



**Star of the Sea Parish South West Coast**

★ Infant Jesus, Koroit ★ St Patrick's, Port Fairy ★ St Anne's, Purnim ★ St Joseph's, Warrnambool ★  
 ★ Our Lady Help of Christians, Warrnambool East ★ St Pius X, Warrnambool West ★

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**PARISH PERSONNEL**

Parish Priest	Fr John Fitzgerald
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Admin Team	Karen Johnson Virginia Martin Trisha McGinness

**SCHOOL PRINCIPALS**

St John's Dennington	Ben van de Camp
St Patrick's Koroit	Tegan McDonald
St Patrick's Port Fairy	Olga Lyons
St Joseph's W'bool	Matthew O'Brien
St Pius X W'bool West	Nick Murrell
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 website.

Parish Safeguarding Officers:

Infant Jesus, Koroit	Leisa McCosh
St Patrick's, Port Fairy	Peter Sanderson
St Joseph's, W'bool	Matthew O'Brien
St Pius X, W'bool West	Karen Johnson
OLHC, W'bool 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.

**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 14/15 Sept 2024

**Parish Pastoral Council**  
**Summary of Meeting of 20 August 2024**  
**Location: Port Fairy**

- The Port Fairy Leadership Team was invited to attend the early part of the meeting. They spoke of the many positives that have happened at the church as well as a few challenges ahead.
- Feedback re change in Mass times– parishioners have been most understanding and have embraced the new times
- Time was spent on how best to respond to the many pastoral challenges. Can we ask any more of our dwindling volunteers or do we seek out paid staff?
- How can we support a Soup Kitchen?

**Parish Safeguarding**

Please contact the Office to register your email (to receive the link to the training module) or to find out how we can help you complete this important training.

Thanks to the number of parishioners who have responded this past week.

**Bishop Paul Bird** writes:

‘In April this year, our Professional Standards Office sent Parishes a new safeguarding training module called “Safetrac”, requesting that this training be completed by those parishioners who have particular ministries in the Parish that require them to do this basic training.

In view of the importance of this training I ask that this training be completed by **October 31** this year.’

Mr Michael Myers can assist with any questions about how to complete the training online or on paper.

Ph. 5337 7121 or email: [michael.myers@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:michael.myers@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

**Recent Deaths:** Daniel Clapham, Colin Kelly, Margaret Gleeson

**Anniversaries:** Margaret Beattie, Nell Glover, Pat Glover, John Glover, Shae Johnson, Phillis Harrington, Daniel O'Connor, Des Jackman, Michael Jackman, Ross McCann, Sylvie Watty, Nance McNiece, Gertrude & William Ryan, Bess & Frank Houlihan, Laurie Callaghan, Thomas O'Keefe, John Hyland, Jack Mugavin (Purnim), Win van de Mark

**Engaging your Faith Online Series**

‘Engaging Your Faith’ is a series of short, online presentations that invite participants to reflect on what it means to be people of faith in the contemporary world. Topics include the following: Scripture, Synodal Church, Lay and Ordained Ministry, Spirituality, Religion and Ethics, Science and faith issues. Cost is \$25.00 per session or \$40.00 if seeking teacher accreditation. For more information and to register go to <https://ctc.edu.au/news-and-events/engaging-your-faith/>

**Community Refugee Integration and Settlement Pilot**

**CRISP New Fundraiser**  
 Star of the Sea CRISP team are at the stage of fundraising to enable matching with a second refugee household. If you are interested in helping either financially or joining others in the parish to help with their resettlement, please see the links below. Tax deductible receipts are provided. Katherine 0459 615 564.  
<https://refugeesponsorship.org.au>  
<https://shoutforgood.com/fundraisers/StaroftheSeaParish2>



**CASPA's - National Week of Prayer and Action: September 16 – 20, 2024**

Each year, the Catholic Alliance for People Seeking Asylum (CAPSA) holds a National Week of Prayer and Action and celebrates World Day of Migrants and Refugees. Please see details of webinar at <https://events.humanitix.com/capsa-webinar-national-week-of-prayer-and-action-journeying-together-with-refugees-and-people-seeking-asylum>

**Up-date on Roof Replacement (St Joseph's)**

The works on the roof include removing and disposing of all the slates, insulation & battens. These will be renewed by using Baltic pine battens, Bradford Enviroseal heavy duty breathable sisalation and updating from Spanish slate to more durable Canadian Glendye and Welsh slate to match the exiting pattern.

**Advance Notice**

St Patrick's Catholic School Port Fairy, celebrates its 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. There are a number of celebrations to mark this special occasion – one being the parish Sunday Mass on the 27<sup>th</sup> October will be celebrated at the school (not the church). It will be at the normal time of 10:30am.

**Vandalism**

We are saddened by the recent damage to the beautiful stained-glass windows at St Patrick's Church Port Fairy. We are already looking into how best to restore them.

**St Joseph's:** Bible study Wednesday's: 7:00pm

**OLHC:** Holy Hour every Monday at 10:00am

**St Pius X:** Cup of tea after Mass today

**St Patrick's:** Piety Shop has beautiful gifts of all sorts for your spiritual needs. New stock arriving all the time. Contact 0402 431 053

**Rosary for September** Mondays at 7:00pm at OLHC

**Baptisms:** This weekend we welcome Paige Malady, Harrison Kearns and Nicholas Nevitt into our faith community.

**WEEKEND MASSES**

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

**Sunday Morning**  
 9:00am Infant Jesus, Koroit  
 9:00am St Pius X, Warrnambool West  
 10:30am St Joseph's, Warrnambool  
 10:30am St Patrick's, Port Fairy  
 6:00pm St Joseph's Warrnambool  
 \*11:00am St Anne's, Purnim  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month (Eucharist)  
 \*All other Sundays  
 Assembly of the Word with Communion

**RECONCILIATION**

St Patrick's After 10:00am Tuesday Mass  
 OLHC After 10:00am Thursday Mass  
 St Joseph's After 10:00am Friday Mass  
 Infant Jesus After 10:00am Friday Mass

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Mon	1:00pm St Joseph's (Daniel Clapham RIP)
Tues	10:00am St Pius X
Wed	10:00am St Joseph's
Thur	10:00am OLHC 11:00am Mercy Place
Fri	10:00am St Joseph's 11:00am Infant Jesus (Margaret Gleeson RIP)
Sat	10:00am OLHC

**Pope's Intention for September**

**For the cry of the earth:** Let us pray that each of us listen with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit. Lord, hear us.

**Baptisms**

An information session takes place at 7:00pm on the second Tuesday of every month in the Gathering Space at St Joseph's.

**Next session:** Tues 8<sup>th</sup> October  
 Please phone the Parish Office to book.

