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| PARISH PERSONNEL |                                                      |
|------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Parish Priest    | Fr John Fitzgerald                                   |
| Assistant Priest | Fr Matt Restall                                      |
| Business Manager | Bruce Keeley                                         |
| Accounts Manager | Louise Dryburgh                                      |
| Maintenance      | James Cronin                                         |
| Admin Team       | Karen Johnson<br>Virginia Martin<br>Trisha McGinness |

| 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.

## The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica 8/9 November 2025

**A Word from Father John**

This weekend we welcome **Bishop Paul** to our Parish. He is the Principal Celebrant at Our Lady Help of Christians' 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass. We also welcome back a number of former parishioners for this special occasion. Thanks to the many parishioners who have made this event a reality.

This Sunday we have **the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**. It is the oldest and most important basilica in Rome, serving as the official cathedral of the Bishop of Rome, the Pope. It is not only the mother church of the archdiocese of Rome, but also the mother church of the entire world.

We welcome back **Fr Matt** from his well-deserved break. There is a visiting priest from Sri Lanka, **Fr Bennette**, who is here for a few weeks with his sister in Warrnambool. He will be saying a few weekday Masses during his time here.

Next Sunday at St Joseph's there is a **Mass of Remembrance** (10:30am). The names of people who have died during the past twelve months will be read out and prayed for.

With Nick Murrell's appointment as Principal of St Joseph's Catholic school means there is now a **vacancy** of Principalship at St Pius X's school. Interviews will be held shortly.

**St Joseph's Book of Remembrance**

The Book will be available in the Church throughout the month of November to record the names of deceased family members and friends you wish to remember.

**Armistice Day**

11<sup>th</sup> November, also known as Remembrance Day, is commemorated every year to mark the armistice signed between the Allies of World War 1 and Germany at Compiegne (France).

*Father of Peace,  
We pray for those who have served  
to protect our great Southern Land;  
We commend to your mercy those who  
died for our freedom;  
We pray for the safety of those who are  
currently serving in the defence forces;  
We pray for peace throughout the world.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

*Amen*



## OLHC 50th Anniversary

We celebrate with Our Lady Help of Christians' community on their 50th Anniversary this weekend.

**Rosary:**  
Month of November at OLHC. Mondays 7:00pm.

**St Joseph's:** Bible Study - Tuesday evening at St Joseph's at 7:00pm.  
Next Sunday: Refreshments following Mass of Remembrance. All welcome.



**St Pius X:** Prayer Meeting this Tuesday 1:15pm-3:00pm  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November - Mass for deceased members of SVDP. All welcome.  
Everyone is invited to join in for a cuppa after Mass next Sunday.

**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:**  
Piety Shop - Columban calendars are now available for purchase. Orders for Nativity Sets are now being taken.  
Please contact 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  
PLT Meeting 7pm Wednesday November 12.

**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.

**From the Business Manager**

*Please drive safely in our carparks*

We kindly remind all parishioners to enter and exit all church carparks using the correct entry/exit points which are signed. Observing these traffic-flow signs helps keep everyone safe and ensures a safe arrival and departure for all attending services and events.

**Volunteering in the Vinnies Shop**

If you are interested in Volunteering, please scan the QR code. We have availability Mondays through to Sundays.



**Bulletins**

If you receive bulletins via email please note that from the start of 2026 bulletins will be emailed via our new website. This enables more security for your email account, reduces spam and enables you to unsubscribe if you wish.

Scan the QR code or go to the new website to register your email.  
<https://www.catholicparish.app/southwestcoast>



Printed bulletins will be available at each of the Churches as usual.

**Baptisms**

This weekend Elsie McElgunn & Abel O'Shannessy will be welcomed into our faith community.

**Recent Deaths:** Peter Tieppo, Phyllis Lowther  
**Anniversaries:** Michael Dawson, Gerald Healey

| WEEKEND MASSES                                  |                             |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Saturday Vigil</b>                           |                             |
| 6:00pm                                          | OLHC, Warrnambool East      |
| <b>Sunday Morning</b>                           |                             |
| 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             |                             |

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

| WEEKDAY MASSES                             |                                                                |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon                                        | 10:30am St Joseph's<br><i>Peter Tieppo RIP</i><br>Requiem Mass |
| Tues                                       | 10:00am St Pius X<br><i>(deceased members of SVDP)</i>         |
| Wed                                        | 10:00am St Joseph's                                            |
| Thur                                       | 10:00am OLHC<br>1:00pm St Patrick's<br><i>(School Mass)</i>    |
| 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

