you are
invited to respond to appeals for
very worthy causes, but I hope the
Ballarat diocese can continue to
support this particular appeal. In
anticipation I thank you for your
generosity in your contributions.

Reflection

In the wilderness God's salvation
comes to a broken people. In the
midst of what is seemingly an im-
possible situation, hope emerges
with vigour. In this context, hope is
an openness to surprise, the sur-
prise that God is in no way limited
to the imaginings of human minds
and the consequences of human his-
tory. This is the kind of hope that is
proclaimed in the wilderness by
John; it is the kind of hope that
trusts that from the impossible, God
can work a new creation.

There is something of a time warp
in Christianity. What is future is
made present. The prophetic oracle
announces the future as if it is al-
ready happening. This sense of the
future-present prompts new ways of
living. As the future takes root in
human lives, the present is trans-
formed into a new creation and the
Day of the Lord appears.

God's future comes through the wil-
derness into the broken city and
inspires a broken-hearted people.
The contrite heart is a broken heart,
an emptied-out heart, a hope-filled
heart. It is a heart that is unencum-
bered by the past and that lives cur-
rently in the passing of time and the
fragility of being alive. The contrite,
broken heart can be filled only by
what is promised in the future. This
is the paradox of Advent. In the
middle of the wilderness, God
works the impossible in those
whose hearts are ready for the sur-
prise of hope.