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SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

St John's Dennington	Ben van de Camp
St Patrick's Koroit	Nick Murrell
St Patrick's Port Fairy	Olga Lyons
St Joseph's W'bool	Matthew O'Brien
St Pius X W'bool West	Stacey Atkins (Interim)
OLHC W'bool East	Stephen Madden

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	Nick Murrell
St Patrick's, Port Fairy	Peter Sanderson
St Joseph's, W'bool	Anne Maree Mugavin
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.

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 13th & 14th January 2024

Commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat

2024 marks the 150th anniversary of the promulgation of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat, along with the Diocese of Sandhurst (Bendigo) & the elevation of Melbourne to an Archdiocese. A calendar of events within our local parish and the broader Diocese are on the new *What's On* parish handout.

Bishop Paul's Visit

In honour of the occasion, Bishop Paul Bird will be visiting our Parish for two weekends on the 2 /3 and the 9 /10 of March. Historical Displays honouring the history of church communities, including those that have closed in recent years, will be erected in each of our current churches those two weekends and refreshments will be provided at the conclusion of the Saturday/Sunday masses celebrated by the Bishop.

Historical Material

The parish is asking parishioners who may have any stories, pictures or objects related to the history of their church community, that they would be happy to have displayed over the weekend, to please bring them to the parish office no later than the second week of February. Please attach your name and phone number. Your contributions will really make the displays relatable and give them a personal depth they otherwise wouldn't have. If anyone would like to assist in the production of the displays for the weekend or the refreshments at the conclusion of the masses please contact the parish office.

Recent Deaths: Michael 'Ollie'O'Donnell(Melb), Belinha Ximenes, Oliviro De Deus Maia,

Anniversaries: Helen Goss, Maureen Schramm, Marie Lynch, Peter McNamara, Kathleen McCarthy, Patsy Hare, Jean Pasco Peter Morrissey, Claire Haylock, Kim Gore, Michael & Mary McInerney, Patricia Tregea, Micheal & Sheila O'Sullivan, Jack Griffin, Joyce Paten, Colin Sommer, Gail Bartlett, Graeme Horan

Amendments to the *What's On* Handout

Friday 9th Feb at 12:30pm, St. Patrick's Port Fairy Opening School Mass at St. Patrick's Church Port Fairy.

Timorese Mission

Please find the advertising material for the Parish Timorese Mission for the weekends of the 13/14 and 20/21 of January on the church notice boards.

Feast Day of Santo Niño de Cebú (*Infant Jesus of Cebú*)

Next Sunday the Filipino community of Star of the Sea Parish will be celebrating the feast day of Santo Niño de Cebú. Join the Filipino and local church community of Infant Jesus Koroit at the 9:00am parish mass for a special liturgical celebration followed by a *fiesta* of food, song and dance in the parish hall. Please bring a plate if you are able.

OLHC:

Holy Hour 10.00am every Monday

St Pius X:

Rosary - Mondays during January at 7:00pm
 Volunteers are needed and most welcome to help with Church cleaning. Please contact the Office 5562 2231

St Patrick's:

The Piety Shop calendars, cards and religious items for sale. Enquiries Marita (0402 431 053)

Baptisms:

We welcome into our community this weekend; Elke Dowell, Felix Mugavin and Teddy Castle

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Time and again in John's Gospel, Jesus takes charge of a conversation and leads questioners down an unexpected path towards deeper understanding. Today, when he notes the curiosity of the two disciples, he asks them what they want. Perhaps taken by surprise, they say simply that they want to see where he lives. Jesus' reply – 'Come and see' – is much more than an invitation to inspect his abode, wherever that may have been.

It's more like Wisdom's summons to the banquet she has prepared (Proverbs 9:5). The foolish are invited to eat and drink at her table to gain insight and understanding. Jesus is forever asking us to come and see, to spend time in his company and find grace and truth.

Praying with Pope Francis

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old.

Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil
 6:00pm OLHC, Warrnambool East

Sunday Morning
 8:30am St Joseph's, Warrnambool
 9:00am Infant Jesus, Koroit
 9:00am OLHC, Warrnambool East
 10:00am St Pius X, Warrnambool West
 10:30am St Joseph's, Warrnambool
 10:30am St Patrick's, Port Fairy
 11:00am St Anne's, Purnim*
 *Eucharist 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month;
 Assembly of the Word with Communion 1st & 3rd

Sunday Evening
 6:00pm St Joseph's, Warrnambool

RECONCILIATION

St Patrick's	After 10:00am Tuesday Mass
OLHC	After 10:00am Thursday Mass
St Joseph's	After 10:00am Friday Mass
Infant Jesus	After 10:00am Friday Mass
St Pius X	After 10:00am Saturday Mass


WEEKDAY MASSES

NB: MASS OF THE DAY IS REPLACED WHEN A FUNERAL IS HELD AT THAT CHURCH.

Tuesday	10:00 St Pius X 10:00 St Patricks
Wednesday	10:00 St Joseph's
Thursday	10:00am Our Lady Help of Christians
Friday	10:00am St Joseph's 10:00am Infant Jesus
Saturday	10.00am St Pius X

The Pope's intention for January
For the gift of diversity:

Let us pray that the Spirit helps us recognise the gifts of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

Baptisms: An information session takes place at 7pm on the second Tuesday of every month in the Gathering Space at St Joseph's. 
Next session: Tuesday, 13th February
 Please phone Parish Office to book in.