

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 Exodus 32: 7-11, 13-14.

Second Reading 1 Timothy 1: 12-17.

Gospel Luke 15: 1-32.

Koroit

Leader: Carmel Noonan

Readers: Maryanne Evans, John Rea.

Extraordinary Ministers: Barbara Mills, Bob Shanahan, Fiona Moir.

Gifts: Julian & Vicki McElgunn & Family.

Counters for September: Kevin Lane, Peter Lynch, Brian Russell

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for September: Kathy Freeman, Shirley Parkinson.

Port Fairy :

Leader: Jean Fitzgibbon

Reader: Joan McLean

Special Ministers: John Hoy, Henk Winnen, Martina Murrhly

Gifts: D. & J. Smith & Family

Hospital : Henk Winnen, Mary Gibb

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for September: Marj Murrhly, Sue Gavin



MOYNE REGIONAL
CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY

Weekend Mass Times 2016

1st Sunday of the month

Koroit (Sat) 6.30 pm

Yambuk 9.00 am

Port Fairy 10.30 am

2nd Sunday of the Month

Port Fairy (Sat) 6.30 pm

Hawkesdale 9.00am

Koroit 10.30 am

3rd Sunday of the Month

Koroit (Sat) 6.30 pm

Orford 9.00 am

Port Fairy 10.30 am

4th Sunday of the Month

Port Fairy (Sat) 6.30 pm

Koroit 10.30 am

5th Sunday of the Month

Koroit (Sat) 6.30 pm

Port Fairy 10.30 am

Easy to remember:
First, third and fifth
Sundays, Mass Sunday
Morning at Port Fairy,

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



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4.09.2016

Responsorial Psalm

R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

You turn men back into dust and say: "Go back, sons of men." To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night.

R.

You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning.

In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades.

R.

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days.

Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

(You are reminded that Gospel Acclamation, if not sung, is to be omitted)



Recent Deaths:

Colleen Dobson, Joanne Duff, Terry Auld.

Anniversaries:

Sylvie Jules Watty



Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving: \$
Presbytery: \$

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving \$488.00
Presbytery \$577.90

The Parish Office will be open for business on **Tuesday and Thursday mornings only** until Jean Fitzgibbon's return from holidays.

ROSTERS (Port Fairy) from September to December for Readers, Special Ministers, those involved in the Offertory Procession and those taking Communion to the hospital are now available from the back of the church. Please collect your named copy.

Planned Giving Envelopes for Koroit will be available over the next couple of weeks. Please collect your envelopes.

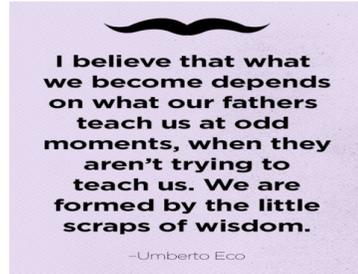
Priests' Retirement Fund

"Caring for those who cared."

Today the usual Annual Collection in support of our retired priests will be taken up. For those who have thanksgiving envelopes you will find a special envelope for this fund. Others may use an envelope marked "Priests". All envelopes may be left on the collection plate.

HAPPY FATHERS' DAY

to all fathers everywhere. May you be blessed with the love of your family always.



**BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT
Collection for Sick and Retired Priests**

The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund provides for retired priests who have spent a life-time selflessly caring for others, and who deserve a happy and peaceful retirement. The fund is currently supporting 18 retired priests. Over the next few years a number of priests currently in parish ministry will be moving into retirement, and will also need to be supported by the fund.

This collection has raised nearly 1.7 million dollars since it began in 1991, including nearly \$54,000 last year. Along with the priests' own contribution of approximately \$50,000 per year, this annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our sick and retired clergy. Please give as generously as you can, and help us continue 'caring for those who cared for us'. Special envelopes are available for this collection, which will be taken up today. You may also return your envelope next week.

REFLECTION

'Hate' is an emotive and extremely harsh word in our society. In its gospel context, the word is not used as an opposite of 'love' but as an indication of deserving of less significance than another thing. So the teaching about hating father, mother, etc can be read as saying that being a disciple of Jesus must take precedence over everything else, even family. In 1st Century culture, family was foremost above everything else; it was the very fibre that held society together. Jesus is saying that discipleship must be put above even that which is most important and most intrinsic to life in this world. That is why he goes on to tell the two stories about the need to count the cost before undertaking an important venture. He makes clear to his listeners that discipleship is more important than anything else and that there are huge costs associated with taking it on. A believer has to literally 'count the cost' of what it will mean to place discipleship above family, friendships, career, politics and even life itself. Jesus makes no apologies for the fact that what he is asking is incredibly demanding.

Our 'possessions' are all those things – material, emotional, and psychological – that we cling to and that we think give us our identity and status. Jesus called for a radical reinterpretation of status and position. He tells his listeners that they cannot truly be disciples if they continue to cling to those things that are considered important in this world. They have to surrender the things that bind them to this world's ideas of status and position before they can fully embrace the kingdom view of the world. As Jesus said, you have to really count the cost!

Greg Sunter

