



Our Lady Star of the Sea Apollo Bay
 Our Lady of Fatima Lorne
 St Mary's Colac
 St Peter's Birregurra
 St Joseph's Cressy



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Colac and Apollo Bay Parishes are a community of believers, who strive to bring Christ's good news to all people in the district. Through service, caring and love we aim to create an environment of respect and understanding in which everyone can grow. We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years.

Third Sunday of Easter – 23rd April 2022 – Year A



Responsorial Psalm

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us,
 make our hearts burn with love when you speak.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

This Week's Readings

3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14,22-23. Peter 1:17-21. Luke 24:13-35.

Next Week's Readings

4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14,36-41. Peter 2:20-25. John 10:1-10

***Reminder to return your Project Compassion boxes.**

Deaths: Dorothy O'Dowd, Leon Garner (Banora Point), Fr Brian Johnstone C.S.s.R., Fr Bob Maguire, Jacob Porter.

Anniversaries: Kevin Kerr, Camille Condon, Desmond Mahoney, Eileen Bateman, Mary Heath, John Avery, Shirley McGrath, Peter Mulder, Lorna Carrol, John McMullin, Leo Hammett, John Satatas, Sr Bernadette Culhane, Joan Rylance, Mick McMeel.

MASS TIMES - COLAC, CRESSY, BIRREGURRA.		
Tuesday	9.00am	St Mary's- Colac
Wednesday	10.00am	St Mary's- Colac
Thursday	10.00am	St Mary's- Colac
Friday	10.00am	St Mary's- Colac
Saturday	6.00pm	St Mary's- Colac
Sunday	9.00am 11.00am	St Mary's- Colac St Mary's- Colac



Fr John Pothiyittel – Celebration of 45 years of Ordination
 Last Sunday at St Mary's Church with the Indian Community.

MASS TIMES	
OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA – APOLLO BAY	
Tuesday	5.30pm (Fr Michael)
Sunday	11.00am
No weekday Masses Apollo Bay - Next 2 weeks	
OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE	
Sunday	9.00am

We welcome to St Mary's Parish this week through the Sacrament of Baptism: Autumn Gregory & Charley Broad.

SYMPATHY: * To Adrian Garner on the death of his brother Leon.

* To O'Dowd Family on their mother and grandmother Dorothy.

Next Sunday: Good Shepherd Sunday (4th Sunday of Easter)

Vocation Sunday: We have been asked to host new Seminarian at our Masses: Lam Peter Tran.

Congratulations Mary Hall
Celebrating her 90th Birthday last week!



ANZAC DAY: 2023 welcome as recommended by Anzac House

6am – Dawn Service : Memorial Service

9am – Mass: St Mary's

11am – Church Service: St Mary's Colac.

5.30pm Mass: Our Lady Star of the Sea Apollo Bay – Fr Michael O'Toole

Fr Frank Brennan SJ: How to vote on the Voice:

By Fr Frank Brennan March 17, 2023

What are Catholics to think about the proposed referendum on the Voice to Parliament? During the first year of his pontificate, Pope Francis in his Apostolic Exhortation Evangelii Gaudium said: "An authentic faith – which is never comfortable or completely personal – always involves a deep desire to change the world, to transmit values, to leave this earth somehow better than we found it. Pope Francis added: "All Christians, their pastors included, are called to show concern for the building of a better world. This is essential, for the Church's social thought is primarily positive: it offers proposals, it works for change and in this sense, it constantly points to the hope born of the loving heart of Jesus Christ." I suggest ten steps for Catholics inspired by our Catholic social teaching when approaching the forthcoming referendum. We are all invited into constructive dialogue: Be respectful and attentive to those who disagree with you, but don't be afraid to demand that they be respectful and attentive to you. (More Info to come...).

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: "You are my God." O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, not let your beloved know decay.

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right-hand happiness for ever.

Lord, you will show us the path of life.



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE
OF MELBOURNE

19 April 2023

Dear Friends,

Reverend Father Robert (Bob) John Thomas Maguire PE AM RFD died today (Wednesday, 19 April 2023) at Cabrini Hospital, Malvern after several months of ill health. He was aged 88 years.

Father Bob served the Church in a very positive and pastorally enriching manner, giving fine example to both his brother priests and the community for over 62 years. The Archdiocese is most grateful for his untiring service to the Church of Melbourne especially through his prophetic presence and love for the poor. After his ordination at St Patrick's Cathedral on 24 July 1960, Fr Bob was appointed temporarily as Assistant Priest at Belgrave Parish and then Heidelberg Parish in 1961. In 1962, he was appointed as Assistant Priest in Ashburton Parish and then as Assistant Priest for a period at Braybrook Parish in 1966. Later in 1966 he served as Assistant Priest in Kew East Parish for three years and was then appointed as Assistant Priest for Ivanhoe Parish in 1969. In 1970 Fr Bob was appointed the Assistant Priest for Seymour Parish and then went on to serve for three years as Chaplain for the Catholic Military Vicariate of Australia. In 1973 Fr Bob was appointed as Parish Priest of St Peter & Paul's Parish, South Melbourne until his retirement in 2012 whereupon he was appointed Pastor Emeritus.

He was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in 1989 for service to homeless youth. In

2011, Fr Bob was named Victorian of the Year. In 2001 he was awarded the Centenary Medal for long service to the congregation of Sts Peter and Paul's Church and the local community.

Fr Bob launched the Father Bob Maguire Foundation in 2003 to provide food relief, social inclusion and educational support services "so that no one is left behind". Fr Bob was a man who was held in deep admiration for the many gifts he so generously shared throughout his long and dedicated service to God's people, especially the dispossessed, the homeless, street kids and those battling on the margins.

We thank that staff at Justin Villa and the Priests' Retirement Foundation for the care they took of Fr Bob in recent times.

May he rest in the gentle peace of Christ.

Father Joe Caddy AM ~ VICAR GENERAL

(PS With appreciation: Many phone calls, text messages: M.O'T).



APOLLO BAY & LORNE

FIRST COLLECTION:

BSB: 083585 ACCOUNT: 810967715

APOLLO BAY & LORNE

SECOND COLLECTION

BSB: 033600 ACCOUNT: 230038

NOTES ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION

I have consulted. I have also received advice. These consultations have highlighted the fact that Covid infections are still a serious concern. I have concluded that it is not yet time to reintroduce the sharing of the chalice. So, even when we simply receive the host, we are receiving the whole Christ. In regard to the way of receiving the host, recognising the continuing risks of the pandemic, and out of consideration for the health of all parishioners, I recommend reverent reception of the host in the hand rather than reception on the tongue. God bless you all.

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR

PS : Local addition: Suggestion – Those desiring still to receive 'on the tongue'- come last to Communion & to the Priest.

COLAC Parkinson's Support Group

A support group for people with Parkinson's Disease and their loved ones, hosted by Anam Cara Colac. meet on the last Friday of each month at 2pm -4pm. For more info: Naomi 52338203

Colac Bereavement Support Group – Anam Cara

A peer-led support group for people who have lost a partner, family member, companion or friend, who are seeking social support with others who have experienced the loss of a loved one. For more info: Naomi 52338203

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