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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.

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> August 2025

Feast: Mary Mackillop  
'St Mary of The Cross'

This Friday 8 August we celebrate the feast of Mary Mackillop. She was a trail-blazer in her lifetime and paved the way for the education of poor children and those in remote areas. As well as that, she established a variety of ministries which addressed the needs of 19th century Australia. Mary inspires us to be courageous and hopeful and to have a deep faith in our God who provides. She has shown us how to forgive and how to be compassionate.

Feast Days around this Time

- 31 July: **St Ignatius of Loyola** (Jesuits)  
1 August: **St Alphonsus Liguori** (Redemptorists)  
4 August: **St John Vianney** (Diocesan)  
8 August: **St Mary of the Cross** (Josephites)

The Transfiguration of the Lord  
(Wednesday 6 August)

The Transfiguration:  
**Affirms Jesus' Divinity:** This event highlights the divine nature of Jesus, confirming Him as the Son of God.

**Foreshadows the Resurrection:** The Transfiguration prefigures the glory of the Resurrection, offering hope and assurance of Christ's victory over death.

**Encourages Faith:** Witnessing Jesus' transfiguration strengthens the faith of the disciples, and by extension, our own faith as believers.

Our Diocesan Community

The newest edition of ODC is now available in the churches to take home and read.



**Recent Deaths:** Pam Dowd, Elizabeth Quinlan, Anne Clapham  
**Anniversaries:** Vincent Griffin, Alex Smith

**Reminder**  
Abide starts this Tuesday.  
Stay for what you can... Leave when you must!

Tuesdays of August & September  
**ABIDE**  
5:30pm Mass  
6:00pm Adoration  
6:30pm Soup (Free & No RSVP)  
7:00pm The Creed Video Series  
**St Pius X Church**  
**West Warrnambool**

**OLHC:** Holy Hour every Monday at 10:00am  
**Infant Jesus:** 'Mothers who Pray for their Children' meet Fridays at 10:45am. Contact Co-Ordinator Marita 0402 431 053  
**St Patrick's:** 'Cuppa' today after Mass  
**St Joseph's:** 'Cuppa' after Mass next weekend  
Bible Study this Wednesday at 7:00pm. Geoff 0402 074 645

**Rosary:** Month of August at OLHC Monday 7:00pm  
**OLHC PLT Meeting** Wednesday 6 August at 7:00pm  
**Infant Jesus PLT Meeting** Wednesday 13 August at 7:00pm

**Baptisms:** This weekend we welcome Margot Main, Louie Gyde and Savannah DeMartin into our faith community.

First Eucharist Masses

**Our Lady Help of Christians:** Saturday 23 & 30 August at 6:00pm  
**St Pius X:** (St John's, Koroit & St Pius) Sunday 24 August at 9:00am  
**St Patrick's Port Fairy:** Sunday 31 August at 10:30am  
**St Joseph's:** Sunday 31 August at 10:30am & 6:00pm

Diocese of Ballarat Catholic Education Ltd

Fr John, as a Director of the DOBCEL board, will be in Horsham this Tuesday and Wednesday for their regular meeting.

Warrnambool Organ Festival

Information and tickets Warrnambool Organ Festival on Facebook  
Friday August 8 - Jazz Night **Mozart Hall**  
Saturday August 9 - Gala Concert **St Joseph's**  
Sunday August 10 Organ Recital - Anthony Halliday **St Joseph's**

Advance Notice

The Parish Pastoral Council would like to have parishioners input regarding the Vision Statement of Star of the Sea Parish. More information will be shared next weekend about the question 'What do you want our parish to be for you and the community?' We ask that you please consider and respond on the 16/17 August.

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

Tues	5:30pm St Pius X
Wed	10:00am St Joseph's
Thurs	10:00am OLHC 11:00am Mercy Place
Fri	10:00am St Joseph's Lay-led Assembly
Sat	-

**Pope's Intention for August**  
For mutual coexistence. Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

**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 12<sup>th</sup> August  
To book please call 5562 2231

