

THE PARISH PUMP

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington & St Pius X, West Warrnambool

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SUNDAY 6th JUNE 2021

CORPUS CHRISTI

Safety Officer: Karen Johnson **Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes**

SUNDAY MASSES AFTER LOCKDOWN 4.0

Current restrictions on places of worship permit a density quotient of one person per four square metres, up to 50 people.

That means 44 worshippers are allowed at St Patrick's Port Fairy, and 50 worshippers are allowed at Infant Jesus, Koroit and St Pius X, West Warrnambool.

To make that work, we need to initiate a booking system for Sunday Mass. This will be organised early next week.

NB: There are no Sunday Masses this weekend.

RESUMPTION OF WEEKDAY MASSES

Weekday Masses will resume as normal this week. There are a few changes to be aware of, but nothing we haven't done before:

- Each person is required to check in on arrival, preferably using the government provided QR code. Alternatively, please record your full name, a phone number, and the time of your arrival on the paper provided.
- We are required to wear masks.
- We are required to maintain 1.5 metre social distancing.



Pope Francis on Corpus Christi

We cannot do without the Eucharist, for it is God's memorial. And it heals our wounded memory. So many people have memories marked by a lack of affection and bitter disappointments caused by those who should have given them love and instead orphaned their hearts. We would like to go back and change the past, but we cannot. God can heal these wounds by placing within our memory a greater love: his own love. The Eucharist brings us the Father's faithful love, which heals our sense of being orphans.

Through the Eucharist, the Lord also heals our negative memory, that negativity that seeps so often into our hearts. The Lord heals this negative memory, which drags to the surface things that have gone wrong and leaves us with the sorry notion that we are useless, that we only make mistakes, that we are ourselves a mistake. Jesus comes to tell us that this is not so. He wants to be close to us. Every time we receive him, he reminds us that we are precious, that we are guests he has invited to his banquet, friends with whom he wants to dine...because he is truly in love with us. The Lord knows that evil and sins do not define us; they are diseases, infections. And he comes to heal them with the Eucharist, which contains the antibodies to our negative memory. With Jesus, we can become immune to sadness.

NEXT SUNDAY, 10:30am MASS

13th June: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First & Second Readings: G. Ewing

Prayer of the Faithful: P. Starkie

Holy Communion: Claire Murrhoy

Counters: Barry Stapleton

WEEKDAY LITURGIES IN OUR REGION

Mon 7th	9:30am Mass, St Pius X
Tue 8th	9:30am Mass, Our Lady's 10:00am Mass, St Patrick's
Wed 9th	9:30am Mass, Our Lady's 10:00am Mass, Infant Jesus 10:00am Mass, St Joseph's
Thu 10th	9:30am Mass, Our Lady's 10:00am Mass, St Patrick's
Fri 11th	9:30am Mass, Our Lady's 10:00am Mass, St Joseph's 6:00pm Mass, St Pius X
Sat 12th	9:30am Mass, Our Lady's

CONFESSION TIMES IN OUR REGION

Mon 7th	5pm to 6pm, St Pius X
Tue 8th	None
Wed 9th	5pm to 6pm, St Pius X
Thu 10th	5pm to 6pm, St Pius X
Fri 11th	After 9:30am Mass, Our Lady's After 10am Mass, St Joseph's 5pm to 6pm, St Pius X
Sat 12th	10am to 11am, St Pius X

Recent deaths:

Frank Farley, Kevin Haberfield.

Anniversaries:

George Lancaster, Mary Peacock.