The Parish Pump

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West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes

Child Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Rachel Brown. 0402 009 785

Columban Calendars & Cards

Columban Calendars for 2019 are available today in the church foyer at \$8 each. Christmas cards are also available at \$3.50 for a packet of eight.

Christmas Catalogue

Christmas Catalogues from *Aid to the Church in Need* are available today in the church foyer. *Aid to the Church in Need* is an international Catholic charity that focusses on the support of persecuted and oppressed Christians who cannot freely exercise their faith. The organisation has been active in Australia for more than 50 years.

Private Meetings With Bishop

Any parishioner who would like a private meeting with Bishop Paul Bird during his mid-November pastoral visit is invited to make an appointment to see him on the afternoon of Saturday 17 November. Arrangements can be made with Mrs Louise Dryburgh during office hours when she returns to work from holidays. She will be available for that purpose on 13 or 15 November.

First Aid at Church

This is the reminder that we hope will never be necessary, but parishioners should be aware that a first aid kit is kept on a shelf in the kitchen in the church foyer and a defibrillator is housed on the north wall of the foyer, adjacent to the cupboard where the folding tables and the vacuum cleaners are kept. They are there in case of necessity.

Dennington Day Out

The annual Dennington Day Out will take place today (Sunday) in St John's School grounds. Everyone is welcome to enjoy the activities and catch up with friends and neighbours.

Mass on Tuesday

There will be no Mass at St Pius X on Tuesday of this week because Father Michael will be attending a priests' meeting in Ballarat.

Parish Reorganisation

In March of this year a parish meeting was held to consider the proposal set out in a letter from Bishop Paul Bird concerning the amalgamation of parishes in our district. On Wednesday 14 November representatives of local parishes will be meeting at St Joseph's to discuss presbytery developments. The meeting will be attended by John Hockey, the business manager of the Hamilton community within the new Western Border parish of St Mary MacKillop. Our parish will be represented by Karen Johnson of the Parish Pastoral Leaders Group, Gary Hughson of the Parish Finance Committee and Father Michael.

Finance Meeting Transferred

The November meeting of the parish finance committee has been transferred to Friday of this week. It will be held as a joint meeting with the parish pastoral leaders group at 7:30 p.m. on the 16th in the church foyer. Bishop Paul Bird will be in attendance.

Anniversaries

Michael Dawson. Rebecca McKenzie

Thank You for Giving

Presbytery Last Week: \$531.00 Giving October: \$4,766.40 Amount Pledged: \$5,405.00

Bishop's Mass on Friday

Bishop Paul Bird will commence his pastoral visit to St Pius X and St John the Baptist Parishes by presiding at Mass at 9:15 a.m. on Friday 16 November. The St Pius X School community will take a leading role in the celebration but everyone (of course) is welcome.

Plenary Council 2020

What is God asking of the Church of Australia?

This is the question which inspired the members of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference as they planned the Plenary Council.

Plenary Council 2020 will mark the first council to be held in Australia in 80 years.

A Plenary Council is the highest form of communion between local arms of the church across Australia. While the final stage of Plenary Council 2020 will involve a meeting of Australian bishops, the purpose of this type of communication is intended to engage with the entirety of the Catholic community in a dialogue.

The purpose of these dialogues is to discern how the different faith communities live the Gospel amidst the questions and challenges faced on a day-to-day basis.

The Plenary Council itself is made up of representatives from the Church: laity, religious, ordained ministers and the bishops of Australia.

'The Catholic Weekly'

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney has launched a new website for its weekly newspaper, *The Catholic Weekly*. The new site is said to offer a better user experience and much faster loading times of stories, images, videos and podcasts; it is also mobile-friendly. It can be found at www.catholicweeklv.com.au/

Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. P. McGennisken 10 a.m. Volunteer

Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. C. Harris 10 a.m. L. Lane.

Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. D. Pasco

Pauline Haberfield

J. Thornton

C. Murrihy

G. McKenzie

10 a.m. M. Pickett

B. Houlihan

J. Beks

G. Hughson

F. Garvey

Local Sunday Masses

Sat. 6 p.m. St Pius X 6 p.m. OLHC

Sun. 8:30 a.m. St Joseph's 9 a.m. OLHC

10 a.m. St Pius X 10:30 a.m. St Joseph's

10:30 a.m. Allansford (1st. 3rd & 5th: Mass)

11 a.m. Purnim

(1st, 3rd & 5th lay-led)

11 a.m. Purnim (2nd & 4th: Mass)

6 p.m. St Joseph's

Weekday Masses

Monday 12: 7:30 a.m. St Pius X
Tuesday 13: NO MASS
Wednesday 14: 10 a.m. Dennington
Thursday 15: 10 a.m. Mercy Place
Friday 16: 9:15 a.m. St Pius X
Saturday 17: 10 a.m. St Pius X

Confessions

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