

# The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool  
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**5 February 2017**      **5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Seniors' Mass

The Senior Parishioners' Mass at 10 a.m. on Thursday 9 February at Mercy Place will be followed by morning tea. All welcome.

## Mass on Tuesday

On Tuesday 7 February Mass at St Pius X will be at 10 a.m. Children, parents, teachers and other staff from St John's School Dennington will be taking part; it will be the opening Mass for their new school year.

## St Agatha

In other years 5 February would be the feast of St Agatha. She was martyred at Catania in Sicily, probably during the persecution of Decius (250-253). Devotion to her was widespread in the Church in the earliest of times and she is mentioned in the Roman Canon of the Mass.

## Grief to Grace – Healing

A spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held March 26 – 31, 2017 in Tasmania. To request an application contact Anne by emailing [info@griegtograceaus.org.au](mailto:info@griegtograceaus.org.au) or phone 0407704539. For more information visit [www.griegtograce.org](http://www.griegtograce.org)

## Graffiti

Last Sunday evening the sign outside our church on Morriss Road was defaced by one or more graffiti vandals. The police have been informed. The scrawl on the sign has proven to be irremovable although it has been investigated by a local paint shop and by the worker who removes graffiti for the City Council. The difficulty is with the material the sign is made of. As a result, the sign will have to be replaced at a cost of some \$675. If the perpetrator sees this, we'd happily accept his donation of the \$675 his Sunday outing has cost us.

## Extra Mass Readers Needed

Thank you to the volunteers who have offered to go on a roster for reading the Scripture and Prayers of the Faithful on Saturday night and Sunday Masses. If you are willing to volunteer please see Father Michael after Mass.

## Preparing the Readings

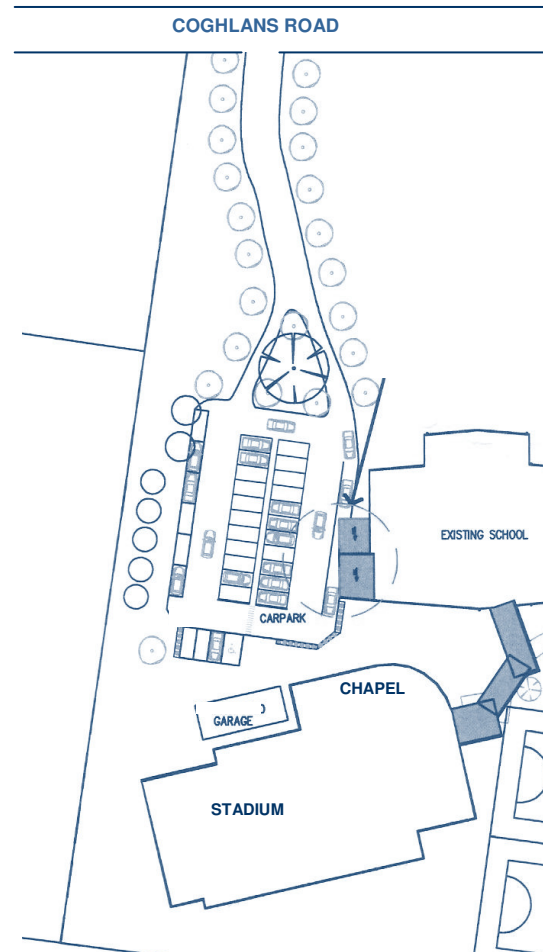
People who are rostered to proclaim the Scripture readings at Mass are reminded to take home a copy of *Break Open the Word* on the weekend before they are to read at Mass. *Break open the Word* has copies of the readings with commentary and a help to pronunciation. It is a useful way to prepare for this important ministry.

**Thank You for Giving**  
Presbytery last week: \$630.10  
Planned Giving January: \$5418.40  
Pledged: \$5438.00



## Car Park at Dennington

People who wish to drive to Mass at Dennington no longer have to use the school car park off Russell Street. If you wish to use the new car park, it can be reached from Coghlan's Road as the diagram beneath endeavours to make clear.



## Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. J. O'Keefe  
10 a.m. D. Webster

## Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. O. O'Keefe  
10 a.m. A. Webster

## Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. J. Thornton  
G. McKenzie  
L. O'Keefe  
J. Garner  
P. McGennicken  
10 a.m. F. Garvey  
A. Mills  
B. Ermacora  
A. Webster  
L. Ermacora

## Local Sunday Masses

<b>Sat.</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>	<b>St Pius X</b>
	6 p.m.	OLHC
<b>Sun.</b>	8:30 a.m.	St Joseph's
	9 a.m.	OLHC
	<b>10 a.m.</b>	<b>St Pius X</b>
	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 6:	7:30 a.m. St Pius X
Tuesday 7:	10 a.m. St Pius X
Wednesday 8:	10 a.m. Dennington
Thursday 9:	10 a.m. Mercy Place
Friday 10:	9:15 a.m. St Pius X
Saturday 11:	10 a.m. St Pius X

## Confessions

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