

# The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool  
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## 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas 2017

*West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes*

### Christmas Mass at St Pius X

Christmas Masses at St Pius X will be celebrated on Christmas Eve and Christmas Morning as follows:

**Christmas Eve, Sun. 24 December:**  
6 p.m. & 8:30 p.m.

**Christmas Day, Mon. 25 December:**  
10 a.m.

### Bishop's Christmas Message

Our bishop's Christmas Message is on the diocesan website, [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### Christmas Collection

At the Christmas Masses at the request of our bishop the usual collection will be taken up for people in Australia and overseas who are in greater need than we are.

### Weekday Masses

On Tuesday 26 December, the Boxing Day Public Holiday, Mass at St Pius X will be at 10 a.m. instead of the usual time. On Thursday 28 December there will be no Mass because Father Michael will be at a reunion of his ordination class in Melbourne.

### Free Christmas Day Lunch

A free lunch will be held on Christmas Day in St Joseph's Parish Hall from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.

### Woodford Races

The annual Woodford race meeting will be held at the Warrnambool race course on Sunday 31 December. The meeting contributes to St John's School, Dennington and your support will be greatly appreciated.

### Holiday Mass Times

Christmas and New Year Mass times for parishes in the Ballarat Diocese have been published on the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

### New Youth Worker Sought

Ballarat Diocese will be employing a Project Worker in Youth and Young Adult Ministry in 2018, the Year of Youth. This will initially be a 12 month position, fulltime preferred but not essential. A position description will be available on the diocesan website in January or you can contact [youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:youth@ballarat.catholic.org.au) to have the position description emailed to you.

### Thank You for Giving

Presbytery last week: \$999.60  
Planned Giving November: \$4,175.75  
Amount Pledged: \$4,642.00

### Diocesan e-News

Diocesan e-News is available to all members of the Diocese and those associated with and with an interest in the life of the Diocese. It is published every two weeks and distributed via email. You can subscribe to receive e-News on the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) or you are welcome to submit items for publication to [enews@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:enews@ballarat.catholic.org.au). News items submitted should have relevance to the life and activity of the parishes and schools of the Diocese and include photos where possible.

### Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m. J. Osborne  
10 a.m. J. Nolan

### Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m. P. Starkie  
10 a.m. C. Nolan

### Ministers of Communion

6 p.m. L. O'Keefe  
P. McGennicken  
C. Murrhry  
J. Garner  
G. McKenzie  
10 a.m. P. McElgunn  
B. Ermacora  
M. Murphy  
D. Webster  
J. Beks

### Local Sunday Masses

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

Monday 25:	10 a.m. St Pius X
Tuesday 26:	10 a.m. St Pius X
Wednesday 27:	10 a.m. Dennington
Thursday 28:	NO MASS
Friday 29:	9:15 a.m. St Pius X
Saturday 30:	10 a.m. St Pius X

### Confessions

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

Every Blessing for a  
Happy Christmas  
and a Prosperous  
New Year to our  
Parishioners and all  
our Visitors.

Michael Linehan  
Parish Priest.

