



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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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.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5/6 October 2024

Communion from the Chalice
(Excerpts from the Bishop's letter)

Dear People of the Diocese,
As Covid restrictions have been lifted, some have asked me about reintroducing the option of communion from the chalice in our diocese of Ballarat ...

I consider that it is time to reintroduce the option of communion from the chalice ...

In the diocese of Ballarat, communities may reintroduce the option of communion from the chalice from **November 1** this year ...

The common aim is to allow the faithful to receive Christ under the appearance of wine as well as under the appearance of bread, following the words of Jesus "Take and eat" and "Take and drink". In this way, communion is more clearly a sign of sharing in Christ's heavenly banquet.

Anyone who is feeling unwell should refrain from taking the chalice.

May the revival of this practice enrich our celebration of communion with Christ and with one another.

God bless you all.
Bishop Paul
(NB: The complete letter is on your church's Notice Board)

Church Roof at St Joseph's

While on-going works are in progress on St Joseph's Church roof, there will be **no weekday services** at St Joseph's for the next 2-3 weeks to allow for the these works to be completed as quickly as possible. This halt on services is also for health and safety reasons.

Thus there will be no weekday Masses or Funerals during this time.
NB: The Sunday Masses will continue as per usual.

Anniversaries: Mary Therese Wolff, Joe Morgan, Keith Nelson, Jeannie Howland, Kathleen O'Callaghan, Pte G Warburton (KIA Vietnam), Frank Greene, Clare Riordon, Sharon O'Dwyer

Annual Vacation

Fr John will commence his annual vacation following this weekend's Masses. While he is away Fr Terry Bergin, a retired priest from the Archdiocese of Melbourne, will be in residence at St Joseph's. Fr Terry will be available for the weekend Masses only.

World Mission Sunday (20 October)

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to "invite others to the banquet", and so we invite you to share the warmth of God's love with our brothers and sisters who need it most in Mongolia.

Your gift will assist the ongoing work of the 'House of Mercy', inaugurated on 4 September 2023, in the presence of Pope Francis. It is located in a disused school complex and was established, thanks to the initiative of the local Church, Cardinal Giorgio Marengo and thanks to the support of the Australian Pontifical Mission Societies. It provides a haven for many people, including those affected by homelessness and domestic violence in areas where the temperature can drop to minus 40C!

You can support this work by using the appeal envelope or going online at catholicmission.org.au/Mongolia.

Food Drive

Warrnambool Christian Churches are seeking volunteers to drop off empty bags on Sunday 27th October and hopefully collect full bags 3rd November.

Each year we aim to deliver 1500 empty calico bags to homes around Warrnambool (with instructions), encouraging residents to fill the bags with non-perishable food, which is taken to Western District Food Share, where it is provided to people in need in our city.

If you are interested in being involved, or need further information please contact Parish Office.

CRISP Fundraiser Movie Night

Help settle another refugee family by supporting our fundraising movie night 'One Life' starring Anthony Hopkins.

Thursday October 24 at the Capitol Cinema. 5.30pm refreshments. 6.30pm Film Screening. Tickets \$25. Lucky Door Prizes
Purchase tickets online at <https://www.trybooking.com/1293583> or cash tickets at the Parish Office. All enquiries Jane 0425 796 663

Baptisms: This weekend Otto & Amaia de Visscher, Hunter Cook-O'Loughlin, Lottie Ryan, Shontelle Cerdana and Jack Johnson will be welcomed into our faith community.

Infant Jesus: 'Mothers who Pray for their Children' meet Friday at 10.45am. South West Co-ordinator Marita 0402 431 053

St Joseph's: Morning tea next weekend after 10:30am Mass Safeguarding Committee meeting 7:00pm this Thurs
Bible Study: Wednesday's: 7:00pm
Printed liturgical rosters are available in the sacristy porch.

OLHC: Holy Hour every Monday at 10:00am

Rosary for October: Mondays at 7:00pm St Pius X

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
2nd Sunday of the month (Eucharist)
*All other Sundays
Assembly of the Word with Communion

RECONCILIATION

St Joseph's After 10:00am Friday Mass
OLHC After 10:00am Saturday Mass
NB: Tuesday reconciliation at St Pius X has been discontinued. For the sacrament of Reconciliation outside of regular scheduled times. Please contact the priests of the parish to arrange an appointment.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues	10:00am St Pius X
Wed	10:00am OLHC
Thur	10:00am OLHC 11:00am Mercy Place
Fri	10:00am St Pius X
Sat	10:00am OLHC

NB: Note the location of weekday Masses for the next 2-3 weeks

Pope's Intention for October

Let us pray that the Church continue to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.

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 8th October
Please phone the Parish Office to book.

