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**PARISH PERSONNEL**

Co-Pastor & Moderator	Fr John Fitzgerald
Co-Pastor	Fr John Corrigan
Assistant Priest	Fr Bill Lowry
Parish Manager	Tony Herbert
Accounts Manager	Louise Dryburgh
Secretary	Leanne McElgunn
Maintenance	Pat Negri

**SCHOOL PRINCIPALS**

St John's Dennington	Ben van de Camp
St Patrick's Koroit	Nick Murrell
St Patrick's Port Fairy	Olga Lyons
St Joseph's W'bool	Matthew O'Brien
St Pius X W'bool West	Joe Ewing
OLHC W'bool East	Stephen Madden
Emmanuel College	Peter Morgan

**WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH**

Star of the Sea Parish adheres to the Child Safe Standards of Victoria. Our policies are on display in each Church, and on our website. Parish Safeguarding Officers:

*Infant Jesus, Koroit*  
Nick Murrell

*St Patrick's, Port Fairy*  
Peter Sanderson

*St Joseph's, Warrnambool*  
Anne Maree Mugavin

*St Pius X, Warrnambool West*  
Karen Johnson

*OLHC, Warrnambool East*  
Dion Bartlett

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We recognise the traditional custodians of parish lands. We acknowledge their ancestors with respect and we are committed to working for justice and reconciliation.

**28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> October 2022

**BLESSING OF ANIMALS**  
 5:30pm, Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October at St Joseph's



Many people bring their pets to church to be blessed on or around the feast of St Francis of Assisi (4<sup>th</sup> October). St Francis had a beautiful rapport with animals and he expressed his love for them in his *Canticle of Creatures*.

If you are unable to join us on Friday, you can always pray for and bless your pets and animals at home. A verbal blessing, with or without a sprinkling of holy water, can be offered in your backyard, garden or anywhere inside your home.

The following Pet Blessing can be used:

*Blessed are you, Lord God, maker of all living creatures. You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air, and animals on the land. You inspired St Francis to identify them as our brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless this pet, N. By the power of your love, enable him/her to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures! Amen.*



**Baptismal Preparation:** This Tuesday 7.00pm at St Joseph's Gathering Space. Further enquiries: contact Parish Office. (Fr Bill)

**Back to Crossley:** Come and join in the dance or just sit and listen to the music. Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2.00pm to 6.00pm, Crossley Hall. Tickets \$10 or enq Jose 0438 891 313; Loretta 0408 687 261.

**Catholic Women's League:** Invitation to celebrate Mass and social get together: Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 10.00am to 3.00pm at the Benedictine Monastery Camperdown (280 Camperdown Cobden Rd, Camperdown). Lunch and morning cuppa \$10. Further information Kate Daffy (5595 1020).

**Deaths:** June Dalton, Joseph Walker

**Anniversaries:** Frank Lamb, Sharon O'Dwyer, Marie Paten, Margaret Lee, Julie Walsh, Kate Girdlestone, Max McDougall, Anthea Bankoff, Margaret Stainsby, Yu Siu Keng, Jeannie Howland

**Liturgy Formation:** The Diocesan Liturgical Commission will be offering Liturgy Formation sessions for interested parishioners at a date to be confirmed. The topics for our parish are:

- \* Sunday Assembly of the Word and Communion
- \* Scripture Reflection

This formation training is a positive step in working towards a future where lay-led assemblies can be confidently celebrated in the event that a priest is unavailable.

**Has God Been Debunked?** People have been struggling with the big questions of life since the dawn of humankind. Who is God? Does God exist? What is the meaning of life? Has modern science made faith redundant? And why Christianity and not some other faith? These questions are perhaps more pressing now than ever before. Join us for a series of discussions on the big questions of life, meaning and the universe. Everyone is welcome, whatever your belief system or lack thereof to some friendly and enlightening discussion of those important beliefs that underpin Christian thought.

*Where:* Images Café & Bar, 60 Liebig St Warrnambool  
*When:* Each week for four weeks beginning Monday 17th October  
*Time:* 7.00pm for 7.30pm start  
*Further information:* Don Stewart - unmuzzledmusic@gmail.com

**Retired & Sick Priests Fund:** Thank you to parishioners who gifted \$3,379.00. Your contribution is very much appreciated

**Family Rosary Group:** For this month of October, Monday evenings at St Pius X 7.00pm. All welcome.

**Tuesday Cards:** Euchre & Solo. This week at OLHC

**Holy Hour:** 10.00am every Monday at OLHC. All welcome.

**ST JOSEPH'S COMMUNITY, WARRNAMBOOL**

**Ministries:** Please consider being involved in the Ministries especially Welcoming, Offertory Procession and IT. A sign up sheet is available in the Gathering Space. New roster out soon

**ST PIUS X COMMUNITY, WARRNAMBOOL WEST**

All welcome to stay for a cuppa following Mass next Sunday

**OLHC COMMUNITY, WARRNAMBOOL EAST**

Cuppa following 9.00am Mass next Sunday. All welcome

**ST PATRICK'S COMMUNITY, PORT FAIRY**

Piety Shop has assortment of gifts for sale along with spiritual and prayer books to borrow. If unable to find a specific item please contact Marita (0402 431 053).

**The Pope's Monthly Intention.** For a Church open to everyone. We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

**WEEKEND MASSES**

**Saturday Vigil**  
 6:00pm OLHC, Warrnambool East

**Sunday Morning**  
 8:30am St Joseph's, Warrnambool  
 9:00am Infant Jesus, Koroit  
 9:00am OLHC, Warrnambool East  
 10:00am St Pius X, Warrnambool West  
 10:30am St Joseph's, Warrnambool  
 10:30am St Patrick's, Port Fairy  
 11:00am St Anne's, Purnim\*  
 \*Eucharist 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month; Assembly of the Word with Communion 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Sunday Evening**  
 6:00pm St Joseph's, Warrnambool

**RECONCILIATION**

St Pius X 5pm to 6pm every weekday  
 St Patrick's After 10:00am Tuesday Mass  
 OLHC After 9:30am Thursday Mass  
 Infant Jesus After 10:00am Friday Mass  
 St Joseph's After 10:00am Friday Mass

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday 9.30am: St Pius X  
 Tuesday 9.30am: Our Lady Help of Christians  
 10.00am: St Patrick's, Port Fairy  
 Wednesday 9.30am: St Pius X  
 10:00am: St Joseph's  
 Thursday 9.30am: Our Lady Help of Christians  
 Friday 10:00am: St Joseph's  
 10.00am: Infant Jesus, Koroit

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October is the feast of Pope St John XXIII, who was known for his kindness and his wit. A few examples:**



- \* Italians come to ruin generally in three ways: women, gambling, and farming. My family chose the slowest one.
- \* It often happens that I wake up at night and think about a serious problem and decide to tell the pope about it. Then I wake up completely and remember that I am the pope!
- \* People are like wine. Some turn to vinegar, but the best improve with age!
- \* See everything. Overlook a great deal. Correct a little.
- \* Humanity is a great immense family. This is proved by what we feel in our hearts at Christmas.