



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



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 27th July and Sunday 28th July 2019

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

***Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.***

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart:
you have heard the words of my mouth.
In the presence of the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple.

***Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.***

I thank you for your faithfulness and love,
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul.

***Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.***

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Though I walk in the midst of affliction
you give me life and frustrate my foes.

***Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.***

You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands.

***Lord, on the day I called for help,
you answered me.***

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit
which makes us God's
children,
and in that Spirit we call God
our Father.

Alleluia!

RECENT DEATHS & ANNIVERSARIES

John Gleeson, Pat Gleeson,
Joan Fairbridge, Nancy
O'Grady, Anthony O'Toole,
Joan Sinnott, Audrey
Stainsby, Bernadette
Walters, and Joan
Williams. May they
rest in peace.



WEEKDAY MASSES

10am Wednesday, Koroit

Requiem Mass for Pat Gleeson,
2pm Thursday, Port Fairy

FUNERAL MASSES REPLACE
THE REGULAR SCHEDULE

THANK YOU FOR GIVING

Koroit: Parish: \$916.50

Presbytery: \$240.10

Port Fairy: Parish \$359.00

Presbytery: \$334.15

THURSDAY 8th AUGUST at St Joseph's Parish, Penola

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

Solemn Mass, followed by solemn veneration of the First Class relic of St Mary of the Cross. **10am – 4pm:** Free entry to the Mary MacKillop Interpretive Centre.



NEW PARISH SECRETARY

We welcome Louise Dryburgh as our new secretary-bookkeeper. Louise works in Port Fairy on Mondays and Thursdays, from 9am to 1pm.



NEW BISHOP OF SANDHURST

Pope Francis has appointed Fr Shane Mackinlay, parish priest of Bungaree in Ballarat, next Bishop of Sandhurst. Fr Shane will be ordained in Bendigo in October. Keep him in your prayers!

FR JOHN FITZGERALD, Adm

Our new Canonical Administrator Fr John Fitzgerald is celebrating Mass in Koroit and Port Fairy this weekend. Fr John F will visit from time to time, affording him the opportunity to get to know parishioners.

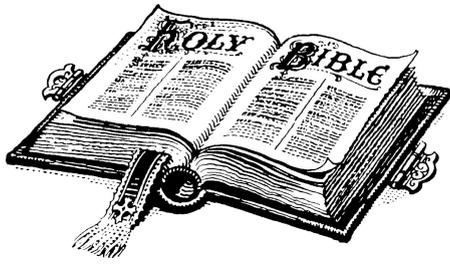
As Canonical Administrator, Fr John F is responsible for the material and spiritual welfare of the Koroit and Port Fairy parishes. His duties include governance of the schools, the selection of a new principal at St Patrick's Koroit, and the building works at both churches.

Fr John F has delegated the day to day *spiritual* duties to Fr John Corrigan, who as assistant priest will celebrate most of the weekend Masses in Koroit and Port Fairy, and minister baptisms, weddings and funerals. Fr John C also ministers to the house-bound and residents of Moyneyana, and collaborates with the schools in sacramental preparation.

Fr John C's weekday schedule is:

<i>Mon</i>	Sabbath rest and recreation
<i>Tue</i>	Diocesan duties, spiritual formation, and professional development
<i>Wed</i>	Pastoral care in Koroit
<i>Thu</i>	Pastoral care in Port Fairy
<i>Fri</i>	Pastoral care in Warrnambool

NB: This schedule does not apply to ministry to the dying and scheduling of funerals. In those cases, Fr John is always available.



GOSPEL REFLECTION

from *In Conversation with God*

by Fr Francis Fernandez

In our prayer to God, the first things we should seek from Him are spiritual goods – the grace to love Him more each day, to have an authentic desire for sanctity. We should also ask God for material goods insofar as they serve to bring us closer to Him. These goods can include good health, economic well-being, getting a job, etc.

St Augustine advises us:

“Pray for temporal goods in private, and rest in the knowledge that they come to us from Him who knows what is best for us. Did you ask and not get what you wanted? Trust in your Father. If it would have been good for you, you would have received it. Before God, you are much as a little child is before you. All day long, the child cries her eyes out so that you will give her a knife to play with. You wisely refuse her plea and pay no attention to her wailing. When the child demands to ride your horse, you won’t let her. The child doesn’t know how to ride, and may get injured or even killed as a result. You deny her in little things so as to preserve more important things. You want the

child to grow up safely and possess all her own goods without danger.”

This is how the Lord is with us. So many times we are like the child who doesn’t realise what it is she is asking.

God always wants what is best for us. A person’s happiness, therefore, is always to be found in his or her full identification with the Divine Will. Even though what God wills may sometimes not seem so appealing from a human point of view, it necessarily leads to what is in our best interests. St John Paul II once recalled how impressed he was by the cheerfulness of a man he met in a hospital during the Warsaw Uprising:

“This man achieved happiness by some other way because visibly – judging his physical state from the medical point of view – there was no reason for him to be so happy, to feel so well, and to consider himself heard by God. Yet he was heard in another aspect of his humanity.”

This aspect was the identification of his human will with the Divine Will. We have to want the Will of God: *“thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”* This is the best path to follow. It is the one prepared for us by the Lord. St Josemaria counsels: *Tell him, ‘Lord, I want nothing other than what you want. Even those things I am asking you for at present, if they take me an inch away from your Will, don’t give them to me. If you don’t want these things, why should I? You know best. Your Will be done.’*

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading. *Ecclesiastes 1:2,2:21-23.*
Vanity of vanities; all is vanity.

Second Reading. *Colossians 3:1-5,9-11.*
You must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Gospel. *Luke 12:13-21.*
Fool! This very night your soul will be demanded of you.

KOROIT: 3rd August, 6:30pm

Leader: Margaret Cashill.

Readers: Dooren Bowran, Kate Dobson.

Communion: Christine Russell, Clare Gleeson, Margaret Moloney.

Gifts: Leisa McCosh and family.

Counters for August: Bob Shanahan, Mick Glourey, Kevin Moroney.

Cleaning and Flowers for August: Ro Mugavin, Wendy Lane.

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

PORT FAIRY: 4th August, 10:30am

Leader: Trish Grady.

Readers: Liz McVeigh.

Communion: Tony Hutchinson, Marj Murrphy, Louise Tamer.

Gifts: M. McLindon and C. Dwyer.

Cleaning and Flowers for August: Kerrie Robertson and Joan McLean.

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.

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WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH.

Our Child Safe Policies can be read at the church entrance and on our webpages. Our safe-guarding officer is Peter Sanderson.