The Parish Pump

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3 February 2019 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes

Child Safeguarding Officer: Mrs Rachel Brown, 0402 009 785

Parish Pastoral Leaders

The first meeting of the Parish Pastoral Leaders Group for 2019 will be held in St Pius X Church foyer at 8 p.m. on Tuesday 5 February. Besides paying attention as usual to Child Safe Standards in the parish, the meeting will need to address the parish's response to an agenda for Plenary Council 2020 and an appropriate time for a parish meeting. (It has been suggested that such a meeting might occur as early as Tuesday 12 February.) Other agenda items will be addressed as usual.

Volunteer Tutors Required

The Warrnambool Tutoring Program is seeking volunteer tutors for two hours a week. This program is conducted under the auspices of St Vincent de Paul at St Pius X Primary School. Please contact Bernie Roach at warrnambool.tutor@svdp-vic.org.au or phone 0447 156 690.

Historical Commission

The Ballarat Diocesan Historical Commission meets four times a year in Ballarat. Members are interested in the history of the whole diocese. There are four vacancies on the commission and nominations are being sought. Expressions of interest can be sent to The Archivist, Catholic Diocese of Ballarat, PO Box 121, Ballarat 3353 or E: archives@ballarat.catholic.org. au



They took him up to the brow of the hill...intending to throw him down the cliff.

Luke 4,29

Welcome Back to School

On behalf of all of us at St Pius X and St John the Baptist Parishes we welcome back to school all students who began term one last Thursday or Friday. We especially remember people who are starting at a new school and wish them every blessing for this term and the rest of the year.

Thank You for Giving

Presbytery Last Week: \$739.50 Planned Giving December: \$5,101.30 Amount Pledged: \$5,945.00

Child Safe Standards

In the foyer of St Pius X Church there is a prominent display concerning our commitment to child safety. Information about Parish policies in this regard is also published on the Parish website under www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

We would like all parishioners to be familiar with these documents. We wish to be sure that our claim on the masthead of the Parish Pump, namely that West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes is always taken seriously by all members of our community. Already Father Michael and many parishioners have been required to obtain Working With Children Checks and Police Checks. About 100 parishioners have also had to sign Codes of Conduct. These requirements are part of our commitment to ongoing child safety throughout the Parish.

Church Closures

In consultation with the people of Hawkesdale, Orford and Yambuk it has been decided to close their churches. During the month of February this will take place with a closing Mass at 10:30 a.m. on the following dates.

Sunday 10 February – St Joseph's Hawkesdale.

Sunday 17 February – St John's Orford. All former parishioners and friends are most welcome to attend the Mass and gathering. For further information please contact Father Bill – 5565 8505

In a Nutshell

Jesus came to bring 'good news', and at first the people in his home town were captivated by his gracious words. But 'familiarity breeds contempt'; Jesus is too ordinary and close to home for them to recognise him as a prophet.

Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. Pauline Haberfield 10 a.m. L. Lane

Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. P. Starkie 10 a.m. M. Woodward

Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. C. Murrihy

K. Johnson

G. McKenzie

L. O'Keefe

N. Russell

10 a.m. M. Pickett

B. Houlihan

M. McFarlane

B. Hogan Volunteer

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 Mass

Monday 5: 7:30 a.m. St Pius X
Tuesday 6: 5:45 p.m. St Pius X
Wednesday 7: 10 a.m. Dennington
Thursday 8: 10 a.m. Mercy Place
9:15 a.m. St Pius X
Saturday 10: 10 a.m. St Pius X

Confessions

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