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Olga Lyons Matthew O'Brien

St Pius X W'bool West

Nick Murrell

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### WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH

**SCHOOL PRINCIPALS** 

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 St Patrick's, Port Fairy St Joseph's, W'bool St Pius X, W'bool West

Leisa McCosh **Peter Sanderson** Jill Haberfield 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.

# 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 11/12 October 2025

### Fr John writes....

Dear Parishioners, in the past couple of years, church life has changed immensely for all of us. No longer do we have the luxury of our individual parishes.

Thank you for being adaptable to changes that have taken place in recent times e.g. change of Mass times, less Masses, less priests and now being part of a much larger parish.

This week DOBCEL (Diocese of Ballarat Catholic Education Limited) meet in Port Fairy. DOBCEL is the governing body of all the Catholic Primary Schools plus a number of Secondary Schools. It is a most important gathering where policies and decisions are made. Only recently we made the decision to close Our Lady's Primary School in Murtoa as they were down to only six students.

We will have a visiting priest for the next few weeks while Fr Matt is away:

- 11/12 October Fr Lawrie O'Toole
- 18/19 October Fr Ed Molonev
- 25/26 October Fr Robert McCulloch
- 1/2 November Fr Gary Jones

On Sunday 26 October, we have the special afternoon for volunteers (3:00pm - 4:30pm) in the Gathering Space at St Joseph's. Thanks to Bruce Keeley, our Parish Business Manager, for taking this initiative.

I draw your attention to the 50th Anniversary of the Opening of Our Lady Help of Christians Parish. The Parish commenced in 1975. It would be lovely if some representatives from the various communities attended this occasion.

Sat 8 November at 2:00pm - 4:00pm Afternoon Tea and Mass at 6:00pm. The principle celebrant will be Bishop Paul Bird, CSsR.

On Tuesday, October 28 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat we are acknowledging and celebrating our clergy Jubilarians:

- Fr Pat Flanagan 65 years
- Bishop Paul Bird 50 years
- Fr Eugene McKinnon 50 years
- Fr Wally Tudor 50 years

All welcome to attend.

### **YCW Re-union**

In recognition of 100 years since Cardinal Joseph Cardijn began the Young Christian Workers movement, Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 19 October at St Columba's Church, 802 Lydiard St Nth, Ballarat at 11.30am. Lunch at 1:00pm Golf House Hotel, Ballarat. Contact Colin 0417 681 095 or Denise 0417 502 246.



### **Phones**

Kindly turn off phones or put them on silent while at Mass. Thanks

### Lectors

Sometime ago we were advised by our Diocesan Liturgical Commission to end the scripture reading with simply the words 'The Word of the Lord'. Thanks

Baptisms: This weekend we welcome Navy Mae Sheen into our faith community

Wedding: Congratulations to Damien Bryan and Taryn Blackmore on their wedding in Port Fairy this weekend.

St Pius X: 'Cuppa' after Mass next Sunday. Prayer Meeting every Tues: 1:15pm-3:00pm.

St Joseph's: 'Cuppa" after Mass today.

**OLHC:** Holy Hour every Monday at 10:00am

St Patrick's: Piety Shop has beautiful gifts of all sorts for your spiritual needs. Contact 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

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

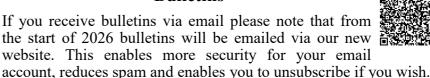
Parish Finance Council meet this Wednesday at 12noon

Rosary: Month of October at St Pius X on Mondays 7:00pm

### **Water East Timor**

Water East Timor Committee is holding a fundraiser, 'Festa Timor' on 8 November from 5:30pm to 7:30pm with a concert and launch of our website, to raise money, to provide clean water and sanitation to remote villages in East Timor. Uniting Church Hall, Koroit St. \$35 - https://events.humanitix.com/festa-timor

### **Bulletins**



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.

Recent Deaths: June Garner

Anniversaries: Frank Lamb, Ted Gleeson, Clare Gleeson, James Hall, Jim Kelly, Des McNamara, Neil McGillivary, Yu Siu Keng, Mick Wilkinson, Helen Evenden, Kate Girdlestone, Margaret Stainsby, Laddie Hilliard, Mary Lawlor

### **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

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILLIATION

Reconciliation by Appointment during October







### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

10:00am St Pius X Lay-led Assembly with Communion

Wed 10:00am St Joseph's Lay-led Assembly with Communion

Thur 10:00am OLHC

9:30am St Joseph's Fri

Valedictory Mass for Yr 12's from Emmanual College. Parishioners welcome

## **Pope's Intention for October** For collaboration between different religious traditions.

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.



# **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 14 October