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★ Our Lady Help of Christians, Warrnambool East ★ St Pius X, Warrnambool West ★

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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	Jill Haberfield
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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.

6/7 June 2026

Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

The Feast of Corpus Christi

This feast arose in 13th century Belgium in response to debates about the real presence and as a result of an upsurge in eucharistic piety. The feast celebrates the mystery of the nourishing and enduring presence of the body and blood of Christ in the Eucharist.

Fr John's Farewell Itinerary

Commencing next Sunday 14 June at St Annes Purnim, Fr John will share a cuppa with parishioners of the various communities.

Fr John is in his 23rd year at St Joseph's and has been the Parish Priest of the amalgamated parishes for the past few years

- ◆ Sunday 14 June: St Anne's, Purnim 11:00am
- ◆ Sunday 28 June: St Patrick's, Port Fairy 10:30am
- ◆ Sunday 5 July: Infant Jesus, Koroit 9:00am
- ◆ Sunday 12 July: St Pius X 9:00am
- ◆ Saturday 18 July: Our Lady Help of Christians 6:00pm
- ◆ Sunday 19 July: St Joseph's 6:00pm
- ◆ Sunday 26 July: St Joseph's 10:30pm



St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

A growing number of local families are finding it harder to manage household expenses, and as we enter another long, cold winter season, more families are seeking assistance.

Our welfare volunteers assist in a quiet and non-judgemental way, believing that every person deserves to have the basics and the right to a good standard of living: to not lose hope.

We rely on the generosity of our supporters. Winter Appeal envelopes are available for cash donations. Non-perishable food items can also be left in the Gathering Space during the next few weeks. QR Code donations also welcome. Thank you.



NB: There will be a brief talk at each of the Masses this weekend.

Recent Deaths: Lee Rowan, Juliana Arminde de Jesus (Timor Leste)

Anniversaries: Catherine Hall, Alice Kelly, Eileen McElgunn, George Lancaster

Baptisms: This weekend Georgia Lee, Lenny & Isaac Atwell, Flynn & Patrick O'Rourke, Murphy Jamison and Archie Walter will be welcomed into our faith community.

Rosary: St Joseph's (June) on Mondays at 7:00pm.
: Port Fairy on Wednesdays at 11:00am



Port Fairy: Cuppa after Mass today
St Joseph's: Bible Study - 7:00pm at St Joseph's
'Cuppa' next Sunday provided by Family Groups
St Pius X: Prayer Meeting Tuesdays: 1:15pm-3:00pm.
OLHC: Holy Hour, rosary and adoration Mondays at 10:00am

PLT Meetings this Week

St Joseph's on Wednesday at 5:00pm
Infant Jesus, Koroit on Wednesday at 7:00pm

Seaside Community Kitchen

It has been 12 months since Seaside Community Kitchen reopened and during that time we have proudly served 1,423 nutritious three course meals to members of our community in need.

These meals have been provided through both dine-in and takeaway services ensuring support is accessible to those who need it most.

Our success is made possible by the dedication of our volunteers, committee and the many wonderful volunteers who generously give their time and energy.

We are also incredibly grateful to our sponsors and donors. Their ongoing support enables us to continue operating and serving our community and without them our wok would not be possible

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to making the past year a positive and impactful one. (SCK Committee)

A Note from Project Compassion

Last year alone, we supported 100 projects across 30 countries, impacting over 2.3 million people - none of which would be possible without the ongoing support of the communities like yours (Star of the Sea Parish). We are truly grateful to you for answering the call to Unite Against Poverty with us once again.

Catholic Development Fund (CDF)

Reach your savings goals while supporting the community

If you're looking to invest your money for the common good, you can choose from a range of savings and term investments accounts with CDF Community Fund. Scan the QR code or go to: <https://www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/>

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St Pius X Church	Tues 5:10pm
Morriss Road	Sat 9:40am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues	10:30am St Pius X Lee Rowan RIP 5:30pm St Pius X
Wed	10:00am St Joseph's
Thurs	10:00am OLHC
Fri	10:00am St Joseph's
Sat	10:00am St Pius X

Prayer for June

For the values of sport: Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth. Lord, hear us.

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: Tues 9 June 2026
To book please call 5562 2231

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Jesus said to the Jews:

‘I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.’

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: ‘How can this man give us his flesh to eat?’ they said. Jesus replied:

‘I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.’

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word

THE LIVING BREAD

Have you ever sat at the deathbed of someone you love, or looked at media reports of destruction of people’s houses and living quarters in parts of the world dominated by violence, or realised the effects of global warming, or seen the tragedy of life in the faces of the young that flash across our TV screens? In our depths, we desire life; life for those who are dying, for those close to us, for those whose lives are tragically shortened by war, for our natural world, for the young.

This very theme is the focus of today’s Gospel text from John 6. Called the ‘bread of life discourse’, this chapter unpacks John’s theology of the Eucharist. The final section of this long Chapter is about the life that Jesus offers. This life comes from the ‘living bread which has come down from heaven’. This is a rich theological symbol at many levels: it is the life, the ‘bread’, given to the Jews through God’s gift to them in the Torah (the first 5 books of the Bible). There they find how to live in covenantal partnership with God; it is the wisdom that comes from Jesus’ teaching; it is the Eucharistic bread received into the community in the celebration of the Lord’s Supper.

The reality of this symbol is underscored using the word ‘flesh’—another rich symbol emphasising Jesus’ presence in its abundance. To eat this eucharistic bread and drink his blood offers communion with him in his fullness, and the promise of a life that will outlive the grave and any suffering and tragedy that confronts. Communion with him brings us true life.

Fr Michael Trainor

THE SAVING WORD

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST / A

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FIRST READING

Deut 8:2-3, 14-16

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

He gave you food which you and your ancestors did not know.

Moses said to the people: ‘Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and to know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

‘Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.’

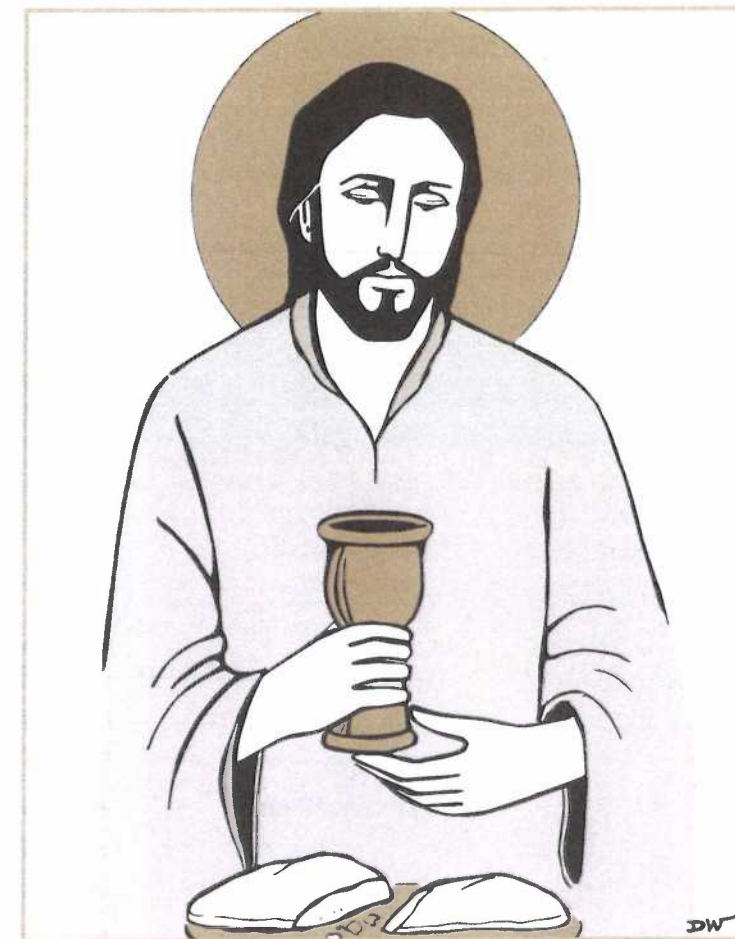
■ The word of the Lord.

RESP PSALM

Ps 147:12-15, 19-20. R. v. 12

R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem. (or Alleluia!)

1. O praise the Lord, Jerusalem! / Zion, praise your God! / He has strengthened the bars of your gates, / he has blessed the children within you. **R.**
2. He established peace on your borders, / he feeds you with finest wheat. / He sends out his word to the earth / and swiftly runs his command. **R.**
3. He makes his word known to Jacob, / to Israel his laws and decrees. / He has not dealt thus with other nations; / he has not taught them his decrees. **R.**



SECOND READING

1 Cor 10:16-17

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Though we are many, we form a single body because we share this one loaf.

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia! / I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; / whoever eats this bread will live for ever. / Alleluia!