

The Parish Pump

The Weekly Bulletin for St John's, Dennington and St Pius X, West Warrnambool
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4th Sunday of Lent

West Warrnambool and Dennington are Child-Safe Parishes

Project Compassion

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help people in need to build a just future and live in communities that uphold everyone's dignity. There are still Project Compassion envelopes and money boxes at the entrances of the church. Please take yours if you have not already done so.

St V de P Lenten Appeal

You are asked to contribute the following goods to the St Vincent de Paul Lenten Appeal on the named weekends:

17-18 March	Tea/Coffee
24-25 March	Tinned Soup

Mass of the Oils

All members of the Diocese are invited to participate in the Mass of the Oils in St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at 6:30 p.m. on Monday 26 March. The gathering of people from all over the diocese is always a memorable experience.

Australian Catholics Magazine

The Autumn Edition of *Australian Catholics* magazine is available at the church door today. Please take home your FREE copy after Mass.

Divine Mercy Sunday

Devotions in honour of the Divine Mercy will take place in St Pius X Church on Sunday 8 April from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Please bring a small plate for afternoon tea. For more information contact Maureen on 0438 613 212.

Parish Meeting

Parishioners are invited to a gathering in St Pius X Church foyer at 8 p.m. on Tuesday 13 March to consider the draft proposal for the future arrangement of parishes and the placement of priests. These suggested changes were mentioned in Bishop Paul Bird's email which was mentioned in recent copies of *The Parish Pump*. Members of the Parish Pastoral Leadership Team who have already discussed these matters will be in attendance at the gathering.

Those Rose Vestments



Today, the fourth Sunday of Lent, is one of the two Sundays during the year when the rose-coloured vestments come out of the cupboard. The other is the third Sunday of Advent. Today is called "Laetare Sunday" and the Advent one is "Gaudete Sunday".

Each is named for the first word of the entrance antiphon in the Latin Mass and each of them means "Rejoice". The suggestion is that although we are in the middle of Lent (or Advent) we can enjoy the season especially in light of the joyous feast to come and the coloured vestments present the message more suitably than the somewhat more sombre violet ones.

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JOHN 3:16

Anniversary

Herman Bakker

Thank You for Giving

Presbytery last week:	\$622.30
Project Compassion:	\$345.00
Planned Giving February:	\$4,106.70
Amount Pledged:	\$4,642.00

Finance Meeting

The next Parish Finance Committee Meeting will be held at 7 Kermond Court at 2 p.m. on Thursday 15 March.

Palms Australia

Vulnerable communities overseas are seeking qualified and/or experienced professional, trades and business people willing to volunteer as mentors to their local personnel. This has proven most effective to develop communities sustainably, improve opportunities and reduce poverty. The Catholic Bishops Conference has agreed to support those who take up a global mission placement by providing a payment of \$2,500 for each year of mission through a Lay Missionary Gratuity Fund, www.palms.org.au

Mass Rosters Next Week Readers

6 p.m.	J. Farrar
10 a.m.	A. Webster

Prayers of the Faithful

6 p.m.	R. Farrar
10 a.m.	D. Webster

Ministers of Communion

6 p.m.	Pauline Haberfield C. Murrhoy K. Johnson J. Thornton D. Pasco
10 a.m.	S. Malone M. Healey T. Patterson L. McElgunn J. Beks

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 (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

Because Father Michael's voice is still recovering, we regret that no weekday Masses are planned for West Warrnambool, Dennington or Mercy Place until further notice.

Confessions

No Saturday morning confessions are planned at the moment, but if you can find Father Michael at any time, he would be pleased to hear your confession.