

**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: March 17**

**First Reading** Gen 15:5-12. 17-18  
The Lord establishes a covenant with Abraham.

**Second Reading** Phil 3:17 - 4:1  
Our citizenship is in heaven.

**Gospel** Lk 9:28-36

Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James and John.



**Koroit Roster: March 17**

**Leader:** Carmel Madden

**Readers:** Fran Biber/Helen Carey

**Extraordinary Ministers:** Clare Gleeson; Doreen Bowron; Pat Lane

**Gifts:** Maree & Patrick Lane & family

**Counters for March:** Kevin Lane; Peter Lynch; Brian Russell

**Church Cleaning Flower Roster for March:**

Helen Carey; Joan McMahon

**Port Fairy : March 17**

**Leader:** Graeme Munro

**Reader:** Trish Blyth

**Extraordinary Ministers:** Marj Murrhy; Aileen sully; H Winnen

Gifts: W & J Paton

**Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for March:**

Linda Hughes

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**MOYNE REGIONAL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

**Mass Times 2019**

**1st Sunday of the month**

Koroit (Sat) 6.30 pm

Port Fairy 10.30 am

**2nd Sunday of the Month**

Port Fairy (Sat) 6.30 pm

Koroit 10.30 am

**3rd Sunday of the Month**

Koroit (Sat) 6.30 pm

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 in Lent**

**10.03.2019**

**Responsorial Psalm**

**(R.) Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.**

1. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' (R.)

2. Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. (R.)

3. They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. (R.)

4. His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.' I will save him in distress and give him glory. (R.)

**Gospel Acclamation**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**Stay for a cuppa**

Following the 10.30am Mass at Port Fairy on St Patrick's Day (Sunday, March 17) there will be a 'cuppa' provided in the new meeting room. Please stay and join in.



**Thank You, LORD!**

### **Planned Giving**

Koroit: Presbytery: \$363.80  
Parish: \$391.00

Port Fairy : Presbytery: \$400.75  
Parish \$422.00

### **Dates to Remember**

**Tuesday March 12** The Greater Warrnambool Planning Committee will meet at 7.30pm in the Warrnambool Parish Hall.

**Thursday March 14:** Mass at Moyneyana House 10.00am

**Tuesday March 19th Port Fairy :** St Patrick's School Rite of Reconciliation -Parish Church 7.00pm

**Mass at Belfast House** 10.30am

**Thursday March 21:** St Patrick's School, Koroit Sacrament of penance

### **Date to keep in mind:**

Fr Bill will say his final Mass in Port Fairy at 10.30am on Sunday, May 5. As a thank you for his ministry over the past 11 years, a light luncheon will be held in St Patrick's Hall following Mass. Further information will be available closer to the date.

**Please note:** Due to NBN connections the phone at the Port Fairy Office has been disconnected. The new number is 0408681223

### **Lenten Regulations - 2019**

All who have completed their eighteenth year and have not yet begun their sixtieth year are bound to fast. (Canon 1252). All who have completed their fourteenth year are bound to abstain

Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is to be done between Ash Wednesday (March 6) and Trinity Sunday (June 1) All the faithful are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year

### **Reflection**

In the **First reading**, Moses reminds the people of Israel of the story of how they became a mighty nation. He tells of their years of slavery in Egypt, and how the Lord heard their cry. God's people were led through many trials in the desert to the promised land.

The **Psalm** is a song full of confidence in the power of God, to help us endure the difficulties of life. We can imagine Jesus taking comfort from praying this psalm when he was led by the Spirit into the wilderness. And yet it is a verse from this very same psalm that the tempter in the desert uses to test Jesus's trust in God.

The psalm reminds us that God is always with us, whatever trials we may face.

Luke's **Gospel** account of the testing in the wilderness sees Jesus being tempted to use his divinity for his own needs, and of the possibility of seizing earthly power. Jesus shows that true power comes from centring your life on God

The **Second reading** reminds us of this teaching, and tells us that the Word of God is close to us. It is deep within our being for all who believe in the saving love of Christ. We are all equal in that love, and we are called to proclaim this message of love in our lives. When we call on the Lord for help in our daily struggles, God will be with us.

Let us hold each other in prayer and pray too for our communities, that we may grow in our trust in God and deepen our prayer life in the coming weeks of Lent.

**Project Compassion** donation envelopes are now available at church entrances. Please donate to Project Compassion 2019

*The future does have a name...and its name is hope."*

Pope Francis

### **PROJECT COMPASSION 2019 PRAYER**

Creator God, You are our constant hope! In the season of Lent, you call us to prayer, fasting and love of those most marginalised. As a community of faith and courage, let our gifts to Project Compassion be symbols of hope and solidarity with our one human family. Accompany us as we journey with Jesus to bring 'good news' to all creation and ready our hearts to work for the common good of all your people. We ask this in Jesus' name AMEN



**The Greater Warrnambool Planning Committee** will meet On Tuesday March 12 at 7.30pm in the Warrnambool Parish Hall. Port Fairy Representatives are Tony Hutchinson and Trish Blythe, Koroit representatives are Gerard Auld and Maryanne Evans.