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.

<u>CONFESSIONS:</u> following the last Mass of the week in each of the Parishes or <u>by appointment</u>.

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



READINGS NEXT WEEK December 16

First Reading Zep 3:14-18 Shout for joy, sing joyfully. Second Reading Phil 4:4-7 Rejoice, the Lord is near. Gospel Lk 3:10-18 John announces the coming of the Messiah.

Koroit Roster December 16

Leader: Helen Carev

Readers: Fran Biber; Margaret Moloney

Extraordinary Ministers: Lorraine Dunne

Gleeson; Kate Dobson

Gifts: Maree & Patrick Lane & family **Counters for December:** A & T Brady

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for December:

Lorraine Dunne; Margaret Molonev

<u>Port Fairy</u>: December 16 Leader: Trish Blythe

Special Ministers: Henk Winnen; Marj Murrihy; Aileen

Sully

Gifts: H & B Moloney

Reader: Liz McVeigh

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for December:

Helen Moloney; Mary Gibb

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,

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Infant Jesus, Koroit



2nd Sunday of Advent

09.12.2018

Responsorial Psalm (R.) The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

- 1. When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream.
 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs. (R.)
- 2. The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels the Lord worked for them!' What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. (*R*.)
- 3. Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land.
 Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. (*R*.)
- 4. They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing: they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves. (*R*.)

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths:
all people shall see the salvation
of God.
Alleluia!

Recent Deaths:

Lesley Hazeldine; Val Farley; **Anniversaries:** Raymond Sharp;

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: Presbytery

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving: \$926.00 Presbytery: \$412.95

Remember these Dates: 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

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.





Christmas Masses 2018

Christmas Eve 24th December

6.00pm Port Fairy 7.30pm Koroit

Christmas Pay 25th Pecember

9.00am Port Fairy 10.30am Koroit

Masses for January will be as usual during the Year. There will be no Country Masses in January.

Reflection by Dianne Bergant

The advent of God's coming with its promise of fulfilment happens within world history. The first reading locates God's act of restoration in the city of Jerusalem. The gospel situates the ministry of John within a particular period of world history. They point us to historical experience as the place and the time of restoration, of incarnation, of redemption. They show us that God works within everyday life, in conventional places, during regular time. In fact, from a human point of view, the extraordinary events of salvation took place within what was quite ordinary.

John proclaims the kind of transformation that results in a change of heart. Reversals characterise such transformation: the robe of mourning is replaced by the splendour of glory; tears are turned into rejoicing; those led away by enemies are brought back by God; vallevs are filled, mountains are levelled, winding roads are made straight; even nature offers itself as shelter for the people of God. Those who are shamed and discarded are made glorious; those who suffer are comforted; the oppressed are freed; all of life's obstacles are removed; the way to God is made straight; the natural world enjoys peace and harmony.

The transformation or repentance of heart takes place within human life, within relationships of justice between people and with the earth, in right living, in genuine unselfish love. It produces the fruits of righteousness of which Paul speaks. Advent is the time to prepare ourselves for this.

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 Sav-

Mother of our Sariour, pray for us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

