

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 Is 40:1-5, 9-11
In the desert make ready the way of the Lord.

Second Reading 2 Pt 3:8-14

The Lord shows great patience.

Gospel Mk 1:1-8

John the Baptist proclaims the coming of the Messiah.



Koroit Roster

Leader: Fiona Moir

Readers: Mark Moloney; Gerard Auld

Extraordinary Ministers: Jenny Auld; Maryanne Evans; John Rea

Gifts: Mary Kelly

Counters for December: A & T Brady

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for December: Lorraine Dunne; Margaret Moloney

Port Fairy :

Leader: Rita Smith

Reader: K Robertson

Special Ministers: Henk Winnen; Alicia Moloney; P Sanderson

Gifts: W & J Paton

Hospital : H Winnen; M Gibb

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for December: Helen Moloney; Mary Gibb

Parish Priest: Fr. William van de Camp

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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,

Moynè Regional Catholic Community
The Parishes of
St Patrick's, Port Fairy
Infant Jèsus, Koroit



1st Sunday In Advent

03.12.2017

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

1. O shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne.

O Lord, rouse up your might, O Lord, come to our help. (R.)

2. God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. (R.)

3. May your hand be on the man you have chosen, the man you have given your strength. And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. (R.)

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

Recent Deaths:

Kay Harbeck

Anniversaries:

Veronica Brown; Robert Brown
Fay McAlinden



Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving: \$537.00
Presbytery: \$478.00

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving: \$391.00
Presbytery: \$291.80

Dates to keep in mind:

Sunday December 10: Koroit - School led Mass

Wednesday December 13: Koroit, End of School Year Mass 2.00pm

Thursday December 14: End of School year Mass, Port Fairy

Columban Calendars (\$7.00) and Christmas Cards (\$3.00)

are now available in Port Fairy (from Henk Winnen) and Koroit (from the Piety Stall)

Port Fairy: Rosters for January to April are now available. Please take your named copy from the rear of the Church



Christmas /New Year Masses 2017/2018
Saturday 23rd December
6.00pm Port Fairy
Sunday 24th December
10.30am Koroit
Christmas Eve 24th December
6.00pm Port Fairy
7.30pm Koroit
Christmas Day 25th December
9.00am Port Fairy
10.30am Koroit

Weekday Masses that Week
No Masses 26th or 27th
December.

Sunday 31st December
6.30pm Koroit
9.00am & 10.0am Port Fairy

New Year's Day 1st January
10.00am Port Fairy

Masses for January will be as usual during the Year. There will be no Country Masses in January.

Giftng tree

The Koroit St Vincent de Paul Giftng Tree is now at the rear of the Infant Jesus Church.

This is an opportunity to make Christmas special for those I need. Envelopes with donations may be placed on Sunday collection plates.

Your donation will be greatly appreciated.



Bishop's Christmas

Collection: This collection will be taken up on Sunday December 17. In 2017 \$52,000 was distributed to 14 charities in Australia and Asia.

From Bishop Paul bird: I commend the Christmas Appeal to your Parishioners. I am aware that there are many times throughout the year when you are invited to respond to appeals for very worthy causes, but I hope the Ballarat diocese can continue to support this particular appeal. In anticipation I thank you for your generosity in your contributions.

REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant CSS

Today's readings contain several images: the faithfulness of those who suffer, even as they lament their predicament; the admonition to watch and wait; the expectation of the coming of the Day of the Lord. As trustees of the one who is coming, we live in the 'in between' time of ambiguity and hope. The placement of these readings at the beginning of Advent shapes the context for understanding the entire season. They fix our gaze on the world of human pain and then moves beyond it to the hope of a brighter future. Lamentation and expectation find fulfilment in the Day of the Lord.

Waiting is a prominent image this Sunday. Some people wait to be released from suffering, others await the second coming of Christ. Waiting saps our energies and stifles our enthusiasm. Yet wait we must, and as we wait, we wonder: 'What should I be doing?' The readings suggest that we should wait with patient expectation for the day of reconciliation and peace; we should wait in joyful hope that what is to come will come soon. While we wait, we should faithfully fulfil our responsibilities. We believe that we have a future worth waiting for, that there are promises that God will keep. And so we look expectantly to the Day of the Lord, that future day