

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 Jb 7:1-4. 6-7 Life is a drudgery.

Second Reading 1 Cor 9:16-19. 22-23

Paul is compelled to preach the Gospel.

Gospel Mk 1:29-39

Jesus heals Simon's mother-in-law.



Koroit Roster February 4

Leader: Margaret Cashill

Readers: Lorraine Dunne; Doreen Bowron

Extraordinary Ministers: Carmel Noonan; Christine Russell; Marie Lane

Counters for February: Jim Madden; Maurice Mahony

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for February: Christine Russell; Betty Bishop

Port Fairy : February 4

Leader: Helen Robertson

Reader: Jean Fitzgibbon

Special Ministers: Sr Maureen; J Moloney; Aileen sully

Gifts: M Gibb; J Corfield

Hospital : M Murrily

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for February: Marj Murrily; Bernice Kent

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



4th Sunday in Ordinary time

28.01.2018

**Responsorial Psalm
(R.) If today, you hear his voice,**

harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;

hail the rock who saves us.

Let us come before him, giving

thanks,

with songs let us hail the

Lord. (R.)

2. Come in, let us kneel and

bend low;

let us kneel before the God who

made us

for he is our God and we

the people who belong to his

pasture,

the flock that is led by his

hand. (R.)

3. O that today you would listen to his voice!

'Harden not your hearts as

at Meribah,

as on that day at Massah in the

desert

when your fathers put me to the

test;

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

A people in darkness have seen a great light:

a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death.

Alleluia!



Recent Deaths:

Will Verdonck; Kevin Kearney;

Anniversaries : Peter McLean



Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving: \$628.50
Presbytery: \$273.00

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving: \$710.00
Presbytery: \$525.15

Dates to keep in mind:

Monday 29th January

Koroit Building committee will meet in the Presbytery at 1.00pm.

Monday, March 26, 2018 Mass of the Oils in Ballarat

Used Stamps: a reminder that Mary Dalton is still collection stamps for charity. The box is at the back of the church. All donations help with fund raising for our needy neighbours.

By seeing the works and hearing the words of the man Jesus, we gain an insight into the character of God that was otherwise unknown and unknowable - God's love, compassion and mercy, God's care and concern for individuals, especially the poor, the sick, the weak, the outcasts, those whom Jesus called 'God's little ones'.

Care of the Planet

For Pope Francis the issue of global environmental degradation was so critical that in 2015 he promulgated the encyclical *On Care of our Common Home*. This social teaching of the church aligns our spiritual conversation with our care of creation:

The ecological crisis is ... a summons to profound interior conversation ... whereby the effects of our encounter with Jesus Christ becomes evident in our relationship with the world around us. Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience.

Since the beginning of the new millennium, numerous papal and church statements have emphasised the need to re-interpret and re-define the relationship between human beings and their environment. In 2004 the Bishops of Queensland wrote a pastoral letter on the Great Barrier Reef called *Let the Coastlines be Glad* - a reference to psalm 97. At the beginning of this letter, the bishops summed up well the conversion of heart that has taken place in recent decades:

Care for the environment and a keener ecological awareness have become key moral issues for the Christian conscience. The Holy spirit is clearly guiding us into a deeper sense of companionship and care in regard to all the varied forms of life on planet Earth.



REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant CSS

Discipleship requires a change in us. We want to change because in so many ways we are being strangled to death by demons. We are caught in dysfunction and sin; we live in the midst of the battle between good and evil, the struggle of human finitude and failure. We are plunged into the throes of human suffering and pain, and there seems to be no escape.

The demonic seduces us in more ways than we can count and we are often caught in its web before we recognise what has happened. There have always been many and

varied voices that claim to have the remedy for our ills. Preachers and politicians have stirred up crowds and ignited their emotions. Promises have been made and predictions advanced, yet the conflict goes on, the demons continue to hold sway. The demon recognised the authority in the voice of Jesus. Do we recognise it?

When we are released by Jesus from the demons that possess us, we are freed from the stranglehold of evil and liberated to live far less encumbered and divided lives. No Earthly reality will possess us, neither relationships nor obligations nor even religious practices. Rather, we will be possessed by Christ who liberates us for the reign of God. Therefore, whether married or unmarried, whether in the midst of the community or at its margins, we will be able to heed the voice of God in our hearts and to recognise Jesus in our midst.

