



**MOYNE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**  
St Patrick's Parish, Port Fairy  
Infant Jesus Parish, Koroit



# ***Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

*Saturday 3rd August and Sunday 4th August 2019*

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

***O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.***

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;  
hail the rock who saves us.  
Let us come before him, giving thanks,  
with songs let us hail the Lord.

***O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.***

Come in; let us bow and bend low;  
let us kneel before the God who made us:  
for he is our God and we  
the people who belong to his pasture,  
the flock that is led by his hand.

***O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.***

O that today you would  
listen to his voice!  
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,  
as on that day at Massah in the desert  
when your fathers put me to the test;  
when they tried me,  
though they saw my work.'

***O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.***

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;  
The kingdom of God is  
theirs!

Alleluia!

## **RECENT DEATHS & ANNIVERSARIES**

Please pray for **Pat Gleeson** (from Orford), **Lawson Ryan**, and **Sr Olive Tierney** rsm. May they rest in peace.



## **WEEKDAY MASSES**

10am Wednesday, Koroit.

10am Thursday, Port Fairy.  
(Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop)

FUNERAL MASSES REPLACE  
THE REGULAR SCHEDULE

# THANK YOU FOR GIVING

**Koroit:** Parish: \$414.50

Presbytery: \$346.40

**Port Fairy:** Parish \$487.00

Presbytery: \$340.00



## THIS THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

### Feast of St Mary of the Cross at St Joseph's Parish, Penola

**12 noon SA time** (12:30 Vic time).

Solemn Mass, followed by solemn  
veneration of the First Class relic of St  
Mary of the Cross.



## TOUR OF THE HOLY LAND 28th May to 10th June, 2020

Join Fr John Fitzgerald on a two week  
pilgrimage to Bethlehem, Nazareth,  
Jerusalem, and other holy places. It  
will transform your appreciation of  
the Gospels. Pilgrims also attend the  
world-renowned Oberammergau  
Passion Play in the heart of Bavaria.  
For more information drop in to the  
St Joseph's Parish Office, or email  
[colleend@harvestjourneys.com](mailto:colleend@harvestjourneys.com).



## HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, next Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August

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| 10am Wed<br><b>Koroit</b>       | <i>Mass of the day</i><br>(St Maximilian Kolbe) |
| 5:45pm Wed<br><b>Port Fairy</b> | <i>Vigil Mass</i><br>(The Assumption)           |
| 10am Thu<br><b>Port Fairy</b>   | <i>Mass of the day</i><br>(The Assumption)      |
| 6pm Thu<br><b>Koroit</b>        | <i>Mass of the day</i><br>(The Assumption)      |

## KOROIT BUILDING WORKS

After an extensive  
tender process, the  
Ballarat Diocesan  
Building Commission

has authorised the



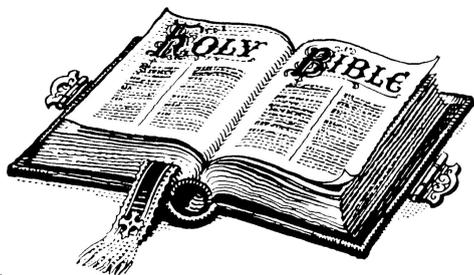
Koroit parish to

proceed with the  
proposed building works on the lawn  
between Infant Jesus Church and  
Anzac Parade. The new facilities will  
resemble the well-appointed addition  
to the Port Fairy church. Port Fairy's  
MM Hearn Constructions, which built  
the addition to St Patrick's Church,  
will begin work in the near future.

## OUR DIOCESAN COMMUNITY

The latest edition of the diocesan news magazine, *Our Diocesan Community*, is available today. Please take home your free copy after Mass. It is full of interesting articles about the things that are going on around the Diocese of Ballarat.

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### SCRIPTURE REFLECTION from *In Conversation with God* by Fr Francis Fernandez

*“Set your minds on heavenly things, not on things that are on the earth,”* St Paul exhorts in the Second Reading. Our lives on earth are brief. Every life passes like the wind; barely a trace is left behind. In the best of cases, one might amass a great fortune only for it to be left to others. What does all this pain and effort add up to? Is it all for nothing? As we are reminded in our First Reading: *“Vanity of vanities! All is vanity.”* In the face of this all emptiness and pointlessness, today’s Psalm reassures us that God is *“the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord.”*

Nevertheless, the human heart has a tremendous capacity to seek the things of the world without paying any attention to the transcendent meaning of life. The human heart

tends to become attached to worldly goods as the one and only goal in life, forgetting what is really important. In today’s Gospel, the Lord exploits a question about inheritances to teach us about the true worth of things in the light of eternity. He brings up the subject of death, of our own death, to make his point: *“God said to him, ‘Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?’”*

Jesus teaches us that putting our hearts into the pursuit of wealth and worldly well-being is foolishness. Neither happiness nor authentic human life itself are founded on worldly goods, *“for a man’s life is not made secure by what he owns.”* The rich man discloses his ‘values system’ in his mental dialogue. There is no reference to God, much less to other people. He sees no need to share his goods with others less fortunate than himself. And how does he plan to maintain this thoroughly materialistic lifestyle? *“I will store all my grain ...”* Yet in the end, all of his calculations are for nothing. The things of this world give a fragile and insufficient security since our lives will never be fulfilled without God.

We can all ask ourselves in our prayer today, *“Where is my heart?”* Since our homeland is in Heaven, we have to make positive and concrete acts of detachment with regard to what we own and what we use. How much do we share our goods with the needy? How much time and wealth do we contribute to apostolic works?

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

**First Reading.** *Wisdom 18:6-9.*

You made us glorious by  
calling us to you.

**Second Reading.** *Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19.*

Abraham looked forward to a city  
founded, designed and built by God.

**Gospel.** *Luke 12:32-48.*

You too must stand ready.

## KOROIT: 11th August, 10:30am

Leader: Fiona Moir.

Readers: Mark Moloney, Gerard Auld.

Communion: Jenny Auld, Maryanne Evans,  
John Rea.

Gifts: Mary Kelly.

Counters for August: Bob Shanahan, Mick  
Gloury, Kevin Moroney.

Cleaning and Flowers for August: Ro  
Mugavin, Wendy Lane.

## SUNDAY MASSES

### 1st Sunday of the month

Koroit (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat

Port Fairy: 10.30am Sun

### 2nd Sunday of the month

Port Fairy (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat

Koroit: 10.30am Sun

### 3rd Sunday of the month

Koroit (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat

Port Fairy: 10.30am Sun

### 4th Sunday of the month

Port Fairy (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat

Koroit: 10.30am Sun

### 5th Sunday of the month

Koroit (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat

Port Fairy: 10.30am Sun

EASY TO REMEMBER:

Port Fairy, Sunday morning: 1st, 3rd and 5th  
Koroit, Sunday morning: 2nd and 4th

## PORT FAIRY: 10th August, 6:30pm

Leader: Eve Tamer.

Readers: David Ryan.

Communion: Teresa Wales, Sr Maureen, John  
Hoy.

Gifts: N. & D. Irving.

Cleaning and Flowers for August: Kerrie  
Robertson, Joan McLean.

## RECONCILIATION

**St Joseph's, Warrnambool,**  
following 10am Friday Mass.

**West Warrnambool,**  
following 10am Saturday Mass.

**Koroit and Port Fairy,**  
every Saturday, 5pm – 6:15pm,  
at the place of the Vigil Mass.

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## WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH.

Our Child Safe  
Policies can be  
read at the  
church entrance  
and on our  
webpages. Our  
safe-guarding  
officer is Peter  
Sanderson.