



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



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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.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 28th September 2025 – Year C

Responsorial Psalm

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty
Alleluia!

THIS WEEK

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1.4-7. Timothy 6:11-16. Luke 16:19-31

NEXT WEEK

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hab '2-3;2:2-4. Tim 1:6-8.13-14. Luke 17:5-19

Deaths: Michael 'Mick' Holland, Mary Rose Brought (nee Shalley. TAS).

Anniversaries: Fr John Keane, Joan Heath, Ruth Doupe, Norma Henriksen, Dora Phillips, Mary Lenehan, Frankie Lenehan, Les Lenehan, Les Hall.

MASS TIMES - COLAC, CORAGULAC, 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
<i>*Please see 9am Mass Times on next page</i>		
Sunday	11.00am	St Mary's- Colac
**Rosary - each Thursday: 9.30am St Mary's Church		
St Mary's: Holy Hour- 1st Tues of the month: 4-5pm		
MASS TIMES OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA – APOLLO BAY		
Tuesday	5.30pm	
Wednesday	10.00am	
Thursday	10.00am	
Friday	10.00am	
Sunday	11.00am	
OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE		
Sunday	9.00am	

Vinnies – September is Revitalization Month at Vinnies Colac, and they are looking for new Members to join them. For details, please contact Julie Foley Mob. 0437552350.

SEASON OF CREATION 2025

Each year from September 1 - October 4, the Christian family unites for this worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. Resources to celebrate the Season of Creation are available at <https://seasonofcreation.org/>

MASSES -BARONGAROOK GARDENS 3PM TUESDAY 29TH SEPT.

MERCY PLACE : 2.30PM WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPT.

NAMES FOR THE NEW PARISH

Thank you to everyone who has made suggestions. Below are the names collected so far. We are looking for both a holy name and a geographic descriptor (where are we?) We will need to consider names that are already in use by other parishes in the diocese, and the ways in which the new name will inspire us well into the future. One thought I have is that among our six churches we have three Marys and a Joseph. Another is that the Great Ocean Road leads to the Twelve Apostles which are not in our parish, but does that matter? Everyone who ever googled the Great Ocean Road and the Twelve Apostles would end up on our parish website.

Stella Maris and Country Fields Parish, Holy Trinity by the Sea, Southern Light Catholic Parish, Bay and Bush Catholic Parish, St Francis of the Waves, One Body in Christ Parish, Sacred Heart of the Coast, Coastal Hills Catholic Parish, Holy Spirit Parish of the South, St Catherine of Sienna, St Brendan the Navigator, The Good Samaritan, Martha and Mary, Living Water, St Bartholomew, Mary Glowrey, Parish of Living Waters, Parish of Sand and Stone, Colac District and Coast, St. Augustine in the Otway Parish, St Maximilian Kolbe of the Otways, Otway-Daily Bread, Elizabeth Anne Seton, One Body Many Shores.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Praise the Lord, my soul!

*It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.*

*It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free.*

*It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.*

*It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger.*

*He upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.*

*The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age
Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.*

Praise the Lord, my soul!

PARISH LOCATIONS FOR 9AM MASSES 2025

1 st Sunday	St Joseph's Pirron Yallock
2 nd Sunday	St Peter's Birregurra
3 rd Sunday	Our Lady of Fatima Lorne
4 th Sunday	St Brendan's - Coragulac
5 th Sunday	St Brendan's - Coragulac

Mary Glowrey

The Mary Glowrey Museum Staff will be presenting about Mary, at Trinity College on Wednesday 12 November at 3.40pm. All parishioners are warmly invited to this event. More info closer to the time, but for now, make a note in your diaries.

POPE'S LEO'S INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

For our relationship with all of creation *Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.*



There is a welcome touch of Spring in the air. It's a good time for a deep breath or two, a gentle stroll, some quiet —enough perhaps to attend to the silence. Silence is an opportunity for God to cross our threshold. - Andrew Bullen SJ



Discover Palms Volunteering

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Venue: Online- Scan the QR or register at palms.org.au/events **Date:** Thursday 30 October 2025

Time: 7 pm – 8.30 pm AEDT (VIC) **02 9560 533** palms@palms.org.au

Please remember to pick up your copy of the new Liturgy Roster – Thankyou

BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND

Collection for Retired Priests

The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund provides for retired priests who have spent a lifetime selflessly caring for others, and who deserve a happy and peaceful retirement. The Fund is currently supporting and caring for seventeen retired priests. This annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our retired priests. Your generous support has enabled us to continue 'caring for those who cared for us'. Special envelopes are available for this collection, which will be taken up today. You may also return your envelope next week. **Also, there is BCSF envelopes in the Gathering Space.**

A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.

CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US – THE CHURCH COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY

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