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 Gen 2:7-9; 3:1-7

The Lord creates man and the garden of Eden.

Second Reading Rom 5:12-19 Jesus has atoned for Adam's

Gospel Mt 4:1-11

Jesus is tempted by the devil in the desert.

Koroit Roster

Leader: Margaret Cashill

Readers: Doreen Bowron; Kate Dobson

Extraordinary Ministers: Christine Russell: Clare Gleeson:

Margaret Moloney

Gifts: Lisa McCosh & family

Counters for March: Kevin Lane; Peter Lynch; Brian Rus-

sell.

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for March: Helen Carey;

Joan McMahon Port Fairy:

Leader: H Robertson Reader: P Sanderson

Special Ministers: Henk Winnen; Alicia Moloney; Kasey

Louden

Gifts: M McAlindin; F Schramm

Hospital: Marj Murrihy

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for March: Jean Paton;

Lynda Hughes.

Parish Priest: Fr. William van de Camp

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MOYNE REGIONAL 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



8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

26.02.2017

Responsorial Psalm (R.) Rest in God alone, my soul.

1. In God alone is my soul at rest; active; my help comes from him. He alone is my rock, my stronghold.

my fortress: I stand firm. (R.)

2. In God alone be at rest, my soul:

for my hope comes from him. He alone is my rock, my stronghold.

my fortress: I stand firm. (R.)

3. In God is my safety and glory, the rock of my strength. Take refuge in God all you peo-

Trust him at all times. Pour our your hearts before him. (R.)

ple.



Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of God is living and

it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.

Alleluia!

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is one of the most popular and important holy days in the liturgical calendar. It opens Lent, a season of fasting and prayer.

Ash Wednesday takes place 46 days before Easter Sunday and comes from the ancient Jewish tradition of penance and fasting. The practice includes the wearing of ashes on the head. The ashes symbolize the dust from which God made us. As the priest applies the ashes to a person's forehead, he speaks the words: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

Alternatively, the priest may speak the words, "Repent and believe in the Gospel."

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

Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving:

Presbytery:

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving: Presbytery:

Koroit Finance Committee

meet on Monday at the Koroit Presbytery.

Folk Festival Mass Times Port Fairy

Saturday 12th March, **6.00pm.** Sunday 13th March, 10.30am. **Note** change of time for Saturday night.

Fr Denis Andrews will celebrate Mass at **Yambuk** Sunday 12th March at 8.30am

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.

"Love of God and love of our neighbour is one and the same thing" Pope Francis **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

Pope's Intentions for March:

That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.



Being present in the Now

99 per cent of the time when we are in a 'conversation' with someone we spend more time thinking about what we will say next than we spend actually listening to what they're saying. Jesus calls us to be present and to be in the present. To be present to another person means to be fully attentive to them and more concerned about them and what they're saying (and not saying) than we are about ourselves. Next time you're talking with a friend, try asking open, honest questions and then really listening to what they say.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSS

What can be nobler than building up the reign of God? What could deserve our commitment more than the proclamation of the gospel? What greater privilege could be ours than acting as agents of the blessings of God? Disciples are called to just such privileged roles. And where are these disciples to be found? They spend their lives in classrooms, factories, offices and hospitals. They serve in families, businesses, restaurants, shopping malls, banks and grocery stores. They answer telephones, protect us from harm, build our roads, and repair our plumbing. Disciples upbuild the reign of God in whichever form of life or occupation they have chosen.

Although we embark on a life of service with great enthusiasm and genuine commitment, it does not take long before the enormity of the task becomes apparent. We might then begin to doubt ourselves or doubt the call itself. At such times, Jesus exhorts us to trust in God. All is in the hands of God; for our part, we have only to trust.

Our own limitations and sinfulness often get in the way. There

are forces in society that seem bent on undermining our every effort. The people to whom we commit ourselves can be ungrateful or want no part of us or our service. Sometimes the obstacles seem to come from the church, its structures and its personnel. In the midst of such darkness, we hear Jesus gently but firmly saying: Do not worry! Trust! God cares for the birds and the grass, surely God will care for you



Sin & Forgiveness

The church which is the sacrament of Christ is called to carry on his ministry and mission to the world. It is to be the sign of his love, and this automatically includes his willingness to forgive. The church is therefore by its very nature a reconciling community.

(from At Home with God's People)