



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.

Pentecost Sunday – 28th May 2023 – Year A

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, send out your Spirit and
 renew the face of the earth.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
 and kindle in them the fire of your love.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!



This Week's Readings

Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11. Corinthians 12:3-7.12-13. John 20:19-23.

Next Week's Readings

Trinity Sunday

Exodus 34:4-6.8-9. Corinthians 13:11-13. John 3:16-18.



Deaths: Margaret Carlin(Terang), Frank Slater, Nancy Farquhar,

Anniversaries: George Harrison, Catherine Carey, Damian Ryan, John Joseph Carew, Michael Burke, Anthony Carew, Kathleen O'Sullivan, Colin Lamb, Mary Lloyd, Joe Lavery, Steven Bright, Teresa Carty, Goulburn Walker, Colleen Sheehan

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 1 st 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	
Friday	10.00am	
Sunday	11.00am	
OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE		
Sunday	9.00am	

FEAST DAY The Vistation of Blessed Virgin Mary- Wed 31st May.

SYMPATHY:

- * To Mary Maxwell on the death of her sister Margaret.
- *To Slater family on the death of their father Frank.

RAFFLE: World Youth Day: Please Support the Meredith Parish fundraising efforts to support Fr Joseph and 3 parishioners heading to WYD Lisbon later this year. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. See Liam Butterworth for further information – In the "Gathering Space."

Pentecost Sunday: St John's Anglican Community invite Friends/Sister and Brothers: St Mary's Colac to join them for Dinner (this Sunday): Ss John's Hall- 12.30pm. All Welcome.

Apollo Bay – No Mass (Wed & Thursday this Week) Fr John attending in Melbourne an Ordination of a New Bishop)to the Australian Syro- Malabar Community. The New Bishop is Fr John Panamttottath C.M. I. (From Brisbane Syro Malabar Eparoh (Bishop).



BE A VOICE FOR GENERATIONS

*Today let us pray for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples who have contributed over time to our collective Australian Identity. Across every generation, our Elders have played, and continue to play, an important role and hold a prominent place in our communities and families. As a Catholic community, we recognise that by raising awareness and knowledge of reconciliation, all peoples can **Be a Voice for Generations**. Through deep listening, connection with Country, sharing stories and having the courage to speak out for equity, fairness, and justice, we pray for a nation that celebrates our cultural identity, with dignity, and pride. **May all Australians:** *Come together and continue to build our shared Australian Identity. *Unite and stand together as a community in peace and harmony for reconciliation. *Have the strength to stand up against racism, living out the Gospel command to love one another as Jesus showed us. *Commit to a voice of truth telling, creating spaces in our communities for truth-telling and deep listening, leading to action for justice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. * Strive to develop genuine, lasting relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. Let us pray today that Reconciliation will live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by just and respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. Amen*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the LORD, O my soul!
O LORD, my God, you are great indeed!
How manifold are your works, O LORD!
the earth is full of your creatures.
May the glory of the LORD endure forever;
may the LORD be glad in his works!
Pleasing to him be my theme;
I will be glad in the LORD.
If you take away their breath, they perish
and return to their dust.

When you send forth your spirit, they are created,
and you renew the face of the earth.

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

APOLLO BAY & LORNE

FIRST COLLECTION:

BSB: 083585 ACCOUNT: 810967715

APOLLO BAY & LORNE

SECOND COLLECTION

BSB: 033600 ACCOUNT: 230038

Diocesan Levies Paid this Month:

(Quarter: *Jan Feb March*.)

Apollo Bay Parish Account
\$2001.00

St Mary's Parish Account
Diocesan Admin. \$ 6366.00

Caritas: \$ 822.60

Total: \$7,917.60

**St Mary's & Apollo Bay
Presbytery Account \$
8089.00**

"Thank You" for the
generous contributions:
Planned Giving Envelopes &
Direct Debts
Presbytery 1st Collection /
Easter dues which enable us
to meet our commitments.

**Continued Appreciation
to Parishioners for
Sensitivity and
Generosity in ongoing
support of the Parish.
Parish Bank Details for
those wanting to assist
with Parish Expenses:**
* **For Direct Giving
Details: BSB: 083 585
Account: 811051426
Planned Giving: REF:
Envelope number /
surname: Or phone
Mandy in the Parish
Office 5231 2177.**



Letter from Bishop Paul in support of 'Calvary Hospital' - Canberra Health Services.

I am forwarding some information about the proposed government takeover of Calvary Hospital in Canberra. I would be grateful if you could bring this information to the notice of the people of your parish.

Those who wish to would be able to sign the online petition to Save Calvary. God bless you all.

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR

Most Reverend Fathers,

You would be aware that, on Wednesday 10 May 2023, the ACT Government announced that it would compulsorily acquire Calvary Public Hospital in Canberra. The Hospital is an apostolic work of the Little Company of Mary and has served residents of the ACT and nearby NSW towns since 1979.

There has been considerable commentary on the ACT Government's action, as well as sustained media interest.

Archbishop Prowse has called for the decision to be revisited and has established a taskforce, led by Father Tony Percy, to challenge the ACT Government's plan. He has supported a petition 'Save Calvary' (<https://www.savecalvary.com.au/>).

As the forced takeover of one Catholic apostolic work that receives government funding presents an unknown risk to other Catholic apostolic works which also receive government funding, Archbishop Prowse has asked that bishops support the 'Save Calvary' petition and, as they consider appropriate, promote the petition in the dioceses, particularly in parishes.

Further information can be found at:

Statement from Archbishop Christopher Prowse:

<https://cqccatholic.org.au/2023/05/archbishop-prowse-calvary-hospital/>

COLAC CHORALE INC.
presents with Geelong Youth Orchestra

String Quartet ~ "2 of the kind".

A program of song pairs

Sunday May 28th 2.00pm

Ss Johns Church Pollack St Colac.

Admission \$15 over 15 years

Afternoon Tea incl.

**With COVID – Still Active Bishop
Pauls ongoing advice: 'I recommend
reverent reception of the host in the
hand rather than reception on the
tongue.' Bishop Paul Bird CSsR.**

CATHOLIC CARE VICTORIA

**FAMILY & RELATIONSHIP
COUNSELLING**

Contact Wendy 55593006

Colac appointments