

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 30

First Reading Sir 3:2-6. 12-14
Kindness and respect for parents is urged.
Second Reading Col 3:12-21
What is expected of the chosen of God.
Gospel Lk 2:41-52 Jesus is found in the Temple.

CHRISTMAS ROSTERS AS ARRANGED



Koroit Roster December 30

Leader: Maree Lane
Readers: Carmel Madden; Bob Shanahan
Extraordinary Ministers: Clare Gleeson; Carmel Noonan; Barbara Mills
Gifts: Leo & Kathy Freeman
Counters for January: Leo Freeman, Brendan Holscher, Des Walsh, Robbie Mugavin.
Church Cleaning Flower Roster for January: Clare Gleeson, Trish Shanahan.

Port Fairy : December 30

Leader: H Robertson
Reader: Graeme Munro
Special Ministers: P Sanderson; Janine Moloney; Marj Murrthy
Gifts: B Farley' M. McAlinden
Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for January: Helen Moloney; Mary Gibb

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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



4th Sunday of Advent

23.12.2018

Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) Lord, make us turn to you;
let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

1. O Shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne.

O Lord, rouse up your might,
O Lord, come to our help. (R.)

2. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. (R.)

3. May your hand be on the man you have chosen,
the man you have given your strength.

And we shall never forsake you again:

give us life that we may call upon your name. (R.)



Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the servant of the Lord:
may his will for me be done.
Alleluia

Recent Deaths:
Anniversaries: Mary V Crowe;
Patricia Swift

*We wish all
parishioners and
visitors a very holy
and happy Christmas
Fr Bill*

And Jean

Thank you to all who worked so generously throughout the year, especially Secretary, Sacristans, Cleaners, Ironing, Bereavement team etc. In acknowledgement of your generosity I will be forwarding a meaningful donation to Caritas Australia for the poor and needy.

Fr Bill

Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving: \$367.00
Presbytery \$294.80

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving: \$216.00
Presbytery: \$325.95

Remember these Dates:

There will be no Mass on Wednesday or Thursday next week.

Readers, Leaders, Special Ministers - Port Fairy

Rosters for Christmas and January to May are now available . Please take your named copy



Christmas Masses 2018
Christmas Eve 24th
December
6.00pm Port Fairy
7.30pm Koroit
Christmas Day 25th
December
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.

Bishops Christmas Appeal 2018

Our Christmas Appeal is one way by which the diocese can respond to the many communities from near and far who turn to us for assistance. I commend this appeal to you. I am aware that there are many tunes throughout the year when you are invited to respond to appeals for very worthy causes, but I hope the Ballarat diocese can continue to support this particular appeal. Paul Bird, Bishop of Ballarat. This collection will be taken up on Sunday, December 23.

Reflection by Dianne Bergant

There is always excitement at this time of the year. It is as if everything is filled with promise. Animosities are set aside; estrangement dissolves into reconciliation; the whole world seems gentler; and we are filled with the spirit of generosity. In the days just before Christmas, the possibility of newness is almost palpable. The spirit of the season has caught hold of us even before the actual day has arrived. Today we stand on the threshold of fulfilment. The future that God has prepared for us is open before us, even though we have not yet stepped out into it.

The incarnation takes place in human history, thus affirming the fundamental goodness of human life and concerns, and sanctifying them even further. The child comes from simple people, from a place that is relatively insignificant, thus underscoring God's preference for what is ordinary. The body that was offered for our salvation, the body that consecrated us through having been offered up, was the body that grew in the womb of Mary. The extraordinary salvific deed of God was accomplished through his coming into the world as one of us. The obedience that Christ played out through his body fulfilled for us the promises made by God.

We stand on the threshold of fulfilment, the fulfilment of an event that has already taken place. We ritually reenact it so that we never take it for granted, so that we never forget that it is in and through human history that the marvellous deeds of God are accomplished.

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.

