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.

<u>CONFESSIONS:</u> 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 49:3. 5-6 Israel, a light to the nations.

Second Reading 1 Cor 1:1-3

Paul sends greetings to the people of Corinth.

Gospel Jn 1:29-34 John the Baptist points to Jesus

Koroit Roster

Leader: Carmel Madden

Readers: Fran Biber; Leonie Sinnott

Extraordinary Ministers: Clare Gleeson; Doreen Bowron;

Pat Lane

Gifts: Maree & Patrick Lane & family

Counters for January Leo Freeman; Brendan Holscher;

Des Walsh; Robbie Mugavin

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for January: Clare

Gleeson: Trish Shanahan

Port Fairy: 9.00am 10.30pm

Leader:Gen VerdonckRita SmithReader:H RobertsonP SandersonSpecial Ministers:H Winnen; G Duff

Marj Murrihy; David Ryan

Aileen Sully

Gifts: M McAlinden; F Schram K & M Moyle

Hospital: Mary bishop

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for January:

MOYNE REGIONAL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Mass Times 2017 January 7/8

Port Fairy 6.30 pm (Vigil) Port Fairy Sunday 9.00 am Koroit 10.30 am

January 14/15

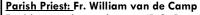
Koroit 6.30 pm (Vigil) Port Fairy Sunday 9.00 am and 10.30 am.

January 21/22

Port Fairy 6.30 pm (Vigil) Port Fairy Sunday 9.00 am Koroit 10.30 am

January 28/29

Koroit 6.30 pm (Vigil) Port Fairy Sunday 9.00am and 10.30 am



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Feast of the Epiphany

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Responsorial Psalm (R.) Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

- 1. O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement. (*R*.)
- 2. In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails. He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds. (*R*.)
- 3. The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts shall pay him tribute.
 The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts.
 Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him. (R.)

4. For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor. (R.)

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
We have seen his star in the
East;
and have come to adore the
Lord.
Alleluia!

Recent Deaths:

Frank McCarthy Colleen Ryan Tom O'Donohue



Anniversaries:

Agnes Condon

On Monday we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Mass in Port Fairy will be at 10.00am on Monday. There will be No mass on Tuesday.

Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving: \$224.50

Presbytery: \$233.20

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving: \$683.00 Presbytery: \$722.00

Blessing of Fleet

will be held at the Port Fairy wharf on Sunday January 15 at 6.00pm. St Patrick's Church is this year's host.

St Patrick's Finance committee will meet on January 18th at 5.00pm

GOSPEL FOCUS

Going home

The wise men, or Magi, are warned in a dream not to go back to Herod and they go home by a different way. How could they do anything but go home another way – indeed, go home as different people? They are changed by their encounter with the child Jesus and they go home a different way; in a different state; in a whole different frame of mind. When we genuinely encounter Jesus – in scripture, in life, in prayer, in ourselves – then we cannot go home the same way; we must go home by a different way as the Magi did.

Epiphany

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Epiphany. "The Lord and ruler is coming; kingship is his, and government and power." With these words the Church proclaims that today's feast brings to a perfect fulfillment all the purposes of Advent. Epiphany means manifestation. What the Church celebrates today is the manifestation of our Lord to the whole world; after being made known to the shepherds of Bethlehem He is revealed to the Magi who have come from the East to adore Him. Christian tradition has ever seen in the Magi the first fruits of the Gentiles; they lead in their wake all the peoples of the earth, and thus the Epiphany is an affirmation of universal salvation. St. Leo brings out this point admirably in a sermon, read at Matins, in which he shows in the adoration of the Magi the beginnings of Christian faith, the time when the great mass of the heathen sets off to follow the star which summons it to seek its Saviour



REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant CSS The Christmas season reaches an apex with the Epiphany. In some liturgical traditions, it is the central celebration of Christmas. It commemorates not only the birth of Christ and the visit of the Magi, but also his baptism in the Jordan and the manifestation of his glory at the wedding feast of Cana. In the Roman Catholic tradition, the focus is on the visit of the Magi and the implications of that visit for the glorious manifestation of God to all the peoples of the world.

There is a wonderful summons to alertness and presence of mind and heart, a call for all the nations to witness the marvellous works of God that shine as light in the midst of the surrounding darkness. The light of God is known in the ways in which the most vulnerable in the city are cared for and acknowledged. In just action and righteousness, the city becomes the beacon of God, and all the nations are attracted by this light. The quality of the light leads the way through the darkness and sustains the world in goodness and peace.

The manifestation of God among us changes the ways in which we perceive each other. Christ's birth provides us with the light by which we see a new criterion for relating. The Magi represent the multi-ethnic and cultural diversity in civic and parish situations, as well as the many religions of the world. All people, regardless of race or ethnic origin, can be co-heirs with Christ

