



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
Assistant Priest	Fr Matt Restall
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	Rachel McGennissen

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
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.

Feast of All Souls 1/2 November 2025

All Saints Day

This feast began in the East to commemorate all martyrs and was progressively adopted in the West. Honoured today are all holy men and women in glory with Christ: known or unknown, mighty or lowly, all whose lives were modelled on the Beatitudes and on the great commandment of love.

All Souls Day

This day of commemoration began early in the Middle Ages with annual prayers for the dead in monastic communities. It now ranks with the principal feast days in the liturgical calendar.



Commonly known as All Souls, it expresses our need to pray for one another in the Church, especially those souls 'who have been buried in their human imperfection'. All Souls' Day reminds us that death doesn't break the bonds of love.

Thank You to Our Wonderful Volunteers

A heartfelt thank you to all who attended our recent Volunteer Recognition afternoon tea. It was a truly great community day for our parish filled with friendship, laughter and gratitude.

Our sincere thanks also go to everyone who helped make the day such a success - from the catering team who provided a wonderful spread, to the entertainers who added joy to the occasion and to the organising committee for their thoughtful planning and hard work behind the scenes.

Together, we celebrated the strength and spirit of our parish community. Your commitment, generosity and quiet leadership continue to inspire us all.

Thank you for all you do to make our parish such a welcoming and vibrant place.

Welcome

We warmly welcome Fr Gary Jones who is supplying for Fr John this weekend.

We welcome Fr Matt is back from his holiday. We trust you had an enjoyable time and you've returned refreshed.

OLHC 50th Anniversary

Next Saturday (November 8) we celebrate with Our Lady Help of Christian's community on their 50th Anniversary.

- 2:00pm - 4:00pm Afternoon Tea
- 6:00pm Mass with supper to follow (please bring a 'plate' to share after Mass)



NB. Choir Practice Sunday 2 Nov at 4:00pm

All Souls remembrance liturgy Friday 7 November at 7:00pm in St Pius X Church. All welcome to bring a memento or photo in remembrance of their loved ones.

Bible Study: Tuesday evening at St Joseph's at 7:00pm

Rosary: Month of November at OLHC on Mondays 7:00pm

St Pius X: No Prayer Meeting this Tuesday.

OLHC: Columban Calendars \$9 and Christmas Cards \$3 (pk of 8) are available to purchase at the Church. Honesty system.

Holy Hour every Monday at 10:00am

St Patrick's: 'Cuppa' after Mass today

Piety Shop - Orders for Nativity Sets are being taken now and Columban Calendars are available in Nov. Marita 0402 431 053

Infant Jesus: 'Mothers who Pray for their Children' meet Friday at 10:45am. Contact South West Co-ordinator Marita 0402 431 053

Seaside Community Kitchen - Take away & sit down hot meal to those in need from St Joseph's Hall on Mondays from 5:30pm to 6:30pm.

Volunteering in the Vinnies Shop

If you are interested in Volunteering in the Vinnies Shop please scan the QR code.

We have availability Mondays through to Sundays.



Campion College SUMMER PROGRAM

Summer Program (Jan 12-16) is a four day deep-dive into university life – engaging lectures, great company and a mix of learning and fun. Stay on campus, meet future friends, and get a feel for life as a liberal arts student at Campion College, Toongabbie. For Year 11 & 12 students. Local and interstate students welcome. Free to attend thanks to our generous donors. Spaces are limited. Learn more and register: www.campion.edu.au/summer-program.

Apostolic Exhortation 'Dilexi Te'

Pope Leo XIV has released his first Apostolic Exhortation, "*Dilexi Te*" on love for the poor. View at the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Recent Deaths: Sr Carole Carmody RSM

Anniversaries: Carmel and Jim Madden, Michael O'Keefe, Colin McKenna, William and Elizabeth Lawlor, Rosalyn Earl, Leila Morrissey, Barney Clarke, Margaret & Roland Berger, Matthew McNeil, Kevin Walsh, Dinnie O'Donnell, Mack Lancaster, Patrick O'Callaghan

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION	
Tues	5:10pm St Pius X
Sat	9:40am St Pius X

WEEKDAY MASSES	
Tues	5:30pm St Pius X
Wed	10:00am St Joseph's
Thur	10:00am OLHC
Fri	10:00am St Joseph's
Sat	10:00am St Pius X
NB: A funeral replaces the Mass of the Day	

Pope's Intention for November

For the prevention of suicide.

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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 11 November

To book please call the Office on 5562 2231