

MOYNE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

St Patrick's Parish, Port Fairy Infant Jesus Parish, Koroit



Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 16th November and Sunday 17th November 2019

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn Acclaim the King, the Lord.

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Let the sea and within it thunder; The world, and all its peoples. Let the rivers clap their hands. and the hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord.

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

For the Lord comes.

He comes to rule the earth.

He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness.

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Lift up your heads and see;
your redemption is near at hand.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please remember **Brian Shanahan** and **Alma Turner** whose anniversaries occur at this time.



FR JOHN'S WEEKDAY MASSES

10am Wednesday
Infant Jesus, Koroit

10am Thursday (Presentation of B.V.M.)

St Patrick's Port Fairy

10am Friday (St Cecilia)

St Joseph's Warrnambool



2pm Friday 6th December **St Patrick's School, Koroit**

THANK YOU FOR GIVING

Weekly presbytery collection

Koroit: \$321.00 Port Fairy: \$256.20 **Monthly planned giving (Oct)**

Koroit pledged: \$2,162.00 Koroit received: \$2,513.00 Port Fairy pledged: \$1,512.00 Port Fairy received: \$1,474.00



NATIONAL PRAYER CAMPAIGN FOR THE END OF DROUGHT

The Catholic Bishops of Australia are encouraging people across the country to pray for the gift of rain.

Eternal God, In wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our drought-stricken land, on our starving animals, on our failing crops.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them.

In your loving providence, send abundant rain and restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion,
hear our prayer
through Jesus Christ your Son,
in whom the promise of new life
has dawned,
and through the power
of the Holy Spirit,
the Lord the giver of life:
renew your faithful people;
renew the face of the earth.

Holy Mary, help of Christians, *pray for us*. St Mary of the Cross, *pray for us*.





ST PATRICK'S PORT FAIRY SCHOOL NEWS

Sue Paulka begins the new year in a new role at the Catholic Education Office in Warrnambool, as



Leader in Learning and Teaching. Although we will miss her as principal, we are fortunate to benefit from Sue's continuing presence in the Port Fairy parish and community.

Bishop Paul Bird has ratified Fr John Fitzgerald's appointment of *Peter Sanderson* as interim principal for the 2020 school year, and *Andrea Lane* as deputy principal. The vacant principalship will be advertised mid-May 2020 with the expectation that an appointment will be made for 2021 and beyond.

Congratulations to Sue, Peter and Andrea. May God bless them and the communities they serve.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

at Mickey Bourke's Koroit Hotel,
Sunday 1st December.
\$25 per person.
All welcome!

RSVP: Wednesday 27th November Call Clare Gleeson 5565 8427 or Carmel Madden 0448 468 971

Christmas Cards — \$3 per pack Columban Calendars — \$8 each These items are available to buy after every Sunday Mass until Christmas.

GOOD SAMARITAN SISTERS MISSION

The Sisters of the Good Samaritan Missions Support Group wish to thank all who supported the pre-Melbourne Cup Coffee Morning at St Brigid's Crossley on Monday 4th November. Your support was greatly and gratefully appreciated. You helped to raise \$4,651.80 on the day.

PLENARY COUNCIL MEETING Our Lady's, East Warrnambool 3pm today (Sunday 17th Nov)

You are invited to our next regional meeting of discernment: *How is God calling us to be a Christ centred Church that is prayerful and eucharistic?*

FREE MAGAZINES

New editions of *Australian Catholic* and *Our Diocesan Community* are now available. Please take a copy home.



PT FAIRY CHRISTMAS CAROLS

6pm-8pm, Sunday 15th December



SCRIPTURE REFLECTION by Fr Francis Fernandez

WORK UNTIL THE LORD'S COMING

In these final Sundays of the liturgical year, the Church invites the faithful to meditate on the Last Things. In today's First Reading the Prophet Malachi speaks in the most graphic terms of the end of time: "The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of Hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk." Jesus warns us in today's Gospel that we must be alert for his coming again: "The time is near at hand."

There were some Christians in the early Church who believed that the Second Coming was very imminent. They became so preoccupied about the approaching end of the world that they stopped bothering about practicalities, living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. St Paul laments this situation in today's Second Reading. He gives the faithful a memorable precept: "Do not let anyone have any food if he refuses to do any work." To those with nothing to do, St Paul says: "In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat."

Life is short, and our encounter with Jesus is near. Some time in the future He will come in glory, and our bodies will be resurrected. These considerations should move us to become detached from earthly goods, to make good use of our time, to be doing a lively apostolate in the middle of the world. We must have our eyes set on Heaven, but at the same time, we need to have our feet firmly planted on earth. The Second Vatican Council was very insistent on the value of human work: "This Council exhorts Christians, as citizens

of two cities, to strive to discharge their earthly duties conscientiously and in response to the Gospel spirit. They are mistaken who, knowing that we have here no abiding city but seek one which is to come, think that they may therefore shirk their earthly responsibilities. For they are forgetting that by the faith itself they are more obliged than ever to measure up to these duties, each according to his proper vocation." These words summarize the imitation of Christ for the modern laity.

We should work with intensity to give glory to God, to provide for the needs of our family, to improve our society. If we are not engaged in conscientious work, in some real service to others, how are we to sanctify ourselves in the middle of the world? It is only logical that for work to be acceptable to God it must first be acceptable to our neighbours. Looking at things with complete impartiality, let us each ask ourselves: Am I really earning my salary or my wage?

WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH

Our Child Safe Policies can be read at our church entrances and on our webpages. Our safe-guarding officer is Peter Sanderson.

KOROIT: 24th November, 10:30am

Leader: Helen Carey.

Readers: Fiona Moir, Gerard Auld.

Communion: Christine Russell, Jenny Auld, Betty

Bishop.

Gifts: Wendy and Michael Lane and family.

Counters for November: Des Keane, Michael

Lane.

Cleaning and Flowers for November: Maureen

Gavin, Maria Smith.

PT FAIRY: 23rd November, 6:30pm

Leader: K. Robertson. **Readers:** Joan McLean.

Communion: P. Sanderson, Sr Maureen, Kasey

Louden.

Gifts: H. and B. Moloney.

Cleaning and Flowers for November: Mary

Moyle, Julie Condon.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading. 2 Samuel 5:1-3.

They anointed David king of Israel.

Second Reading. Colossians 1:12-20.

The Father has created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves.

Gospel. *Luke* 23:35-43.

"Today you will be with me in paradise."

SUNDAY MASSES

1st Sunday of the month

Koroit (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat Port Fairy: 10.30am Sun

2nd Sunday of the month

Port Fairy (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat Koroit: 10.30am Sun

3rd Sunday of the month

Koroit (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat Port Fairy: 10.30am Sun

4th Sunday of the month

Port Fairy (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat Koroit: 10.30am Sun

5th Sunday of the month

Koroit (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat Port Fairy: 10.30am Sun

RECONCILIATION

5pm-6:15pm, Saturday at the place of the Vigil Mass.

ALSO:

5pm–6pm, Wednesday Infant Jesus, Koroit

5pm–6pm, Thursday St Patrick's, Port Fairy

After 9:30am Friday Mass Our Lady's, East Warrnambool

After 10am Friday Mass St Joseph's, Warrnambool

After 10am Saturday Mass St Pius X, West Warrnambool

CANONICAL ADMINISTRATOR: Fr John Fitzgerald, <u>john.fitzgerald@ballarat.catholic.org.au</u>
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