The Parish Pump

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17 December 2017 3rd Sunday of Advent

West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes



Christmas Mass at St Pius X

Christmas Masses at St Pius X will be celebrated on Christmas Eve and Christmas Morning as follows:

Christmas Eve, Sunday 24 December: 6 p.m. & 8:30 p.m. Christmas Day, Monday 25 December: 10 a.m.

The Mass of the Fourth Sunday of Advent will be celebrated according to the usual timetable – Saturday 23 December at 6 p.m. and Sunday 24 December at 10 a.m.



St Pius X Grade 6 Class

Today we acknowledge St Pius X School's Grade 6 Class of 2017 and wish them well for their secondary education and the years beyond. Every blessing to you all!

St John's School Graduation

There will be a Graduation Mass in St Pius X Church on Monday 18 December at 11 a.m. for 2017's Grade 6 class from St John's School Dennington.

St Pius X Christmas Carols

St Pius X School will be holding their Carols and Presentation Evening in the church on 18 December at 7 p.m. All welcome.

Ministers' Rosters

Next year's rosters for Ministers of Communion and Readers are now available in the church foyer.

Bishop's Christmas Message

Our bishop's Christmas Message is on the diocesan website, www.ballarat. catholic.org.au

Father Peter Hudson

Father Peter Hudson (Parish Priest of St Pius X 1981 - January 1992) underwent quadruple bypass surgery in the Royal Melbourne Private Hospital last Wednesday afternoon. When this bulletin was printed he was looking forward to a return to excellent health.

Bishop's Christmas Collection

At the Christmas Masses at the request of our bishop the usual collection will be taken up for people in Australia and overseas who are in greater need than we are.

Columban Calendars & Cards

Christmas Cards and Columban Calendars for 2018 are available in the church fover.

Recent Death

Patricia Beks

Anniversaries

Norman Rowe. Glenys Balchin. Tottie O'Brien. Robert Roache.

Thank You for Giving

Presbytery last week: \$538.20 Planned Giving November: \$4,175.75 Amount Pledged: \$4,642.00



Gaudete Sunday

Today is called Gaudete Sunday, from the first word in the Introit of the old Latin Mass: "Rejoice in the Lord always..." This year, the priest is able to wear the customary rose vestments, thanks to the generosity of a parishioner who thought it a pity that St Pius X Parish had none. Grateful thanks!

St Pius X Christmas Bingo

Thursday 21 December 2017
Total Pay Out
(if sufficient tickets sold)
\$5,000.00

Jackpots

(\$2,000.00 x 1) (\$1,000.00 x 1) (\$500.00 x 1) (\$200.00 x 1)

(\$50.00 x 26)

Tickets only \$10.00 for 30 Games \$2.00 for BIG BUCKS

Eyes down 8 p.m.

Place: St Pius X Hall, Morriss Road. Doors Open: 6 p.m.

Enquiries Lorraine Ph: 0409 237 881

Note: No Bingo Saturday 23 December

Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. C. Taggart 10 a.m. A. Barker

Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. C. Harris 10 a.m. P. McElgunn

Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. J. Dean

D. Pasco

Pauline Haberfield

J. Thornton

G. McKenzie

10 a.m. M. McFarlane

B. Hogan

L. McElgunn F. Garvey

A. Mills

Local Sunday Masses

Sunday Masses are celebrated at St Pius X on Saturdays at 6 p.m. and on Sundays at 10 a.m.

Christmas Masses will be offered at St Pius X according to the timetable on the far left-hand side of this bulletin. Christmas Mass times in other Warrnambool parishes and throughout the Ballarat Diocese are published online at www.ballarat.catholic.org.au Other Warrnambool Mass times will be in *The Standard* on 23 December .

Weekday Masses

Monday 18: 11 a.m. & 2 p.m. St Pius X
Tuesday 19: 5:45 p.m. St Pius X
Wednesday 20: 10 a.m. Dennington
Thursday 21: 10 a.m. Mercy Place
Friday 22: 9:15 a.m. St Pius X
Saturday 23: 10 a.m. St Pius X

Confessions

Saturday mornings after Mass or when you can find Father Michael: no appointment necessary.