

The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool
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5th Sunday of Lent

Masses This Week

Because tomorrow (Monday) is a Public Holiday for Labour Day, Mass at St Pius X will be at 10 a.m. and not at the usual time. On Tuesday there will be no Mass in the parish as Father Michael has to attend a meeting in Horsham.

Palm Sunday

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. The so-called "main Mass" will be at 10 a.m. on Sunday 20th and it will begin (weather permitting) with the commemoration of Our Lord's entry into Jerusalem and the blessing of palms outside the church, near the hall. You are invited to bring twigs or branches from your own garden for the blessing. School children carrying palm branches will lead the procession into the church. On Saturday night, the 6 o'clock Mass will be celebrated inside the church as usual, but members of the congregation are invited to bring greenery to be blessed, as the blessing of palms will also take place at that Mass.

St V de P Lenten Appeal

This year, the customary St Vincent de Paul Lenten appeal for foodstuffs will conclude next weekend. To support the appeal, please bring tinned or packet soup to Mass next weekend.

Easter Ceremonies at St Pius X This Year

Holy Thursday, 24 March:	7 p.m.	Easter Vigil, 26 March:	8 p.m.
Good Friday, 25 March:	3 p.m.	Easter Sunday, 27 March:	10 a.m.

Mass of the Oils

The Mass of the Oils will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat at 6:30 p.m. on Monday 21 March. At this Mass we celebrate the unity and ministry of the ordained priests of our Diocese in the midst of the entire priestly People of God. The Mass also has special significance for those who will use the holy oils in 2016 - the sick and those to be baptised and confirmed. All members of the Diocese are invited to participate in this celebration which endeavours to express the unity of the Diocesan Church.

Project Compassion

We are reminded that our observance of Lent includes generous almsgiving in response to the needs of our fellow human beings who live with pressing needs. The recent cyclone in Fiji may remind us that not all poverty is the fault of its victims. Project Compassion is an important way of expressing our solidarity with suffering humanity and our practical Christianity. Let us remember to use our weekly Project Compassion envelopes and our Project Compassion money boxes as means of making a significant contribution to families and individuals around the world who must rely, not on their own resources alone, but on others' generosity.

Anniversaries

Kathleen Noonan

Thank You For Giving

Presbytery last week:\$669.40
Project Compassion:\$265.00

Advance Notice:

Good Friday/2nd Sun. of Easter

The annual collection for the support of the Church in the Holy Land will be taken up during the afternoon ceremonies on Good Friday. On the 2nd Sunday of Easter (3 April) from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. there will be devotions in St Pius X Church in honour of the Divine Mercy. Participants are asked to bring a small plate for afternoon tea. All most welcome.



"If there is one of you who has not sinned let him be the first to throw a stone at her."

Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m.	J. Osborne
10 a.m.	I. Stewart

Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m.	C. Taggart
10 a.m.	K. Prendergast

Ministers of Communion

6 p.m.	N. Stapleton
	J. Dean
	K. Johnson
	J. Garner
	D. Pasco
10 a.m.	A. Mills
	L. McElgunn
	F. Garvey
	A. Webster
	D. Webster

Local Sunday Masses

Sat.	6 p.m.	St Pius X
	6 p.m.	OLHC
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 14:	10 a.m.	St Pius X
Tuesday 15:		NO MASS
Wednesday 16:	10 a.m.	Dennington
Thursday 17:	10 a.m.	Mercy Place
Friday 18:	9:15 a.m.	St Pius X
Saturday 19:	10 a.m.	St Pius X

Confessions

After Mass on Saturday mornings or when you can find Father Michael. No appointment necessary.