



Star of the Sea Parish South West Coast

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PARISH PERSONNEL

Parish Priest	Fr John Fitzgerald
Assistant Priest	Fr Bill Lowry
Business Manager	Bruce Keeley
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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	
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.

Second Sunday of Lent
 15th/16th March 2025

Holy Week

13 April: Passion (Palm) Sunday The Palms symbolize Christ's triumph, while the Cross is the symbol by which His triumph is achieved.

14 April: Mass of Holy Oils 11.30am (Cathedral, Ballarat) This Mass has special significance for those who will use the Blessed Oils this coming year: the ordained, the sick, those to be baptised and confirmed.

15 April: Communal Celebration of God's Mercy and Forgiveness 7:30pm at St Joseph's

The Easter Triduum

17 April: Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper
 5:30pm Koroit
 7:00pm St Joseph's
 7:30pm St Pius X

18 April: Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion
 3:00pm St Joseph's & Koroit

19 April: Easter Vigil
 5:30pm Koroit
 6:00pm St Joseph's
 7:30pm St Pius X

20 April: Easter Sunday
 9:00am OLHC
 10:00am St Anne's Purnim
 10:30am St Joseph's
 10:30am Port Fairy

There will be no **6:00pm Mass** at St Joseph's on Easter Sunday

NB: The Easter Triduum will be celebrated at OLHC and Port Fairy in 2026. We just have the two priests this year.

Stations of the Cross

18 April: Good Friday
 9:00am Koroit (Infant Jesus)
 10:00am OLHC
 11:00am Port Fairy (St Patrick's)
 11:00am Purnim (St Anne's)
 11:00am Ecumenical Way of the Cross Walk - Cannon Hill to Lake Pertobe



OLHC: Holy Hour - Mondays at 10:00am

Infant Jesus: 'Mothers who Pray for their Children' meet at 10:45am on Fridays. Co-ordinator Marita 0402 431 053

St Patrick's: Piety Shop has beautiful gifts of all sorts for your spiritual needs. New stock now available.

St Pius X: Cuppa after Mass today

Rosary for March: Mondays at 7:00pm at St Joseph's

Baptisms: Soren McKenzie and Colter Morrissey will be welcomed into our faith community this weekend.

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program Online Study

The Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) is a growing initiative to offer adult religious education and faith formation anytime and anywhere, online. This low-cost (\$50usd) online study and formation for employed or volunteer lay workers in parishes is available through our partner, Dayton University. Choose from 37 subjects when the next Cycle begins on March 10. Registrations are open now. Scan or click the QR code or contact djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph. 5337 7121.



Fr Bill's Farewell 'Itinerary'

St Joseph's -30 March after 10:30am Mass please bring a 'Plate'
St Pius X 's - 6 April after 9:00am Mass
Infant Jesus - 27 April after 9:00am Irish Mass please bring a 'Plate'

The Season of Lent

Stations of the Cross: 7:30pm Fridays during Lent at St Joseph's
Lenten Appeal: West W'bool & W'Bool St Vincent de Paul;
 22/23 March - Tinned Fruit

Project Compassion

Toefuata'iga a primary school student from Samoa faced severe water shortages at her school. Thanks to Caritas Australia and the generosity of supporters like you, her primary school now has a 10,000 L water tank. Teachers and students now have access to clean water at their school and are able to focus on education. You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above.
Call: 1800 024 413 **Online at:** caritas.org.au/project-compassion



Recent Deaths: Keith Williams
Anniversaries: Mollie Jackman, Wilhelmina Sinn, Bernie Shaw, Mary Barling (Nirranda)

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

OLHC After 10:00am Saturday Mass

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues	10:00am St Pius X
Wed	10:00am St Joseph's School Mass
Thurs	10:00am OLHC 11:00am Mercy Place
Fri	11:00am St Joseph's Keith Williams RIP
Sat	10:00am OLHC

Pope's Intention for March

For Families in Crisis:
 Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

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



Next session:
 Tuesday 8th April
 Please phone the Parish Office to book.