MASSES DURING THE WEEK:

Koroit: Tuesday; 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 11:1-10

A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse. Peace and justice will triumph.

Second Reading

Rom 15:4-9 Live in harmony with one another.

Gospel Mt 3:1-12

John the Baptist begins to preach in the desert

Koroit

Leader: Margaret Cashill

Readers: Lorraine Dunne; Doreen Bowron

Extraordinary Ministers: Carmel Noonan Christine Russell; 4th Sunday of the Month

Maree Lane

Gifts: Maureen Gavin & Bernadette Kirsch Counters for December: A & T Brady

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for December: Lorraine

Dunne; Margaret Moloney

Port Fairy: SCHOOL LED MASS

Leader: Reader:

Special Ministers:

Gifts:

Hospital: Marj Murrihy

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for December: Helen

Moloney; Mary Gibb

MOYNE REGIONAL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Weekend Mass Times 2016

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

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,

Parish Priest: Fr. William van de Camp

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1st Sunday of Advent

Responsorial Psalm (R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

1. I rejoiced when I heard them sav:

'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem. (R.)

2. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord. For Israel's law it is. there to praise the Lord's name. There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David. (R.)

- 3. For the peace of Jerusalem pray: 'Peace be to your homes! May peace reign in your walls, in your palaces, peace!' (R.)
- 4. For love of my brethren and friends

I say: 'Peace upon you!' For love of the house of the Lord I will ask for your good. (R.)

Gospel Acclamation

27.11.2016

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:

to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

(You are reminded that Gospel Acclamation, if not sung, is to be omitted)

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

Annie Collins; Fred and Vera Pillar; Christine Freckleton; Michael Mee; Veronica Brown.





Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving:

\$335.00

Presbytery: \$232.20

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving: \$656.50 Presbytery: \$465.10

St Patrick's Church (Port Fairy)

Welcome back after our main renovations - the painting is finished and the committee is pleased with the result. There is still the west window to be fixed and a few other bits and pieces but we are getting there!

Weekday Masses will resume on Tuesday at 10.00am

Statues: Our statues are in need of quite a bit of quite costly restoration. The suggestion has been made that instead of coloured, they could be painted a sandstone colour, in keeping with what they would have been originally. Father has a statue here today which has been rendered in a sandstone colour. Your thoughts would be appreciated.

Kneelers: It has also been suggested that the kneelers be removed from the pews. What do you think?

Columban Calendars and Christmas cards are now available from Henk outside the St Patrick's Church and also at



Infant Jesus Church at the piety stall. Calendars \$7.00; Cards \$3.00

Gifting Tree

Koroit St Vincent de Paul Gifting Tree is now at the rear of the Infant Jesus church. This is an opportunity to make Christmas special for those in need. Envelopes with donations may be placed on Sunday's collection plate. Your donation will be greatly appreciated.

Farewell

St Pat's School, Port Fairy, invites all present and past students, parents and community members to a farewell to Pauline Haberfield who is retiring after 31 years at St Pat's.

Thursday 1st December
1.45 - 3.20pm
St Patrick's Hall
RSVP 55681371

Advent—Where does the word advent come from and what does it mean same. They represent the presence of God in our midst, and this presence is the goal of our

Advent is a term from the Latin word 'adventus' which means "arrival". It is a time of waiting for the arrival of Christmas, the coming of Jesus to **earth** when he was born as a baby at Bethlehem about two thousand years ago

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSS

We may be accustomed to think of Advent as the time when we prepare for the coming of God, but the readings also train our attention on our own journey to God. We see this most clearly in this first Sunday with readings that tell us the identity of the pilgrims, the destination toward which they travel, and the way of life that is required of them on their journey. As the Vatican Council has proclaimed: We are a pilgrim people.

Both the reading from Isaiah and the psalm response speak of the pilgrimage to the mountain of the Lord, the place where God can be found. Although the psalm speaks about Jerusalem and refers to the temple there, the broader theological significance of the mountain, the city and the temple is one and the

same. They represent the presthis presence is the goal of our striving. There are clear directions about how we are to live while we are on this pilgrimage to God. In Isaiah we learn that we must put away our instruments of violence and hatred. our swords and our spears. Lest we pick them up again, we are told to convert them into lifeproducing implements, into ploughs and pruning hooks. Paul exhorts us to put away our deeds of darkness and selfindulgence and to clothe ourselves instead in the deeds of Jesus Christ. Matthew points out the need for alertness, attentiveness, a disposition that is open to a change of heart.

