



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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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	
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.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

16/17 November 2024

World Day of the Poor

Sunday, November 17, 2024

"The prayer of the poor rises up to God" (Sirach 21:5)

The World Day of the Poor was established by Pope Francis in 2017 for Catholics to "reflect on how poverty is at the very heart of the Gospel"

'Christian hope embraces the certainty that our prayer reaches God's presence; not just any prayer but rather the prayer of the poor!'

'The poor hold a privileged place in God's heart. God knows the sufferings of his children because he is an attentive and caring father. As a father, he takes care of those who are most in need: the poor, the marginalized, the suffering, and the forgotten.

No one is excluded from his heart, for in his eyes, we are all poor and needy. We are all beggars because without God, we would be nothing.' (Pope Francis)

**Communion from the Chalice
(Excerpts from the Bishop's letter)**

Dear People of the Diocese,
 I consider that it is time to reintroduce the option of communion from the chalice ...

In the diocese of Ballarat, communities may reintroduce the option of communion from the chalice from **November 1** this year ...

The common aim is to allow the faithful to receive Christ under the appearance of wine as well as under the appearance of bread, following the words of Jesus "Take and eat" and "Take and drink". In this way, communion is more clearly a sign of sharing in Christ's heavenly banquet.

Anyone feeling unwell should refrain from taking the chalice.
 May the revival of this practice enrich our celebration of communion with Christ and with one another. (Bishop Paul)

NB: We will recommence the option of communion from the chalice on the weekend 30 Nov/1 Dec. (Fr John)

Anniversaries: John Newman, John Claffey, Rosemary Claffey, Tom Esam, Gordon Esam, Olga Ryan, Mack Lancaster, Patrick O'Callaghan, Michael McElgunn, Harry Lindsey, John Lindsey, Ian Morey

Advent and Christmas Daily Reflections

The Light features beautiful religious artworks from the Masters such as Hunt, Van Dyck and Bellini, with "Artwork Spotlight" reflections. As well as many other contributors to The Light, Fr John Corrigan has a reflection included.



Hope Reigns seeks to help us prepare for the birth of Emmanuel, God with us. Br Damien Price cfc has written the daily reflections. Each Sunday has been formatted to be able to assist those who would lead a small group through a time of sharing, prayer and discussion. Also suitable for individual use. Available from the Office \$5 each.

Wedding: Congratulations to Genevive Lenehan & Andrew Gillies on their wedding this weekend.

Baptisms: We welcome Sophia Green into our faith community.

OLHC: Holy Hour every Monday at 10:00am

St Patrick's: Piety Shop - for Nativity Crib (pre-payment required), Columban calendars and Christmas Cards orders call 0402 431 053

St Joseph's: Please Note - No bible study this week
Rosary for November: Mondays at 7:00pm OLHC

Blessing of the Mary MacKillop Chapel - St Pius X

Morning tea for the month of November will take place on 24th after the blessing of the commemoration plaque and the Mary MacKillop Chapel. Please contact Annette 0458 622 529 if you can help with the morning tea.

St Joseph's Book of Remembrance

The Book will be available in the Church throughout the month of November to record the names of deceased family members and friends you wish to remember.

CBC 60th Re-union

Students from the same class, who attended CBC between 1955—1969 have gathered this weekend for a 60th re-union in Warrnambool. This morning a number of the class are attending the 10:30am Mass at St Joseph's. (Jim Delaney)

Warrnambool Symphony Orchestra

'Frankenstein' Annual Children's Concert Sunday Nov 24 Shows at 11:30am & 2:30pm at the Lighthouse Theatre.

Christmas Day Lunch

Christmas is a time for sharing with family and friends, but for some this is not possible. You are welcome to share a luncheon on Christmas Day (St Joseph's Hall) 12noon to 1.30pm. Bookings essential. Mary 0409 158 177 or Parish Office 5562 2231

Lay-Led Assembly

Funerals do affect weekday Masses. If the various communities could have lay-led Assemblies on these occasions it would be helpful and less disruptive. All communities have been invited to prepare for Assemblies in case of an emergency on a Sunday or during the week. (Fr John)

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues	10:00am St Pius X 10:00 St Patrick's
Wed	10:00am St Joseph's
Thurs	10:00am OLHC 11:00am Mercy Place
Fri	10:00am St Joseph's 10:00am Infant Jesus
Sat	No Mass due to Deacon Cay Trinh's Ordination

Pope's Intention for November

For Anyone Who Has Lost A Child
 We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit. Amen

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:

Tuesday 10th December
 Please phone the Parish Office to book.

