

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



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 10th August and Sunday 11th August 2019

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will take the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

What must I give you, Lord, for being so good to me? I will pour out an offering of wine to you, and I will pray in your name because you have saved me.

I will take the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

I will offer you a sacrifice To show how grateful I am, and I will pray. I will keep my promise to you when your people gather at your temple in Jerusalem.

I will take the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready: You know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please pray for Kevin Mahoney and Maureen Dunn who died recently; and Rachel **Burkin-Mangan**, Winifred **Dempsey**, Ray Farley and Bernie Moloney whose anniversaries occur at this time.



WEEKDAY MASSES

10am Wednesday, Koroit 5:45pm Wednesday, Port Fairy (Vigil Mass of the Assumption)

10am Thursday, Port Fairy. 6pm Thursday, Koroit.

> FUNERAL MASSES REPLACE THE REGULAR SCHEDULE

THANK YOU FOR GIVING

Koroit: Parish: \$837.50 Presbytery: \$219.80 **Port Fairy:** Parish \$433.50 Presbytery: \$410.60



THIS THURSDAY IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (15 August) is one of only two holy days of obligation observed in Australia. (The other is Christmas.) The following Masses are scheduled in our region:

5:45pm Wed Vigil Mass	Port Fairy
10am Thursday	Port Fairy West Warrnambool Warrnambool East Warrnambool
5:45pm Thursday	West Warrnambool
6pm Thursday	Koroit

PLENARY COUNCIL

Sessions for the Plenary Council's local parish coordinators will be led by Bernadette Lynch and Jane Collins from Ballarat in St Joseph's Parish Board Room at **6pm on Monday 12 August** and **10am on Tuesday 13 August**. Coordinators are requested to attend only one of those sessions, as both will cover the same matters.

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH 130th

All are invited to celebrate the 130th anniversary of the completion of St Joseph's Church in Warrnambool. Our celebration commences Friday 13th September with 7pm Mass followed by refreshments. On Saturday 14th at 10.30am there will be a commemorative tree planting in the grounds of St Joseph's followed by a tour of the Warrnambool Cemetery to honour the priests, religious and lay faithful who served our parish over many years.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS

God bless these Koroit parishioners, who for the first time today receive the Lord's Most Holy Body and Blood:

- Maya Cozens
- Piper Fachette
- Chloe Gleeson
- Milla Gleeson
- Neve MacDonald
- Ella McLaren
- Lucinda McLean
- Indi O'Connor
- Cruz Perry
- Jasmine Phillips
- Isabella Shanahan
- Shelby O'Sullivan
- Tyra Toki
- Chaz Toki
- Shane Edwards
- Fleur Mahony



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY from *In Conversation with God* by Fr Francis Fernandez

The Apostle John was surely a witness of Mary's passage to heaven, since the Lord had entrusted her to him, and he would not have been absent at that time. In his Gospel, however, he says nothing concerning Our Lady's last moments on earth. He who spoke of Jesus' death on Golgotha with clarity and force, is silent concerning the one he cared for as his own mother, the Mother of Jesus and our mother too.

Witnessed firsthand, it must have been like a sweet dream: "Thou art she who, as it is written, appearest in beauty, and thy body is all holy, all chaste, entirely the dwelling place of God, so that it is henceforth completely exempt from dissolution into dust. Though still human, your life is changed into the heavenly life of incorruptibility, truly living and glorious, undamaged, and sharing in perfect life," an ancient writer relates.

In the document which defined the dogma of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Pope Pius XII declared "*At the end of her earthly*

life, she was taken up into heavenly glory, body and soul." (Pius XII, Munificentissimus Deus, 1 November 1950.) There, her glorious Son Jesus awaited her, just as she contemplated him after the Resurrection. With power, God divine saw to the preservation of the integrity of Mary's body. Our Lady wins "the supreme crown of her privileges, to be exempt from the corruption of the tomb. Overcoming death as her Son conquered it previously, she is raised body and soul to heavenly glory." (Pius XII, Munificentissimus.)

Popular piety in Marian art often represents the Virgin in the midst of clouds borne aloft by the angels. St Thomas Aquinas sees, in these angelic interventions on behalf of those who have left the earth and are on the way to heaven, a manifestation of the reverence the angels and all creatures render glorified human bodies. In the case of Our Lady, all that we can imagine is little, nothing, even, compared with the way it must have been in reality. St Teresa of Avila tells how she once had a vision of the glorified hand of Our Lord. Afterwards, the saint said, 500 thousand suns reflecting in the clearest crystal were as a sad and dark night in comparison. How, then, the face of Christ?

One day, if we are faithful, our own bodies will also be raised from the dead and glorified. But first we will contemplate the glorified faces of Jesus and Mary, whom we have invoked so many times in this life.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading. *Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10.* "Do not let the prophet die."

Second Reading. *Hebrews 12:1-4.* We should keep running steadily in the race we have started.

Gospel. *Luke 12:49-53.* "How I wish it were blazing already!"

KOROIT: 17th August, 6:30pm

Leader: Helen Carey.

Readers: Fran Biber, Margaret Moloney.

Communion: Lorraine Dunne, Clare Gleeson, Kate Dobson.

Gifts: Maree and Patrick Lane and family.

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

Cleaning and Flowers for August: Margaret Gleeson, Margaret Cashill.

PORT FAIRY: 18th August, 10:30am

FIRST COMMUNION MASS. Roster prepared by St Patrick's Parish Primary School.

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

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.