The Parish Pump

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CHRISTMAS 2016



Weekday Masses this Week

On Monday 26 December (St Stephen's Day) and Tuesday 27 December (the Feast of St John the Evangelist) Mass in St Pius X Church will be at 10 a.m. (Because Christmas Day is on Sunday this year. Tuesday is an additional Public Holiday in Victoria and Monday is the Boxing Day Public Holiday as usual.) There will be no Mass at Dennington on Wednesday 28th, though throughout the school holidays it is expected that Mass will normally be celebrated at Dennington as it usually is. On 29, 30 and 31 December Mass will be celebrated according to the familiar timetable as described towards the bottom of the furthest column on this bulletin.

Woodford Cup

The Woodford Racing Club's Annual race meeting will be held this year at the Warrnambool Race Course on Tuesday 27 December. The Club has long been a supporter of St John's School, Dennington, so the support of parishioners for the day out is encouraged.

A Word of Thanks

As another year draws to a close, my sincere thanks are extended to all who have in any way supported St Pius X and St John the Baptist Parishes this year. My heartfelt personal thanks are extended in a special way to the parishioners who were so good to me while I was in hospital in July-August and during my recovery when I came home again.

St Pius X Holiday Bingo

Thursday 29 December 2016
Total Pay Out (if sufficient tickets sold)

\$5,000.00 ++ Jackpots

(\$2000.00 x 1) (\$1,000.00 x 1) (\$500.00 x 1) (\$200.00 x 1)

(\$50.00 x 26)

<u>Tickets only \$10.00 for 30 Games</u> \$2.00 for BIG BUCKS

Eyes down: 8 p.m. Doors Open: 6 p.m. Place: St Pius X Hall Morriss Road
Warrnambool

Enquiries Lorraine Ph: 0409 237 881

Columban Calendars

Columban Calendars for 2017 are available in the church foyer at \$8 each, a discount on the recommended retail price.

Thank You for Giving

Presbytery last week: \$594.80

New Defibrillator

Following the recent course on its use, a new defibrillator has been installed in the church foyer adjacent to the notice board where other Warrnambool parish weekly bulletins are displayed. Our thanks are extended to the donors and to the parishioners who volunteered to learn how the appliance should be used...as well, of course, to those who installed it on the wall.

A Hymn on the Nativity of Christ My Saviour

I sing the birth, was born tonight,
The author both of life, and light;
The angels so did sound it,
And like the ravished shepherds said,
Who saw the light, and were afraid,
Yet searched, and true they found it.

The son of God, the eternal king,
That did us all salvation bring,
And freed the soul from danger;
He whom the whole world could not take,
The word, which heaven, and earth did make;
Was now laid in a manger.

The father's wisdom willed it so,
The son's obedience knew no No,
Both wills were in one stature;
And as that wisdom had decreed,
The word was now made flesh indeed,
And took on him our nature.

What comfort by him do we win?
Who made himself the price of sin,
To make us heirs of glory?
To see this babe, all innocence;
A martyr born in our defence;
Can man forget this story?

Ben Jonson (1572 -1637)

Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. O. O'Keefe 10 a.m. P. McElgunn

Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. J. O'Keefe 10 a.m. A. Barker

Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. Pauline Haberfield

C. Murrihy

K. Johnson

J. Thornton

G. McKenzie

10 a.m. B. Houlihan

M. McFarlane

B. Hogan L. McElgunn

F. Garvey

Normal Sunday Mass Times

Sat. 6 p.m. St Pius X

Sun. 8:30 a.m. St Joseph's

9 a.m. OLHC

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 26:
Tuesday 27:
Wednesday 28
Thursday 29:
Friday 30:
Saturday 31:

10 a.m. St Pius X
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10 a.m. Mercy Place
9:15 a.m. St Pius X

Confessions

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