



**MOYNE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**  
 St Patrick's Parish, Port Fairy  
 Infant Jesus Parish, Koroit



***Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

*Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2019*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

***Turn to the Lord in your need,  
 and you will live.***

This is my prayer to you,  
 my prayer for your favour.  
 In your great love, answer me O God,  
 with your help that never fails:  
 Lord, answer, for your love is kind;  
 in your compassion, turn towards me.

**(R)**

As for me in my poverty and pain  
 let your help, O God, lift me up.  
 I will praise God's name with a song;  
 I will glorify him with thanksgiving.

**(R)**

The poor when they see it will be glad  
 and God-seeking hearts will revive;  
 for the Lord listens to the needy,  
 and does not spurn his servants  
 in their chains. **(R)**

For God will bring help to Zion  
 and rebuild the cities of Judah, and  
 men shall dwell there in possession.  
 The sons of his servants shall inherit it;  
 those who love his name  
 shall dwell there. **(R)**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words Lord  
 are spirit and life;  
 You have the words of  
 everlasting life.

Alleluia!

**RECENT DEATHS  
 & ANNIVERSARIES**

Please pray for **Henk  
 Groenewegen** (Gen's  
 brother-in-  
 law) who died  
 recently, and **Nan  
 Duff**, whose  
 anniversary occurs  
 at this time.



**WEEKDAY MASSES**

10am Wednesday, Koroit.  
 10am Thursday, Port Fairy.

FUNERAL MASSES REPLACE  
 REGULAR SCHEDULE

## PLANNED GIVING

**Koroit:** Presbytery: \$216.80

Parish: \$352.50

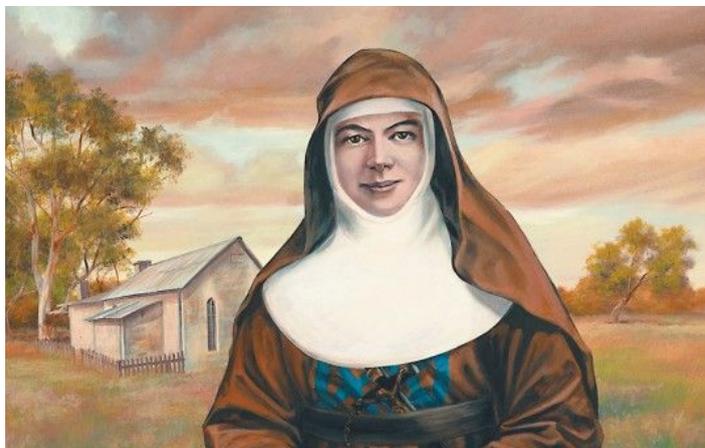
Special Collection: \$118.10

**Pt Fairy:** Presbytery: \$270.80

Parish \$277.50

Special Collection: \$85.60

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### THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> AUGUST

#### Feast of St Mary of the Cross at St Joseph's Parish, Penola

**12 noon SA time** (12:30 Vic EST)

Solemn Mass, followed by solemn veneration of the First Class relic of St Mary of the Cross.

**10am – 4pm SA time.** Free entry to the Mary MacKillop Interpretive Centre.

For more details, visit

[www.marymackilloppenola.org.au](http://www.marymackilloppenola.org.au)

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### LEO DALTON'S FUNERAL

Mary and the family wish to publicly thank all those volunteers who so generously donated their time assisting at Leo's funeral and the refreshments which followed.



### HOUSEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Thank you to the many who have submitted names of people who might appreciate home visits. Fr John will get in touch with them this week. Any more names, please call the parish number or e-mail [moyneccath@gmail.com](mailto:moyneccath@gmail.com).

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### DURING THE FLU SEASON

At the sign of peace, please **refrain from hand shaking**, and instead express the Lord's peace with a simple bow.

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### BISHOP PAUL BIRD CSSR

Our bishop turns 70 this Wednesday. May God bless and protect him now and always.

## GOSPEL REFLECTION

from *In Conversation with God*

by Fr Francis Fernandez

The precept to love one's neighbour has long existed in the Jewish Law, which even specified it in practical details. But among the Jews of Jesus' time there was a certain vagueness about the word *neighbour*: it wasn't clear whether it included only the members of one's own clan, or one's friends, or the entire chosen people. Opinions varied on the subject, and that was why the doctor of the Law asked Our Lord, "*Who is my neighbour?* To whom should I show all this love and mercy?"

Jesus answers with a very beautiful parable, which we find in the Gospel of Saint Luke: *A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half-dead. This is my neighbour: he is a man, any man whoever who has need of me. Our Lord makes no specific reference to race, friendship or blood connections. Our neighbour is anyone who is close to us and has need of help. Nothing is said of his country, or of his background or social condition: *homo quidam*, just a man, a human being.*

As we go through life we come across many cases of people who have been injured and left destitute and half-dead in body and soul. Our concern to help them, which springs from our closeness to Jesus, broadens

our heart and prevents us from falling into narrow-mindedness and selfishness. One discovers people who have been hurt by misunderstanding and loneliness, or by the absence of the most basic human necessities; people humiliated in their dignity as persons; people who have been shamefully robbed of their most elementary rights in ways which cry to heaven for vengeance. Christian men and women can never pass by on the other side, as some of the individuals in the parable did.

Every day we also meet the man who was left half dead, either because he has not been taught the elementary truths of the Faith, or because they have been stolen from him by the effects of others' bad example, or by media-conditioning. We can never forget that the Faith is the greatest treasure we have: much more important than material and human values. At times, before preaching the Faith, we must approach the man lying at the roadside and tend to his injuries. But as Christians we can never overlook the need to spread the Faith and to help people understand it better. At the same time, we try to provide other good things as well – education, culture, personal betterment, an appreciation of the value of work, honesty in personal relationships, and a desire for social justice. All these things are living expressions of what charity really means in practice.



## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

**First Reading.** *Gen 18:1-10.*

“Next year your wife Sarah will have a son.”

**Second Reading.** *Col 1:24-28.*

A mystery hidden for generations has been revealed to God's saints.

**Gospel.** *Lk 10:38-42.*

Martha works; Mary listens.

## KOROIT ROSTER: 21 JULY

Leader: Carmel Madden.

Readers: Fran Biber, Helen Carey.

Communion: Clare Gleeson, Doreen Bowron, Pat Lane.

Gifts: Maree and Patrick Lane and family.

Counters for July: Margaret Cashill, Rita McCluskey.

Cleaning and Flowers for July: Margaret Gleeson, Margaret Cashill.

## PORT FAIRY ROSTER: 21 JULY

Leader: K. Robertson.

Readers: Angela Hutchinson.

Communion: Marj Murrihy, J. Moloney, Tony Hutchinson.

Gifts: M. & E. Bishop.

Cleaning and Flowers for July: Eve Tamer and family.

## SUNDAY MASSES

### 1st Sunday of the month

Koroit (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat

Port Fairy: 10.30am Sun

### 2nd Sunday of the month

Port Fairy (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat

Koroit: 10.30am Sun

### 3rd Sunday of the month

Koroit (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat

Port Fairy: 10.30am Sun

### 4th Sunday of the month

Port Fairy (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat

Koroit: 10.30am Sun

### 5th Sunday of the month

Koroit (Vigil): 6.30pm Sat

Port Fairy: 10.30am Sun

EASY TO REMEMBER:

Port Fairy, Sunday morning: 1st, 3rd and 5th

Koroit, Sunday morning: 2nd and 4th

## RECONCILIATION

**St Joseph's, Warrnambool,**  
following 10am Friday Mass.

**West Warrnambool,**  
following 10am Saturday Mass.

**Koroit and Port Fairy,**  
every Saturday, 5pm – 6:15pm,  
at the place of the Vigil Mass.

**WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH.** Our Child Safe Policies can be read at the church entrance and on the parish webpage. Our parish safeguarding office is Peter Sanderson.

**CANONICAL ADMINISTRATOR:** Fr John Fitzgerald.

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