

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.

Sixth Sunday of Easter - 14th May 2023 - Year A

Responsorial Psalm

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

This Week's Readings

6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 8:5-8.14-17. Peter 3:15-18. John 14:15-21.

Next Week's Readings
The Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11. Ephesians 1:17-23. Matthew 28:16-20

<u>Deaths:</u> Barbara Dickinson (Timboon), Aileen Finn (Cobram), Margaret Redmon (Romsey), Ralph Durr (Brother to Paul Durr), Joan Hill.

<u>Anniversaries:</u> Eileen Morrissy, Br Tuck, Colin Boyd, Deceased Mothers & Grandmother, Billy Boylan, Tyson Hodge, Chris Malady,

MASS TIMES - COLAC, CRESSY, BIRREGURRA.		
Tuesday	5.00pm	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

RECONCILIATION: Each Friday after 10am Mass.
Anytime by Appointment.

St Mary's: Holy Hour- Every 1st Tues of Month: 4-5pm Rosary - each Friday: 9.30am St Mary's Church

MASS TIMES			
OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA – APOLLO BAY			
Tuesday	5.30pm		
Wednesday & Thursday	10.00am		
Sunday	11.00am		
OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE			
Sunday	9.00am		

Special Circumstances: Great Ocean Road Race: Lorne & Apollo Bay: Great Ocean Road Closed.

<u>Therefore: Lorne:</u> Vigil Mass Sat. 20th May 5pm followed by Pizza Tea: to Celebrate: Feast of Our Lady of Fatima.

Therefore: Apollo Bay – Mass Sun 21st May 5pm (Counter Tea to follow).

*Please Spread 'Word' – about Change of Mass Times!

CATHOLIC CARE VICTORIA FAMILY & RELATIONSHIP COUNSELLING

Contact Wendy 55593006
Colac appointments

SYMPATHY: * Mary (Warwick) Eaton on the death of Mary's sister: Margaret – this week.

*Paul & Judy Durr on the death of Paul's brother Ralph.

CRAWFORD FAMILY GROUP: Lunch on Thursday 18th May at Future Café. Please contact Therese. 0428314854
GLEESON FAMILY GROUP: Lunch at the Beeac Hotel on 21st
May at 12.30pm. Please meet in the car park after 11 am
Mass for car pooling. Please RSVP by Wed 17th May to Mary 52316848.

Family Week May 15 – 21 2023 is a perfect time to come together to celebrate the power of family relationships in all their diversities, and the importance they play in our lives and community. CatholicCare Victoria's theme for Family Week this year is "Circle of Inclusion."

A Blessing for Families.

Heavenly Father, please bless our families with Your everlasting love. Give our families strength to overcome hardship and difficulties. Give our families courage to admit our faults and forgive others. Give our families joy to live life to the full and spread our joy to others. May all families find comfort, support and guidance under Your loving care. **Amen**.

Pope Francis - May Intention for Parishes For church movements and groups — We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own

charisms at the service of needs in the world.

BISHOP PAUL BIRD - PRAYER OF INTERCESSION:

Let us pray for King Charles as he is anointed for his mission of service. May he serve with wisdom and courage. Loving God, hear us.

Response: Loving God, hear our prayer.

RESPONSIORIAL PSALM

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,

O sing to the glory of his name.

O render him glorious praise.

Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds'!

'Before you all the earth shall bow;

shall sing to you, sing to your name!'

Come and see the works of God,

tremendous his deeds among men.

He turned the sea into dry land,

they passed through the river dry-shod.

Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might.

Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what he did for my soul:

Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love for me.

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

National Volunteer Week (NVW) is Australia's largest annual celebration of volunteers. This week is a chance for all of us to celebrate and recognise the vital work of volunteers and to say thank you and this includes people in our diocese, parishes and agencies.

Prayer for Volunteers. We pray for all those who volunteer in our parishes. May we value the many talents and gifts that God has given to these people. We thank them for generously offering their time to parish ministries. For all these gifts, given out of your love, we thank you, God of all goodness. Amen

APOLLO BAY & LORNE FIRST COLLECTION:

BSB: 083585 ACCOUNT: 810967715

APOLLO BAY & LORNE SECOND COLLECTION

BSB: 033600 ACCOUNT: 230038

PALLIATIVE CARE WEEK

GET TO KNOW OUR NEW PRESIDENT

ANAM CARA – COLAC

AS PART OF PALLIATIVE CARE
WEEK CELEBRATIONS, WE
INVITE YOU TO MEET OUR NEW
PRESIDENT, MARYJANE
CRABTREE. GET TO KNOW
MARYJANE AT OUR Q & A
23RD MAY 2023
AT ANAM CARA COLAC.
50 FORANS RD
BARONGAROOK WEST.

** Tours available 1pm or After the Session.

AFTERNOON TEA TO FOLLOW.

RSVP 20TH MAY Ph: 52338203

Pope tells young Hungarians to aim high in life

Pope Francis meets with young people in Budapest and encourages them to "aim high in life", reminding them that no one can take their place in the history of the Church and the world. "Invest in the great goals of life! Then, train through dialogue with Jesus, who is the best of coaches". Pope Francis encouraged youths to "aim high" in their lives, overcoming their fears and stepping forward, always dialoguing with Jesus, their best friend and brother. Pope Francis reminded those gathered that "Jesus wants us to accomplish great things" in life and "never disparages our expectations". "Jesus doesn't want us to be lazy "couch potatoes"; he doesn't want us to be quiet and timid; instead, he wants us to be alive, active, ready to take charge. Jesus would agree with a proverb of yours, which I hope I pronounce well: Aki mer az nyer [Those who dare, win the prize]." But how do we win in life?", the Pope asked. "Just as in sports, there are two basic steps". The first step, he said, is "to aim high", putting our talents "to good use", investing them "in the great goals of life". "We don't achieve greatness by treading upon others, but by serving others!" The second step is to train through dialogue with Jesus, "who is the best of coaches". Indeed, said the Pope, "Jesus encourages you, believes in you" and "constantly invites you to be a team player, never alone but with others: in the Church, in the community, sharing your experiences with others".

I'll Come to You When You Call

By Jessica Urlichs

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I sleep on the surface now And I'll come to you when you call My tired eyes adjust to the dark You're a baby after all. And even when you're not I'll come to you when you cry When you're standing, calling from your cot There will be no question why And when you're in a bigger bed And calling down the hall *If monsters find you in your dreams* I'll come to you when you call And when you're staying at your friends If you suddenly feel alone. And when you have a family Through all the highs and lows. I'll come to you when you call. Please just pick up the phone. But for now, I'll hold you in the night You're still so very small I hope you know; I'll always show.

Because I come to you when you call.