

MASSES DURING THE WEEK :

Koroit: 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.

THE ROSARY is recited in The Church of The Infant Jesus, Koroit, before each weekday Mass



READINGS NEXT WEEK December 9

First Reading Bar 5:1-9

Take off your robe of mourning, put on the splendour of glory.

Second Reading Phil 1:3-6. 8-11

He who has begun the good work in you will bring it to completion.

Gospel Lk 3:1-6

John the Baptist proclaims a baptism of repentance.

Koroit Roster December 9

Leader: Fiona Moir

Readers: Mark Moloney; Gerard Auld

Extraordinary Ministers: Jenny Auld;

Maryanne Evans; John Rea

Gifts: Mary Kelly

Counters for December: A & T Brady

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for December:

Lorraine Dunne; Margaret Moloney

Port Fairy : December 9

Leader: Sue Paulka

Reader: Jean Fitzgibbon

Special Ministers: David Ryan; Sr Maureen; Martina Murrhy

Gifts: M & K Moyle

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

Mass Times 2018

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,**

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



1st Sunday of Advent

02.12.2018

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

1. Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:

for you are God my saviour. (R.)

2. The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray,

he guides the humble in the right path;

he teaches his way to the poor. (R.)

3. His ways are faithfulness and love

for those who keep his covenant and will.

The Lord's friendship is for those who revere him;

to them he reveals his covenant. (R.)



Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love,

and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

Recent Deaths:

Elizabeth Nagle

Anniversaries:

Mark Sully; Annie Collins;

Margaret Collins;

Chrissy Freckleton

Christmas Cards and Columban Calendars are

now available at weekend Masses in both Koroit and Port Fairy Calendars \$8.00; Cards \$3.00

Christmas Rosters;

Readers and Special Ministers are asked to contact Gen Verdonck if they will not be available over the Christmas/January period.

Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving:
\$607.50
Presbytery \$584.00

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving: \$584.50
Presbytery: \$309.50

Parish Office

We will finally move into the new Parish Office, at the rear of the Church, on Friday, November 23. The phone Number, Postal Address etc will remain the same.

The Parish Office will be closed for 6 weeks from December 11 and reopen January 22nd. For all bulletin messages etc please contact Fr Bill on 55681734 or 55658505

Remember these Dates:

Thursday December 6: Mass at Belfast House 10.30am

Wednesday December 12: End of Year Mass at Koroit 2.00pm

Thursday December 13: End of School Year Mass, Port Fairy, 10.00am

Friday December 14: Mass & Anointing of the Sick & Elderly at Koroit 2.00pm

Planned Giving: Catholic Development Fund Direct Debit forms are being sent to all who give to the planned giving through Credit Cards. As the Port Fairy branch of the National Bank has closed, Ballarat are now going to process all credit card withdrawals for us. If you need clarification or do not receive a form, please contact the Parish Office.

Gifting Tree

The Koroit/Port Fairy Conference of St Vincent de Paul Gifting Tree is now at the rear of the Infant Jesus Church and St Patrick's, Port Fairy This is an opportunity to make Christmas special for those I need. Envelopes with donations may be placed on Sunday collection plates. Your donation will be greatly appreciated.



The Gifting Tree

Reflection by Dianne Bergant

The readings of the First Sunday of Advent set the stages for our reflections on the entire season. They contain a number of promises, all pointing to peace and fulfilment. Each reading depicts a dimension of suffering that was often brought on by the people themselves. The promises are assurances that the end of their suffering was in sight. The promises reveal a loving and provident, a merciful and forgiving God. These are promises full of hope. The coming of the Lord is clearly a time of expectation, not of fear and trembling. Although the earlier tradition about the Day of the Lord included punishment of the wicked, the focus here is on redemption. The time of expectation may be preceded by apocalyptic signs in the heavens and dismay on earth, but this cosmic shift will bring fulfilment, not destruction. The love and providence, the mercy and forgiveness of God will be made manifest. What is expected of those who receive the promise? An Advent way of life exhorts us to 'wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ'. This way of life is both simple and profound. It does not necessarily require unusual behaviour on our part, but it calls us to live the usual unusually well.

It affects the everyday events of life; it directs the way we interact with people; it informs the attitudes that colour our judgments and motivations. It is as ordinary as the birth of a child; it is as extraordinary as the revelation of God.

Ballarat Diocese Prayer for the Plenary Council

Blessed are you, God of all creation. You have given us life and light and all the wonders of the world. You have sent your Son Jesus to be our Saviour and your Holy Spirit to be our guide. As we prepare for the plenary council, we ask you to come into our hearts with your Son and Holy Spirit. Come to us and make your home in us. We pray for our local community, for the people of our diocese and for the Church throughout Australia. May your wisdom show us the way, for your word is a lamp for our feet and a light for our path. Come and fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love, that we may live by your gospel and share your good news with all we meet. Holy Mary, Mother of our Saviour, pray for us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

