

MASSES DURING THE WEEK :

Koroit: Tuesday; 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.**

FATIMA STATUE (Port Fairy) Devotions will be in the Church on Tuesday and Thursday (when there is morning Mass) with Rosary from 9.30 am.



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

READINGS NEXT WEEK :

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

Leader: Fiona Moir

Readers: Mark Moloney; Gerard Auld

Extraordinary Ministers: Jenny Auld; Maryanne Evans; John Rea

Gifts: Mary Kelly

Counters for December: A & T Brady

Church Cleaning Flower Roster for December : Lorraine Dunne; Margaret Moloney



Port Fairy :

Leader: Martina Murrhoy

Reader : K Robertsdon

Special Ministers: David Ryan; John Hoy; Teresa Wales

Gifts: R Smith; J Corfield

Hospital : Henk Winnen; Mary Gibb

Church Cleaning/ Flower Roster for December:

Helen Moloney; Mary Gibb

MOYNE REGIONAL
CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY
January 2014

Weekend Mass Times 2014

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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Moyne Regional Catholic Community
The Parishes of
St Patrick's, Port Fairy
Infant Jesus, Koroit



Second Sunday of Advent

06.12.2015

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:

According to the instructions of the Roman Missal the Gospel Acclamation is sung and if it is not sung, it is omitted.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
Christ is coming!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the Lord's way
Make straight his paths.
All people then shall see
Our God's salvation.

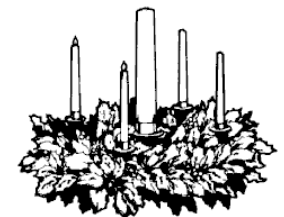
Recent Deaths:

Annie Collins; Bill Scutcheon

Anniversaries:

Raymond Sharp;

Fay McAlinden



Koroit News:

Koroit: Planned Giving: 377.50
Presbytery: \$247.70
Missions \$243.00

Gifting Tree

Koroit St Vincent de Paul Gifting Tree is now at the rear of the Infant Jesus church. This is an opportunity to make Christmas special for those in need. Envelopes with donations may be placed on Sunday's collection plate. Your donation will be greatly appreciated.

Mass for the Sick & Elderly (Koroit) will be held on Friday December 11 at 2.00pm in St Patrick's Hall.

Koroit end of **School Year Mass** will be held in the Infant Jesus Church at 2.00pm on Tuesday December 8.

Port Fairy News:

Planned Giving \$669.00
Presbytery \$540.55
Missions \$443.05


Port Fairy Finance Committee meeting on Wednesday December 9 in the Hall at 5.00pm. Please note change of date.

Moyneyana House Mass and anointing of the sick & Elderly will be at 10.00am on Tuesday, December 8

St Patrick's (Port Fairy) **end of school Year Mass** will be held at St Patrick's Church at 10.00am December 8.

Thank you to all who donated so generously the Mission Appeal last weekend.

Columban Calendars(\$7.00) for sale now in Port Fairy and Koroit—Christmas Cards (\$3.00) also available.



Have you thought? Baptism

We may think that Baptism is an invention of the Christian community but today's gospel makes it clear that baptism was used within the Jewish community and was put to a particular purpose by John the Baptist. Baptism was part of the Jewish tradition well before the time of Jesus. Ritual cleansing by full immersion was an important element of worship and converts to Judaism were required to walk through a deep bath known as a mikveh. John's use of baptism as a washing away of sin was a different interpretation of the well established practice.

Gospel Reflection.

Word of God proves greater than leaders of Rome

Of all the evangelists, Luke had the greatest concern for history. Beginning with the political situation in the known world (i.e., the Roman Empire), Luke reduced his focus from the general to the particular. Luke wanted to pinpoint the person of John the Baptist. He also wanted to raise the historical significance of John's activity. The word of God stirring in the Jordan had the same (even greater) impact than anything the Caesar did! Luke accomplished this feat by name dropping and with the use of a single sentence.

After Luke justified the activity of John as a historical event, he moved to justify the activity in Jewish tradition (the reference to Isaiah 40:3-4). Even though the Roman Empire condoned (and even legalised) anti-Semitism when Luke wrote his gospel, the general populace still had great esteem for the moral life of the Jews. While they might not understand the Jewish mentality and its insistence on monotheism, they did respect its stature as a religion with a tradition. In ancient culture, tradition was paramount, for it represented lasting values and lasting lifestyles.

Writing for a non-Jewish audience, Luke appealed to that tradition.

Possibly Luke knew the young Christian movement needed the legitimacy of tradition. He might have even reported the rhetoric of the Baptist movement that Christians adopted as their own. No matter. Luke gave his audience (and possible converts) a sense of place. The new movement fulfilled that of the old. Followers of the Way were now God's people.

- From a reflection on the Gospel by Larry Broding, founder of the Word-Sunday website

