



# 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	
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.

## Fourth Sunday of Lent

29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> 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** 1:00pm (Ballarat Cathedral) 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  
 5:30pm St Pius X

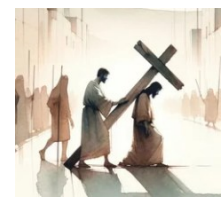
**19 April: Easter Vigil**  
 5:30pm Koroit  
 6:00pm St Joseph's  
 8:00pm St Pius X

**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

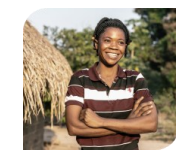
## Stations of the Cross

**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



## The Season of Lent

**Stations of the Cross:** 7:30pm Fridays during Lent at St Joseph's



## Project Compassion

**Irene** lives in the Kongolo Region in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and faced immense challenges after losing her father to war and raising her children in poverty. With support from Caritas Australia, Irene received vocational training in sewing and farming and can now support her whole family.



**Lenten Appeal:** St Vincent de Paul: 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> April - Tea/Coffee

**OLHC:** Holy Hour - Mondays at 10:00am

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

**Baptisms:** This weekend we welcome Charlie, Benjamin, Caleb and Ellidy Lewis into our faith community.

## Fr Bill's Farewell 'Itinerary'

**St Joseph's:** Fr Bill's Farewell after Mass today in the Parish Hall  
**St Pius X:** 6 April after 9:00am Mass. If you are able to help please contact Annette 0458 622 529.  
**St Patrick's:** 13 April after 10:30am Mass. Please bring a 'plate'.  
**Infant Jesus:** 27 April after 9:00am Mass. Please bring a 'plate'  
**OLHC:** 26 April after 6:00pm Mass

## Reconciliation

This week the children of our Parish are celebrating God's mercy. Lord we pray that you fill their hearts with Your peace and love as they take this important step in their journey of faith.

## Quest Terminals

The new Quest terminals have been well received. These terminals make it easier to contribute to the wellbeing of the Parish. Thank you to everyone who has embraced this new technology. If you haven't had a chance to try them yet, we encourage you to do so – it's quick and easy!

## Deep Clean Underway Across Our Churches

A deep clean (up to six metres in height) will be completed at St Joseph's Church in early April. Infant Jesus Church, Koroit will be next and then the remaining churches in our parish. This will support our wonderful volunteers who do a great job of keeping the basic cleaning done in such a good manner. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our churches clean, welcoming, and beautiful!

## Canterbury Road Property Update

We would like to update you on the Canterbury Road property we are managing as we continue to carefully consider the best path forward. We are currently exploring several options for how this space can best serve our community and mission. While no final decisions have been made yet, we want to assure you that every possibility is being thoughtfully assessed. We appreciate your patience and interest in this process.

**Recent Deaths:** John Donohue, Margaret Healey (Bundaberg) Sr Mary Reginald SGS (Joan Ryan)

**Anniversaries:** Denis McKimmie, David Lenehan, Jan Anderson, Peter Carey, Dale Summer, Colin Savory, Eileen Paten, Sr Imelda Worcester, Lynette McKernan

## 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

OLHC After 10:00am Saturday Mass

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues 10:00am St Pius X  
 10:00am Port Fairy

Wed 10:00am St Joseph's

Thurs 11:00am OLHC  
 John Donohue RIP

Fri 10:00am St Joseph's  
 10:00am Koroit

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 8<sup>th</sup> April  
 Please phone the Parish Office to book.