

# The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool  
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**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Welcome Bishop Peter

West Warrnambool and Dennington parishioners gladly welcome former Bishop of Ballarat, Bishop Peter Connors, to preside this Sunday while Father Michael is on holidays.

## Mass at Mercy Place

Mass will be celebrated at Mercy Place this Thursday at 10 a.m. with sincere thanks to Father John Fitzgerald.

## Child Protection Sunday

The Australian Catholic Church's Child Protection Sunday again falls at the end of the national Child Protection Week campaign, stressing the importance of primary prevention to reduce child abuse and neglect in Australia. The focus this year is: **'Stronger Communities, Safer Children'** So how do we, the Catholic Church, play our part in creating stronger communities where we work together to ensure our children are kept safe?

The Catholic Church is in a unique position to offer much within this focus of creating stronger communities, safer children. One such example can be seen in Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation Amoris Laetitia, in which families and consequently communities are encouraged through love, strengthened by the virtues of generosity, commitment, fidelity and patience to become stronger more capable and more resilient. Stronger families and Church communities can help to keep our children safe.

## A Prayer for Stronger Communities, Safer Children

Gracious God you said let the children come to me.

The hurt felt by those wounded by abuse weighs heavily upon us. Often trust has been eroded when institutions failed to appropriately respond to their needs. Lord, we as your Church stand in need of your healing and help.

We ask you God to strengthen and guide all in our Catholic communities. Grant us wisdom in our time to make decisions that protect children and the vulnerable.

May our families and communities, through love, generosity, commitment and patience build stronger communities safe for children.

Let your grace and love fall gently upon our children giving them the inner strength, peace and resilience they will need for their life's journey.

We ask you God to help our Catholic communities to be resolute in building a community where our children both flourish and are safe.

Amen

(National Committee for Professional Standards)  
(A Committee of the Australian Catholic Bishops & Catholic Religious Australia.)

## Rosary - Agnes Nash (Bushell)

The rosary for the late Agnes Nash will be recited at St Pius X Church on Tuesday 13 at 7 p.m.

## Recent Deaths

Colin Carney & Agnes Nash (Bushell)

## Anniversary

Ross McCann

## Thank You For Giving

Presbytery last week: \$628.00



*"My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found"*

## Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. R. Farrar  
10 a.m. A. Barker

## Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. J. Farrar  
10 a.m. P. McElgunn

## Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. J. Dean  
K. Johnson  
J. Garner  
J. Thornton  
C. Murrhly  
10 a.m. F. Garvey  
A. Mills  
B. Ermacora  
S. Malone  
M. Healey

## Local Sunday Masses

<b>Sat.</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>	<b>St Pius X</b>
	6 p.m.	OLHC
<b>Sun.</b>	8:30 a.m.	St Joseph's
	9 a.m.	OLHC
	<b>10 a.m.</b>	<b>St Pius X</b>
	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

No weekday Masses are planned until Father Michael returns from his holidays. Should it be necessary to arrange a funeral while he is away, either of the firms of funeral directors in Warrnambool will know what to do.

## Confessions

Saturday morning confessions will resume when Father Michael returns from his holidays.