The Parish Pump

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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes

Ash Wednesday and Lent

Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, is on 14 February this year. Mass and the distribution of ashes will be celebrated at St Pius X church on Ash Wednesday at 10 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. It is a day of fast and abstinence: if you have had your 18th birthday but not your 59th, you should not eat between meals that day and if you have had your 14th birthday, you should not eat meat that day. The same applies to Good Friday.

Project Compassion

Project Compassion envelopes and money boxes for Lent 2018 are available at the church doors today. Please use yours generously as a way of loving your neighbour as yourself.

St V de P Lenten Appeal

The customary St Pius X Lenten Appeal will be organised again this year by the parish conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul. You are asked to contribute the following goods on the named weekends:

17-18 February Cereal
24-25 Feb Spaghetti/Baked Beans
3-4 March Tinned Fruit
10-11 March Pasta/Pasta Sauce
17-18 March Tea/Coffee
24-25 March Tinned Soup

Weekday Masses

Father Michael is still recovering from the troubles with his voice and plans to rest it this week as much as possible. The only weekday Masses, therefore, will be on Ash Wednesday, 14 February, at 10 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. in St Pius X Church. At the 10 a.m. Mass, school children will take a leading part.

Parish "Key Register"

At present we are in the process of finding out who has Parish keys for any doors or cupboards of the Church, Hall or Function Room. If you do have any (even if you are not using them) please contact Louise at the parish office so she can include your name on the Key Register. Alternatively, if you have no further use for the key, you could return it to Louise or Father Michael. Thank you for your cooperation.

World Day of Prayer

This year St Pius X Parish will be hosting the annual World Day of Prayer in the church on Friday 2 March. A meeting to prepare for the occasion will be held in St Pius X Church foyer on Thursday 15 February at 2 p.m.

Social Justice Group

You are invited to join discussions at the next meeting of the Warrnambool Social Justice Group on Tuesday 20 February at St Joseph's Parish Hall from 7.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

Recent Death

Priscilla Bence

Anniversary

Bridget Lane

Thank You for Giving

Presbytery last week: \$795.00 Planned Giving January: \$4873.45 Amount Pledged: \$4642.00

Saturday Night Mass Music

The roster for people playing Music at the 6pm Mass on Saturday nights is about to be renewed for 2018.

We would warmly welcome some new people to this group so if you are interested and would like to find out more please ring Pauline Haberfield on 0407 259 619.

Plenary Council 2020

Australian's Catholic bishops have announced that in the year 2020 there will be a plenary council of the entire Catholic Church in Australia. The last such council met in 1937, but unlike that one, which included only bishops, male theologians and superiors of men's religious orders, the 2020 event will include members of the laity, including a large representation of women. Critical issues affecting the Australian Church will be considered, including the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse; it is anticipated that the agenda will be drawn up in consultation with Australian communities before 2020.

Here At Home preparation for the synod will take place throughout the Ballarat Diocese from Saturday 21 April to Monday 7 May. Part of that time will include a Diocesan Mission led by Redemptorist Fathers. It is anticipated that West Warrnambool and Dennington parishes will cooperate with the other Warrnambool parishes, Koroit and Port Fairy in the Mission enterprise. More information will be available as we approach the Plenary Council more closely.

Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. O. O'Keefe 10 a.m. C. Hughson

Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. J. O'Keefe 10 a.m. G. Hughson

Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. J. Dean

K. Johnson

J. Garner

J. Thornton

C. Murrihy

10 a.m. F. Garvey

A. Mills

B. Ermacora

S. Malone

M. Healey

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

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: NO MASS
Tuesday 13: NO MASS
Wed. 14: 10 a.m. & 5.45 p.m. St Pius X
Thursday 15: NO MASS
Friday 16: NO MASS
Saturday 17: NO MORNING MASS

Confessions

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