

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 7:10-14 Prediction of Immanuel, born of a virgin.

Second Reading Rom 1:1-7 Paul spreads the news of the Son of God

Gospel Mt 1:18-24 An angel visits Joseph, who takes Mary as his wife.



Koroit

Leader: Leonie Sinnott

Readers: Fran Biber; Margaret Moloney

Extraordinary Ministers: Lorraine Dunne; Clare Gleeson; Kate Dobson.

Gifts: Maree & Patrick Lane & family

Counters for December: A & T Brady

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for December: Lorraine Dunne; Margaret Moloney

Port Fairy :

Leader: Trish Blythe

Reader: Yvonne Paturzo

Special Ministers: Hutchinson; Alicia Moloney; Marj Murrhy

Gifts: M McAlinden; P. Sanderson

Hospital : Mary Bishop

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for December: Helen Moloney; Mary Gibb

Parish Priest: Fr. William van de Camp

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MOYNE REGIONAL
CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY

Weekend Mass Times 2016

Christmas Eve

6.00pm (Port Fairy)

7.30pm Koroit

Christmas Day

9.00am Port Fairy

10.30am Koroit

Mass Times 2017

January 1

Koroit (Vigil) 6.30pm

Port Fairy 9.00am and 10.30am

January 7/8

Port Fairy 6.30 pm (Vigil)

Port Fairy Sunday 9.00 am

Koroit 10.30 am

January 14/15

Koroit 6.30 pm (Vigil)

Port Fairy Sunday 9.00 am and
10.30 am.

January 21/22

Port Fairy 6.30 pm (Vigil)

Port Fairy Sunday 9.00 am

Koroit 10.30 am

January 28/29

Koroit 6.30 pm (Vigil)

Port Fairy Sunday 9.00am and
10.30 am

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



4th Sunday of Advent

18.12.2016

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.

1. The Lord's is the earth and its fullness,
the world and all its peoples.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the waters he made it firm. (R.)

2. Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
The man with clean hands and pure heart,
who desires not worthless things. (R.)

3. He shall receive blessings from the Lord
and reward from the God who saves him.
Such are the men who seek him,
seek the face of the God of Jacob. (R.)



Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and God's righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you;

Alleluia; Alleluia!

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

Recent Deaths:

Rene Barcham;

George Swarbrick;

Anniversaries:

William Dunne

Mary Anne Carroll

Terry Dwyer



Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving:
Presbytery:

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving: \$749.00
Presbytery: \$627.15

Columban Calendars and Christmas cards are now available from Henk outside the St Patrick's Church and also at Infant Jesus Church at the piety stall. Calendars \$7.00; Cards \$3.00

Gifting Tree

Koroit St Vincent de Paul Gifting Tree is now at the rear of the Infant Jesus church.

This is an opportunity to make Christmas special for those in need. Envelopes with donations may be placed on Sunday's collection plate. Your donation will be greatly appreciated.



Rosters for Readers, Special Ministers and other ministries (Port Fairy) from January to April are now available from the back of the Church. Please take your named copy.

Christmas Carols

will be held at St. Bridgid's Crossley on Sunday evening December 18th, beginning at 7.30 P M.

A BBQ meal will be available from 6.30 P M. All welcome.



Assistant Priest, Mildura.

For the past twelve months, Fr Damian Styles has been serving as the assistant priest in Mildura. His ministry in the parish has been greatly appreciated. As planned, he will be concluding his service in the Mildura parish in January and returning to full-time chaplaincy with the Australian Army.

The new assistant priest in Mildura from January onwards will be Fr James Kerr. Fr James has served in the cathedral parish for the past three years.

Dedication of the Loreto Window at All Saints' Parish Church, Portland

Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Paul to give thanks for the presence and ministry of the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Portland and the dedication of the Loreto Window in All Saints' Parish Church on Sunday, January 22, 2017 at 10.30am. Light lunch will follow at the Parish House. RSVP by January 13, 2017 to PO Box 210, Portland, 3305 or email portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au.

Important Dates: Christmas Masses

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7.30pm Koroit

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9.00am Port Fairy
10.30am Koroit

January 1

Koroit (Vigil) 6.30pm
Port Fairy 9.00am and 10.30am

You are reminded that there will be a 9.00am Mass in Port Fairy each Sunday in January.

Reflection

Despite all of the excitement associated with eschatological fulfilment, despite all of the assurance we have that it will be an experience of peace and abundant life, the mystery for which we long requires the risk of faith. Despite all of the times that we have celebrated the Nativity, we still do not have full comprehension and understanding. Still we are invited to enter deeply into the event that is before us. Will we step into a life of deeper faith and commitment, or will we merely participate in the external celebration of the feast? Only we can decide, and only we will really know the decision that we make.

The circumstances of our lives influence the way we live out our faith. As Christians, we are called to devote ourselves to the service of Christ. Our primary commitment must be to Christ and to the way of being human that he has shown us. We must be committed to what enriches life and not to what diminishes it. We must be committed to the good of people and not to the hoarding of things. We may not be official heralds of the gospel, but we proclaim our faith in the way we live our lives, in the kindness with which we treat others, in honesty of our business transactions. We proclaim the gospel when we stand for justice, when we forgive those who have offended us, when we show compassion to those who suffer. As we step into the eschatological age, we are called to recommit ourselves

