

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 Is 42:1-4. 6-7 In the desert make ready the way of the Lord.

Second Reading Acts 10:34-38 God anointed Jesus with the Spirit and with power.

Gospel Lk 3:15-16. 21-22 The Holy Spirit descends on Jesus at his baptism.



Koroit Roster (9 Jan 2016)

Leader: Carmel Noonan

Readers: Maryanne Evans; John Rea

Extraordinary Ministers: Barbara Mills; Bob Shanahan; Fiona Moir

Gifts: Julian & Vicki McElgunn & family

Counters for January. Leo Freeman; Brendan Holscher; Des Walsh; Robbie Mugavin.

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for January : Clare Gleeson; Dot Shanahan; Trish Shanahan

Port Fairy : 6.30pm | 9.00am

Leader: Jean Fitzgibbon

Gen Verdonck

Reader : Joan McLean

Kerrie Robertson

Special Ministers: John Hoy

Aileen Sully

H Winnen; Martina Murrhly

David Ryan;

Marj Murrhly

Gifts: B Farley; F Lynch

Wakely family

Hospital : Marj Murrhly

MOYNE REGIONAL
CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY

January 9/10

Port Fairy 6.30 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 9.00 am

Koroit 10.30 am.

January 16/17

Koroit 6.30 pm (Vigil)

Port Fairy Sunday 9.00 am

10.30 am

January 23/24

Port Fairy 6.30 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 9.00 am

Koroit Sunday 10.30 am

January 30/31

Koroit 6.30pm (Vigil)

Port Fairy Sunday 9.00 am

10.30 am

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Moyne Regional Catholic Community
The Parishes of
St Patrick's, Port Fairy
Infant Jesus, Koroit



Epiphany of the Lord.

03.01.2016

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,

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Pat Dobson; Annie & William McCutcheon; Carmel Leverett;

Epiphany A Christian feast
Celebrating the manifestation
of the divine nature of Jesus to
the Gentiles as represented by
the Magi.

Blessing of the Fleet will take
place on Sunday (January 3rd)
at 6.00pm. This year the service
will be conducted by the Angli-
can Bishop of Ballarat.'

**'The family that lives joy is
salt of the earth and light
of the world' Pope Francis**

Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving: \$1369.00
Presbytery: \$512.80
Christmas Collection: \$1106.60

Koroit finance committee will meet on Monday January 11 at 1.00pm in the Presbytery.

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving \$841.00
Presbytery \$1489.30
Christmas Collection \$964.30

Year of Mercy

Pope Francis “Mercy is the very foundation of the Church’s life. All of her pastoral activity should be caught up in the tenderness she makes present to believers; nothing in her preaching and in her witness to the world can be lacking in mercy” It is with these sentiments in mind that we begin to live the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy .

In his announcement about the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis declared that “no-one can be excluded from the mercy of God.”

He went on to say that the Church was “the house where everyone is welcomed and no-one is rejected. Her doors remain wide open, so that those who are touched by grace may find the assurance of forgiveness.”



Time for a smile!

This blonde was selling her pet Python on eBay.
A bloke just rang up and asked if it was big.
She said, "It's massive."
He said, “How many feet?”
She said “It’s a snake you stupid man, it doesn’t have feet!!!”

Christmas Prayer

Lord, in this holy season of prayer and song and laughter, we praise you for the great wonders you have sent us: for shining star and angel's song, for infant's cry in lowly manger. We praise you for the Word made flesh in a little Child. We behold his glory, and are bathed in its radiance. Amen



The feast of the Epiphany celebrates the revelation of Jesus to humankind. The wise men are the representatives of humanity bearing witness to this revelation. However, the Epiphany celebrates the revelation of Jesus as not only the Messiah of Israel but the Saviour of the whole world. Interestingly, in this gospel that emphasises the ‘Jewishness’ of Jesus, the witnesses to the birth are gentiles from a foreign land. Their inclusion is a powerful declaration that the revelation of Jesus is for all people. Regardless of the liturgical year, this reading is always used on the feast of the Epiphany to celebrate this pivotal moment.

REFLECTION

Unlike the writers of the horoscope columns in our newspapers, these Wise Men were scholar astrologers, probably from Syria or Iraq. They believed that the stars controlled the destiny of human beings, but they were open enough to the Hebrew scriptures to be led to the amazing discovery of a star-child in Bethlehem. They knelt before this baby, doing homage, because they realised that the stars did not control *this* infant, but that there was something of this baby which caused the night sky to respond! They preserved the child from the deadly schemes of Herod, and then they returned to their home country, ‘by a different way’. They were on a different journey after encountering the Child. Who can doubt that the Holy Spirit led these wise men from the East to the manger? In fact, the Holy Spirit is at work in every human being, prompting each and every one to become seekers after Truth. As a person responds to this prompting and tries to lead a good humane life, then the Church teaches that the Holy Spirit can draw them into the saving life of God. Thus, billions

in China and India who have never heard the Gospel, can be saved. But, such persons do not savour the fullness of Truth as we do with the privilege of having the scriptures and the sacraments. Where it is possible, we are obliged to offer them the road map to the Truth. We can take a moment to affirm our faith in the baby in the manger as the One of whom Dante spoke: ‘the Love which moves the sun and other stars’. Come, let us adore him.



HAPPY NEW
YEAR TO ALL