

The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool
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12 March 2017 **2nd Sunday of Lent**

Project Compassion

Project Compassion envelopes and money boxes for Lent 2017 are available at the church doors today. Please use yours generously: it is a form of Lenten almsgiving which enables us to love our neighbours as ourselves.

St V de P Lenten Appeal

The customary St Pius X Lenten Appeal will be organised again this year by the parish conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul. You are asked to contribute the following goods on the named weekends:

18-19 March	Tinned Fruit
25-26 March	Pasta/Pasta Sauce
1-2 April	Tea/Coffee
8-9 April	Tinned Soup

Mass Changes

Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Monday 13 due to the Public Holiday. There will be no Mass offered this Thursday 16 at Mercy Place because Father Michael will be away.

Liturgical Colour: Violet

Violet is a dark colour, 'the gloomy cast of the mortified, denoting affliction and melancholy'. Liturgically, it is the colour of Advent and Lent, the seasons of penance and preparation.

St Patrick's Day

Friday 17 March is St Patrick's Day. Mass will be celebrated as usual at 9:15 a.m. at St Pius X.
Question: What colour vestments will the Priest be wearing on St Patrick's Day?
(Answer below)

The vestments on St Patrick's Day and on all days of joyful celebration are white. (Green vestments are for the ordinary times of the year, not for the Irish saints.)

The Transfiguration

The Transfiguration is one of the miracles of Jesus in the Gospels. This miracle is unique among others that appear in the Canonical gospels, in that the miracle happens to Jesus himself. Thomas Aquinas considered the Transfiguration "the greatest miracle" in that it complemented baptism and showed the perfection of life in Heaven. The Transfiguration is one of the five major milestones in the gospel narrative of the life of Jesus, the others being Baptism, Crucifixion, Resurrection, and Ascension. In 2002, Pope John Paul II introduced the Luminous Mysteries in the Rosary, which includes the Transfiguration. In Christian teachings, the Transfiguration is a pivotal moment, and the setting on the mountain is presented as the point where human nature meets God: the meeting place of the temporal and the eternal, with Jesus himself as the connecting point, acting as the bridge between heaven and earth. (Wikipedia)

Thank You for Giving
Presbytery last week: \$731.00
Planned Giving February: \$4487.90
Pledged: \$4735.00



*There in their presence
he was transfigured;
his face shone like the
sun and his clothes
became as white as the
light. Suddenly
Moses and Elijah
appeared to them; they
were talking with him.*

Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. Jenny Dean
10 a.m. L. Lane

Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. P. Starkie
10 a.m. M. Woodward

Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. D. Pasco
J. Dean
K. Johnson
Pauline Haberfield
J. Thornton
10 a.m. M. Healey
T. Patterson
M. Pickett
Volunteer
G. Hughson

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
	11 a.m.	Purnim
	11 a.m.	(1st, 3rd & 5th: Mass)
	11 a.m.	Purnim (2nd & 4th Mass)
	6 p.m.	St Joseph's

Weekday Masses

Monday 13:	10 a.m. St Pius X
Tuesday 14:	7:30 p.m. St Pius X
Wednesday 15:	10 a.m. Dennington
Thursday 16:	NO MASS
Friday 17:	9:15 a.m. St Pius X
Saturday 18:	10 a.m. St Pius X

Confessions

Saturday mornings after Mass or when you can find Father Michael: no appointment necessary.