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St Mary's Noticesheet

St Mary's Colac is a community of believers, who strive to bring the good news to the people of Colac and district. Through service, caring and love we aim to create an environment of respect and understanding in which everyone can grow.

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION – 24TH May 2020 – Year A

Deaths: Margaret Costin (Apollo Bay), Kevin Kavanagh (W'Bool), Helen Edmonds, Janice McDonald (nee Hickey).

Anniversaries: Kitty & Alex Dalziel, Tel Hannah, Mary Prime, Frank Garner, Agnes & Jack Paatsch, Walter James Ryan, Dennis (Joe) Harty, Frs Bourke, Hussey, Gallagher.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

CONTINUE THIS WEEK AT THE USUAL TIMES:

*Tuesday 5pm.

*Wednesday Thursday, Friday, Saturday at 10am.

*Government and Church Authorities asked that a Register be kept of the people attending.

*10 only at each Mass.

*Register by phoning Mandy at Parish Office:

between 9am – 12 Noon.

(Name, Phone number, Address to be recorded).

*Recommended – Each Parishioner to attend one Mass only per week.

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*Easter Water: Available at St Mary's Church Doors!

Sympathy to:

- Patrice & Frank Sonnet on the death of Patrice's brother Kevin Kavanagh this week.

STRONG RECOMMENDATION: If Parishioners (Individual /Families) have members planning hospitalizations and seek any other sacramental ministry contact Parish Office prior to admission to the facilities. Ph: 5231 2177,

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



PLENARY COUNCIL ASSEMBLIES SET FOR 2021 AND 2022

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference last week decided to postpone the opening assembly by 12 months, with it now to be held in October 2021. Adelaide remains the venue for the first assembly. The second assembly will be in Sydney in April 2022. "Mindful of the ongoing challenges of COVID-19, it was felt that delaying the first assembly by a full year would provide some certainty that travel and social distancing guidelines will have been lifted for the assembly," said Plenary Council President Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB. "Just as importantly, we believe that this period of time will allow for an adequate period of preparation for the delegates and the Catholic community. "The postponement was an unfortunate speed bump on the Church's path to the Plenary Council assemblies, but we are committed to using this extra time wisely."

Plenary Council facilitator Lana Turvey-Collins said the continuing preparation for the Council will take on some new characteristics, shaped by the experience of the pandemic. "A program of webinars, podcasts and other multimedia projects will be rolled out in the latter half of 2020 to help the People of God explore and share about how they respond to the Spirit and live out their own call to mission – as individuals and collectively," "The material will be both formative and dialogical to help parishes, families, workplaces and other Catholic communities and organisations consider the unique contribution they make to the life and mission of the Church." The next step on that journey will come next week at Pentecost, when the papers prepared by the Discernment and Writing Groups will be released. The papers draw upon Scripture, magisterial and papal teaching, Catholic tradition and relevant practices from beyond the Church, as well as responses received during the Listening and Discernment phase.

'Sunday Mass' On Television: 6am – Channel 10
 Catholic Mass online: <http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand> or
 - St Joseph's Parish Warrnambool: can be viewed via:
 YouTube - www.tiny.cc/joe3280 or Facebook Or
<https://www.facebook.com/stjosephswarrnambool>
 - Sacred Heart Parish Mildura: Sunday Masses available on:
<http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIHcYcCTuk5DivKLWYIbvag>
 - St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat: Mass livestreamed daily
 at 11.30am can be viewed on Patrick's Cathedral Facebook
 page: <http://www.facebook.com/patrick'scathedral9>