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### Church Bulletin Bloopers



- Bertha Belch, a missionary from Mali, is speaking tonight at the hall. Come hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa.
- Ladies, don't forget the car boot sale; it's a chance to get rid of the stuff not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.*
- Today's peacemaking meeting has been cancelled due to conflict.

### WEEKDAY LITURGIES IN OUR REGION

<b>Mon 14<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30am Mass, St Pius X
<b>Tue 15<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30am Mass, Our Lady's 10:00am Mass, St Patrick's
<b>Wed 16<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30am Mass, Our Lady's 10:00am Mass, St Joseph's
<b>Thu 17<sup>th</sup></b> <i>*TBC</i>	9:30am Mass, Our Lady's 10:30am Mass, Mercy Place* 1:00pm Mass, Belfast House*
<b>Fri 18<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30am Mass, Our Lady's 10:00am Mass, St Joseph's 10:00am Mass, Infant Jesus
<b>Sat 19<sup>th</sup></b>	9:30am Mass, Our Lady's

### CONFESSION TIMES IN OUR REGION

<b>Mon 14<sup>th</sup></b>	5pm to 6pm, St Pius X
<b>Tue 15<sup>th</sup></b>	5pm to 6pm, St Pius X
<b>Wed 16<sup>th</sup></b>	None
<b>Thu 17<sup>th</sup></b>	5pm to 6pm, St Pius X
<b>Fri 18<sup>th</sup></b>	After 9:30am Mass, Our Lady's After 10am Mass, St Joseph's 5pm to 6pm, St Pius X
<b>Sat 19<sup>th</sup></b>	10am to 11am, St Pius X

### SUNDAY MASSES IN OUR REGION

Saturday Vigil Masses	
6:00pm	Our Lady's, East Warrnambool
6:30pm	Infant Jesus, Koroit
Sunday Morning Masses	
8:30am	St Joseph's, Warrnambool
9:00am	St Patrick's, Port Fairy
9:00am	Our Lady's, East Warrnambool
10:00am	St Joseph's, Warrnambool
10:30am	St Pius X, West Warrnambool
Sunday Evening Mass	
6:00pm	St Joseph's, Warrnambool

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*St Patrick's, Port Fairy and Infant Jesus, Koroit are child-safe parishes.*

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### MOYNE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

St Patrick's Parish, Port Fairy

Infant Jesus Parish, Koroit

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## Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

### FIRST READING

Ezekiel 17:22-24

*I will plant a shoot on the high mountain of Israel*

The Lord says this: 'From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

**RESPONSORIAL** Ps 115(116):12-13,15-18

*R/. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.*

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night.

*R/. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.*

The just will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar.

*R/. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.*

Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old,

still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong.

*R/. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.*

### SECOND READING

2 Cor 5:6-10

*We want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord*

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 15:15

*Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever.

*Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

### GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

*The kingdom of God is a mustard seed growing into the biggest shrub of all* Jesus said to the crowds: 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man

throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard

seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.



**SOW THE SEED WITH DIFFICULTY BUT WITHOUT DISCOURAGEMENT**

Fr Francis Fernandez

The first Christians faced a society in which it was well nigh impossible to have ideals. St Paul describes Roman society and the pagan world as places where the natural light of reason had been darkened in many ways, especially in regard to the dignity of the human person. He goes on to say: *Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonouring of their bodies among themselves, because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshipped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed for ever! Amen.*

*For this reason God gave them up to dishonourable passions. Their women exchanged natural relations for unnatural, and the men likewise gave up natural relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another, men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in their persons the due penalty for their error.*

*And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a base mind and to improper conduct. They were filled with all manner of wickedness, evil, covetousness, malice. Full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, malignity, they were gossips, slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless. (Rom 1:24-31)*

Working from within this society, Christians changed it. There the seed fell, then spread to the whole world. Although it was a small seed it carried a divine power, because the seed was Christ's. The first Christians who came to Rome were no different from ourselves, and with God's help produced an effective apostolate, working shoulder to shoulder, in the same jobs as everyone else, facing the same problems, obeying the same laws, unless they were directly contrary to the law of God. Truly the first Christians in Jerusalem, Antioch and Rome were tiny mustard seeds seemingly lost in a huge field.

Although our society seems at times to be like the one described by St Paul, we ought not to lose heart at meeting obstacles. God counts on us to transform the place where we live and work. Although what we can do may seem small and insignificant, like the grain of mustard seed, let us not neglect to do what we can, because God counts on that contribution. With our prayer and sacrifice He will ensure that there is growth and fruit. That 'little' we can do may be advising a colleague or friend to read a particular book; or being attentive to a client, fellow passenger or workmate; or giving a helping hand when needed; or praying for a sick friend or a neighbour's child, and asking that they pray for us; or helping someone get to confession. And always living a cheerful, honest life. Everybody should be discreetly, quietly and daringly apostolic. This can be so if we remain united to God, if we reject a comfort-loving existence, if we overcome lukewarmness and discouragement.

**MASSES AFTER LOCKDOWN 4.0**

Current restrictions on places of worship permit only 44 people in St Patrick's Church in Port Fairy. To ensure a seat at Mass in Port Fairy, you are advised to book your place online. Booking ahead of time is recommended, but not required.

Visit [www.trybooking.com/BRYWR](http://www.trybooking.com/BRYWR)

Alternatively, call Louise or Fr John C.

Booking is also available for Mass in Koroit, but 75 people can gather in the Infant Jesus church, so seats are almost certainly assured even without booking.

**Recent deaths:** Frank Farley, Kevin Haberfield.

**Anniversaries:** Fr Patrick Downes, Greg Fitzgibbons, George Lancaster, Mary Peacock, Fr Tom Russell.

**Towards the first Plenary Assembly 2<sup>nd</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

From today's Gospel: "What can we say the kingdom of God is like?"

This love cannot be mere words because it is an imitation of Christ's own love for every person, a love that forgives, transforms, and brings those who hear him into the fullness of life.

(Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal – Discernment Paper, p. 6)

[www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthe flame/](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthe flame/)

**CATHOLIC MEN'S GATHERING**

In this Year of St Joseph, the National Catholic Men's Gathering is organising a free event for registered participants, focused on St Joseph and including a pre-recorded introductory session, three pre-recorded sessions and a final commissioning, all available from Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021. For more info, see [www.nce.catholic.org.au/catholicmen](http://www.nce.catholic.org.au/catholicmen)

**HELDER CAMARA LECTURE 2021**

Preparations continue for the Plenary Council, including a public lecture by Plenary Council President, Perth Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB. The lecture is at 5:00pm on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June at Newman College. Bookings are essential. RSVP by 28<sup>th</sup> June via email: [mark.oconnor@marists.org.au](mailto:mark.oconnor@marists.org.au)



**Koroit Sanctuary Lamp**

This week's candle is offered for a private intention. To dedicate a candle, fill in the envelope at church entrance.

**NEXT WEEK'S ROSTER:** Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2021. (*Third Sunday of the month.*)

Twelfth Sunday, Ordinary Time	6:30pm Mass, Koroit	9:00am Mass, Port Fairy
Welcome & Intercessions	Maree Lane	Gen Verdonck
First & Second Readings	Nick Murrell	Graeme Munro
Procession of Gifts		C. Dwyer & R. Palmer
Holy Communion	Pat Lane	Peter Sanderson