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: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 The Sanhedrin tells the apostles not to mention Jesus

Second Reading: Rv 5:11-14 John hears the voices of angels Gospel: Jn 21:1-19 Jesus questions Peter.

Koroit

Leader: Fiona Moir

Readers: Mark Moloney; Gerard Auld

Extraordinary Ministers: Jenny Auld; Maryanne Evans;

John Rea.

Gifts: Mary Kelly

Counters for April: A & T Brady

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for April: Barbara Mills; Koroit 10.30 am

Lorraine Dunne

Port Fairy:

Leader: Martina Murrihy Reader: Jean Fitzgibbon

Special Ministers: John Hoy: David Ryan: Teresa Wales

Gifts: E & M Bishop

Hospital: Mary Gibb; Henk Winnen

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for April: 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

4th Sunday of the Month

Port Fairy (Sat) 6.30 pm

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,

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Moyne Regional Catholic Community The Parishes of St Patrick's, Port Fairy Infant Jesus, Koroit



2nd Sunday of Caster

03.04.2016

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Give thanks to the Lord

for he is good, his love is everlasting.

1. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron sav:

'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' (R.)

2. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eves.

This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. (R.)

3. O Lord, grant us salvation:

O Lord grant success.

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;

the true God is our light. (R.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me:

happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

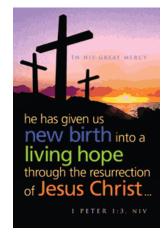
Alleluia!

Recent Deaths:

Jack Arundell

Anniversaries:

Kathleen & Reginald Gall; Elizabeth & Johan Winnen



Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving: Presbytery:

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving \$664.00 Presbytery \$1161.65 Good Friday collection \$372.55

Note of Interest: Since selling the Presbytery and Convent we have notices quite a drop in our insurance payment - it has gone from \$16,583 to \$9226 annually.

The <u>St Vincent de Paul</u> Conference here in Port Fairy has been operating for 74 years. New members are now urgently required otherwise we will have to close down. Men or women may join. Please contact Henk Thank you, Henk Winnen (President)

The launch of the revised and renewed Diocesan Sacraments of Initiation Catechetical Re**source**, "Let the Children Come" was held on Monday, March 21, 2016 at St Patrick's Hall, Ballarat. For example, in relation to the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Council said: "The rite of Confirmation is to be revised and the intimate connection which this sacrament has with the whole of Christian initiation is to be more lucidly set forth: for this reason it will be fitting for candidates to renew their baptismal promises just before they are

confirmed."

The revised program consists of four sessions for Eucharist and four sessions for Confirmation. Each package will include an information book for parents and also available for purchase is a handbook for Catechists. Sample copies of the program were provided for those in attendance to peruse and all parishes have received a complimentary copy of the Eucharist and Confirmation programs.

Laudato Si Care for our Common Home

Pope Francis says he believes that Saint Francis is the example par excellence of care for the vulnerable and of an integral ecology lived out joyfully and authentically. He is the patron saint of all who study and work in the area of ecology, and he is also much loved by non-Christians. He was particularly concerned for God's creation and for the poor and outcast. He loved, and was deeply loved for his joy, his generous self-giving, his openheartedness. He was a mystic and a pilgrim who lived in simplicity and in wonderful harmony with God, with others, with nature and with himself. He shows us just how inseparable the bond is between concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society, and interior peace. (10)

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

The disciples did not purge their group of 'doubting Thomas'. They remained his companions, waiting for something or Someone to be revealed to him with them.

Doubt and questioning are a normal and proper part of being human. We should allow for this within the community of the Church. A point may come where a person may no longer remain in the Church with any integrity. But a dismissive, excluding Church is not the Church of this gospel story.

Within the companionship of the Church a doubter may hear the words: 'Peace be with you.' What sort of peace? It is that inner assurance that, in the midst of all the tribulations and the turmoil and the myriad precursor deaths which we suffer on all sorts of levels, the Conqueror of Death wants to be with us.

How can the Risen Lord be with us? In Holy Communion, and in those counted as least in the world. According to Matthew 25, He *is* those without the necessities of life: food, shelter, medical care, comfort in distress.



We could pause for a moment to savour that Peace which comes from faith in the Conqueror of Death and in his Real Presence in Holy Communion and in those in dire need.



Does he mean us?

When Thomas made his declaration of faith, Jesus said, 'You believe because you can see me. Happy (or Blessed) are those who have not seen and yet believe.' (v29) Because this gospel was written 60 years or so after the time of Jesus, there were indeed many who believed but had not ever seen him. The blessing is on all those who believe without the benefit of a physical encounter of Jesus. Whilst the gospel was written as an acknowledgement of those at the end of the 1st Century, it is also a blessing and encouragement for believers of today!