



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.

15th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 16th July 2023 – Year A

Responsorial Psalm

The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;
 All who come to him will live forever.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

This Week's Readings

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:10-11. Romans 8:18-23. Matthew 13:1-23.

Next Week's Readings

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 12:13,16-19. Rns 8:26-27. Matt 13:24-43..

Project Compassion Thank You for your Support

Deaths: Marie Scott, Lawrie Sharp, Rita Scott (Bacchus Marsh), Jean Wardle, Margaret Berry,
Anniversaries: Chris Murray, Mary-Anne Carew, Michael Jordan, Valerie Keating, Bill Carew, Joan Parker, Kevin Michael Scanlan, Br Jason Duck, Kathleen McKay, Mary O'Brien (A'Bay), Marie Britt, Denis Adams.

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 /SEA – APOLLO BAY

**No weekday Masses in Apollo Bay
 While Fr John is in India.**

OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE

Sunday 9.00am

FEAST DAYS: July 20th: St Apollinaris

July 22nd: St Mary Magdalene

July 25th: St James, Apostle

Welcome to this Weekend: Celebrating Sunday Morning Masses Colac Fr Peter Hudson with Fr John in India.

GLEESON FAMILY GROUP, casserole night at Gathering Space, Thursday, July 20 at 6.30pm. BYO casserole or sweet to share. Robert 52312126

CROFT FAMILY GROUP: Christmas in July lunch at Peter and Donna's 40 Lineen's Rd, Coragulac. Sunday July 23, 12.30 pm. Please bring a casserole to share with dessert supplied. RSVP 0448314774. All Parishioners welcome.

**Congratulations this week's Baptism
 "Noah Turzai."**



L-R : Louis, Stella, Zoe, Fr Michael, Sam, Kate, Freddie, Flynn

REFLECTION: PILGRIM TO MEDJUGORJE

BY PATRICK HARRISON

– AFTER HIS VISIT: APRIL 2023:

FRIDAY 28th JULY AFTER 10AM MASS.

CUPPA TO FOLLOW:

ALL WELCOME ST MARY'S GATHERING SPACE.

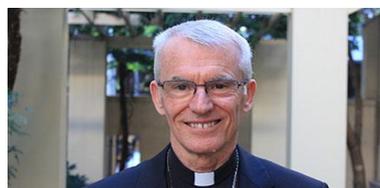
Congratulations to Frederick Lidgerwood, Flynn Leeson, Stella Fitzpatrick Catherine McDonald, Sam Gannon, Zoe Toull & Louis Toull celebrating their Confirmation & 1st Communion. Last Sunday in the Birregurra Community Health

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*The seed that falls on good ground
will yield a fruitful harvest*

You care for the earth, give it water, you fill it with riches.
Your river in heaven brims over to provide its grain
And thus, you provide for the earth; you drench its furrows,
you level it, soften it with showers, you bless its growth.
You crown the year with your goodness.
Abundance flows in your steps,
in the pastures of the wilderness, it flows.
The hills are girded with joy,
the meadows covered with flocks,
the valleys are decked with wheat.
They shout for joy, yes, they sing.

*The seed that falls on good ground
will yield a fruitful harvest*



Pope picks Archbishop Costelloe for key Synod of Bishops role.

Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB says he was honoured to be chosen by Pope Francis as one of nine president-delegates for the sessions of the upcoming Synod on Synodality, calling it a “great privilege”. Archbishop Costelloe, who is president of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference and has served on the Synod of Bishops’ preparatory commission, was one of hundreds of people confirmed on July 7 as participants in the Synod sessions in October this year and October next year.

He was appointed one of the Synod’s president-delegates, who take turns presiding over Synod sessions on behalf of the Pope. They are responsible for guiding the work of the Synod and assigning special tasks to certain members, when necessary, so that the assembly proceeds efficiently.

“It is a great privilege to be able to contribute to this process of renewal, under the guiding presence of the Holy Spirit,” Archbishop Costelloe said. “As with the broader membership of the Synod, those invited to assist Pope Francis with presiding represent the global Church and a Church that is welcoming a diverse group of people into positions of influence.” Archbishop Costelloe said the Synod of Synodality “offers the Church a precious opportunity to re-discover an essential dimension of its identity which has become somewhat obscured over the centuries”. “Inspired by Pope Francis’ vision of a ‘missionary option’, the Synod invites us all, as baptised members of the Church, to recognise our common call to form, together, a community of disciples who proclaim the mighty works of God (1 Peter 2:9) by what we say and by what we do: to become, together, signs and bearers of God’s love for all people.”

APOLLO BAY & LORNE

FIRST COLLECTION:

BSB: 083585 ACCOUNT: 810967715

APOLLO BAY & LORNE

SECOND COLLECTION

BSB: 033600 ACCOUNT: 230038

Parish Account Colac

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Office 5231 2177.

Ballarat Diocesan

Levies Paid this Month:

(Quarter: April May, June)

St Mary’s Parish Account

Diocesan Administration: \$
\$7,292.00

Popes Collection: \$ 745.00 &

Holy lands: \$537.00 Total:
\$8,574

**St Mary’s & Apollo Bay
Presbytery Account \$
8,943.00**

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CTC Teaching Meditation and Prayer

It is running
the online unit Teaching
Meditation and Prayer
over 2 Sat, in June and 2
Sat, in Oct. More Info:

[https://ctc.edu.au/study/timetable/
/gctm-timetable/](https://ctc.edu.au/study/timetable/gctm-timetable/)

Anam Cara Colac

Community Appeal:

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Alternatively, you can contact
the office to donate via credit
card, or post your cheque to
PO Box 508, Colac 3250

Pope Francis ~ July Intention for Parishes For a Eucharistic life: We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY ~ Annual Winter Appeal 2023

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