MASSES DURING THE WEEK : Koroit: Tuesday; 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 Is 49:14-15 Can a mother forget her child? Second Reading 1 Cor 4:1-5 The Lord will reveal what is in the heart. Gospel Mt 6:24-34 Do not worry about tomorrow.

Koroit Roster Leader: Lisa McCosh



Readers: Sarah Parkinson; Pat Shanahan Extraordinary Ministers: Barbara Mills; Betty Bishop; Bob Shanahan Gifts: Vin Parkinson & Sarah White. Counters for February Jim Madden; Maurice Mahony Church Cleaning Flower Roster for February Christine Russell; Betty Bishop

Port Fairy :

J Fitzgibbon Leader: Reader: K Robertson Special Ministers: David Ryan; Martina Murrihy; Teresa Wales. Gifts: Rita Smith; Joan Corfield Hospital: Mary Bishop Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for February: Mari Murrihy; Bernice Kent

Parish Priest: Fr. William van de Camp

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Mass Times 2017

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COMMUNITY

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



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7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Responsorial Psalm (R.) The Lord is kind and merciful.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. (R.)

2. It is he who forgives all your guilt. who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave,

who crowns you with love and compassion. (R.)

3. The Lord is compassion and love. slow to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. (R.)

4. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. As a father has compassion on his sons. the Lord has pity on those who fear him. (R.) **Gospel Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia! Whoever keeps the word of Christ. grows perfect in the love of God.

Recent Deaths: Frank Donohue

Alleluia!

Koroit News: Koroit: Planned Giving: \$383.50 Presbytery: \$344.60

Port Fairy News: Planned Giving: \$581.30 Presbytery: \$545.80

There will be **no Masses in Koroit or Port Fairy next week** as the Priests will be on retreat. Please remember them in your prayers.

Project Compassion begins on Ash Wednesday. Please remember the needy throughout the world

with your donations. Envelopes are available from the back of the Churches.

Sacraments 2017 Infant Jesus Parish Koroit Information for the preparation and receiving of the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Eucharist in the Infant Jesus Parish Koroit in 2017, can be obtained by contacting Jenny Auld at St Patrick's School on 55658208. **Koroit:** Mass for the Sick & Elderly will be held at St Patrick's School Hall at 2pm on WEDNESDAY March 8th

World Day of Prayer Uniting Church, Koroit Street Warrnambool. Friday March 3, 1.30pm, Theme "Am I being unfair to you?" All welcome



March 1st is **Ash Wednesday.** Masses will be in Koroit at 10.00am and Port Fairy at 12 noon.



Jesus cites several examples of the Law to demonstrate the way in which he has come to fulfil those teachings, rather than to abolish them. He reinterprets the teachings on killing, adultery, divorce and oath-breaking. When there is an attitude of observing the very literal meaning of law, there is a tendency to look for loopholes wherever possible. This attitude had become the norm in Jesus' day. His reinterpretations are designed to challenge people to think about the law in a broader context and to take the law into their heart rather than looking for ways to get around it.

Call for Nominations – Diocesan Pastoral Council

The Diocese of Ballarat is calling for nominations for the 2017 Diocesan Pastoral Council (DPC). The DPC is a consultative and advisory body to the Bishop. For more information check with your parish priest/ parish leader, or phone Amanda in the Diocese office, ph. 5337 7125

Prayer: Just as two sets of fingerprints in the world are alike, and no two persons are exactly the same, so too in prayer; no two people communicate with God in the same way. God has a unique relationship with each and every one of us, just as we have unique relationships with each one of our friends.

REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant CSS At times it seems we have rewritten the 'Golden Rule' to say: Do unto others before they can do unto you! In saying this we are not encouraging each other to do good, but to be defensive. Jesus tells us to go the extra mile, turn the other cheek, outdo ourselves in generosity and rise above the fray. He is not suggesting that we allow ourselves to be abused, but that we not perpetuate the antagonism out of which the mistreatment arose. He is not advo-

cating passivity, but he is saying that we should not retaliate. Jesus is describing what we today would call active non-resistance. the attitude taught by Gandhi and Martin Luther King. We are familiar with the answer to the question: Who is my neighbour? We usually interpret it to mean those we do not particularly like. It is important to love them, to be kind to them, to help them when they are in need. But these are not the people whom Jesus is talking about in today's reading. He tells us that the neighbours whom we are to love are those people who do not like us. We are to love those who deliberately exclude us from their social circles, who talk about us behind our backs. We are to love those who make us feel that we are not good enough for them, those who resent us for our accomplishments. We are to love those who exploit us or do us harm. This is indeed a radical teaching.

