

**MASSES DURING THE WEEK :**

Koroit: 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** Jer 31:31-34

The Lord promises a new covenant.

**Second Reading** Heb 5:7-9

Christ is the source of salvation for all who obey.

**Gospel** Jn 12:20-33

Jesus foretells of his death and resurrection.



**Koroit Roster March 18**

**Leader:** Carmel Madden

**Readers:** Fran Biber; Leonie Sinnott

**Extraordinary Ministers:** Clare Gleeson; Doreen Bowron; Pat Lane

**Gifts:** Maree & Patrick Lane & family

**Counters for March:** Kevin Lane; Peter Lynch; Brian Russell

**Church Cleaning Flower Roster for March:** Helen Carey; Joan McMahon

**Port Fairy : March 18**

**Leader:** Joan McLean

**Reader:** Graeme Munro

**Special Ministers:** T Hutchinson; Marj Murrhy; J Moloney

**Gifts:** B Farley; F Lynch

**Hospital :**

**Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for March:** Jean Paton; Linda Hughes

**Parish Priest:** Fr. William van de Camp

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CATHOLIC  
COMMUNITY

**Mass Times 2017**

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

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,



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



4th Sunday in Lent

11.03.2018

**Responsorial Psalm**

**(R.) Let my tongue be silenced, if ever I forget you!**

1. By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Zion; on the poplars that grew there we hung our harps. (R.)

2. For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy. 'Sing to us,' they said, 'one of Zion's songs.' (R.)

3. O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil? If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! (R.)

4. O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys! (R.)



**Gospel Acclamation**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

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**Recent Deaths:**

Pat (Patricia) Gleeson

**Anniversaries :** Tom Finnigan

Denis O'Keeffe; Jean Kennedy;

Patricia McGurk;

**Welcome to all our visitors who are here to enjoy the Folk Festival and to Fr Greg Tait who is leading us in the**



### **Koroit News:**

**Koroit:** Planned Giving: \$293.00  
Presbytery: \$326.00

### **Port Fairy News:**

Planned Giving: \$497.00  
Presbytery: \$254.65

### ***Remember these Dates:***

**Thursday March 15:** Mass & Anointing of the Sick & Elderly at Moyneyana House at 10.00am

**Saturday March 17 -**  
St Patrick's Day

**Tuesday March 20:** 1st Reconciliation Port Fairy

**Wednesday 21 March:** 1st Reconciliation Koroit.

**Thursday March 22nd:** Ecumenical Service Belfast House 11.00am

**Celebration of Forgiveness** in preparation for Easter. This will be a combined Port Fairy/Koroit celebration. To be held in Koroit at 7.30pm

**Sunday 25 March :** Palm Sunday

**Monday, March 26, 2018** Mass of the Oils

### **Project Compassion**

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help provide employment and training for First Australians. The work of Djilpin Arts is creating opportunities for First Peoples to remain on country and keep their culture alive. This work is essential for a just future



### **St Patrick's Day**

St Patrick's (Port Fairy) students and staff invite any parishioners to the School Hall for morning tea after celebrating St Patrick's life and story at a Liturgy of the Word on Thursday at 10:00 and to enjoy watching the children participate in a fun session of Kaboom Sports from 11:45.



### **ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL, KOROIT**

Our school invites applications from suitably qualified personnel for a part time replacement position as a Learning Support Officer Fixed Term Replacement Position For Second Term 2018  
St Patrick's promotes the safety, well being and inclusion of all children.  
Applicants should locate a position description and selection criteria and application instructions under News and Events/Employment at the school's website at <http://www.spkoroit.catholic.edu.au/>  
Application close on Monday 19 th March 2018 at 4.00 pm.

### **Excerpted from The Thorny Grace of It by Brian Doyle**

Be who only you are. Rise to what you dream. Do not cease to dream. Do not despair even though pain comes hand in hand with joy. That is the nature of the gift we were given. It is the most amazing and extraordinary and confusing and complicated gift that ever was. Never take it for granted, not for an instant, not for the seventh of a second. The price for it is your attentiveness and generosity and kindness and mercy.

Also humor, humor will destroy the brooding castles of the murderers and chase their armies wailing into the darkness. What you do now, today, in these next few minutes, matters more than I can tell you. It advances the universe two inches. If we are our best selves, there will come a world where children do not weep and war is a memory and violence is a joke no one tells, having forgotten the words. You and I know this is possible. It is what He said could happen if we loved well. He did not mean loving only the people you know. He meant every idiot and liar and thief and blowhard and even your cousin. I do not know how that could be so, but I know it is so. So do you. Let us begin again, you and me, this afternoon.  
Ready?

### **The readings for this 'Laetare (Rejoice) Sunday' reveal the Lord's desire to save his people.**

In the First Reading, the exile of the people, and later their release through the pagan king Cyrus, are understood in terms of God's judgment and mercy.

Today's Psalm speaks of the desolation that is experienced when the Lord's goodness is no longer felt. In exile, the people could not be joyful. They could recall the presence of the Lord, but only with regret at its apparent loss.

The gift of the Lord's presence is given, ultimately, through God's loving gift of his Son to the world (Gospel). God loved us so much that he has led us back from the exile of sin, and in bringing us to life in Christ, he has made us a 'work of art'. Jesus is the means by which we are saved, so that we might live 'the good life' of grace in return (Second Reading).

Let's pray, this week, for a greater awareness of the Lord's wonderful gift, full of grace, that frees us from the darkness of exile to the light of joyful living.

