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St Mary's Noticesheet

St Mary's Colac is a community of believers, who strive to bring Christ's 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 every one can grow. We acknowledge the Gulidjan, people, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years.



6th Sunday of Easter – 9th May 2021 –Year B

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!!

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! 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

6th Sunday of Easter Year B

Acts 10:25-26.34-35.44-48; John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

The Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11. Ephesians 1:17-23. Mark 16:15-20.

Caritas Australia would like to THANK YOU for supporting Project Compassion 2021.

So far this Year: \$2,948.00

Deaths: Daryl Marwood, Frank Costa, Bill Cannon, Frank Sheehan(B'at), Amanda Brown, Ida McIntosh,

Anniversaries: Denis Joe Harty, Shirley Roslyn Rosevear, Lucy Selman(nee Foley), Monica Delia, Veronica Mary Mathews, Pauline Versaevel, Gwen Finnigan(Winchcombe), Shirley Greene,

MASS TIMES

Tuesday	5.00pm	St Mary's
Wednesday	10.00am	St Mary's
Thursday	10.00am	St Mary's
Friday	10.00am	St Mary's
Friday	6.30pm	St Joseph's Cressy
Saturday	6.00pm	St Mary's
Sunday	9.00am	St Mary's
	11.00am	St Mary's

SACRAMENTAL OF RECONCILIATION

*Each Friday after 10am Mass

**Anytime by appointment

MASS COUNT: On the 4 Sundays of May throughout Australia (commencing this weekend) – the Australian Bishops Conference has asked that a Mass count be taken at all Weekend Masses and Communion Services. (Yes, it will confirm what we already know and no doubt assist with future planning in the Diocese).

Feast Days 13th May Our Lady of Fatima: 14th May St Mathias

CATHOLIC CARE Family Counselling Wendy 0409192480.

BAPTISM: We welcome *Savannah Scanlon, Bella Mutesa & Enzo Mutesa* into our parish through the sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

POPES INTENTION FOR MAY Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

NOTICES

Tuesday: Regional Meeting: Our Lady East Warrnambool: 10am

***CWL Meeting** Tuesday 11th May 1.30 in Gathering Space

Wednesday: Parish Leadership Team – 7.30pm Gathering Space.

Thursday: Parish Finance Committee – 5.30pm Gathering Space.

CROFT FAMILY GROUP Casserole Tea Friday 14th May at 6pm @ Gathering Space members to bring Casserole.

Sweets will be supplied. Phone: Leona on 0408330930

GLEESON FAMILY GROUP. Our May activity is a visit to Creswick. We will leave from Gleeson's at 9.30am on Friday 14th May.

COLLECTIONS: Since Covid-19 We have been having '**Leaving Collections**' We express our appreciation to the **Collectors** who have generously stayed behind for some time to assist people who are slower to leave the Church.

(Yes! Prayer & Community!) I have asked the Collectors after 'sufficient' time to leave one Basket on the table to enable all the opportunity to contribute as they choose. **(M'OT)**

SYMPATHY TO * Gloria Marwood also Lucas, Jarrod & Beth and the Marwood Family on the death of Darryl, Husband, father brother.

*Daryl Cannon and family on death of their father (and grandfather of Dan teacher at St Mary's School.

Future 1st Anniversary Masses: 11am. 16th May Margaret O'Sullivan; 23rd May Tony Dimasi.

Faith is not an album of past memories; Jesus is not outdated. He is alive here and now. He walks beside you each day, in every situation you are experiencing, in every trial you have to endure, in your deepest hopes and dreams. Pope Francis.



TRIBUTE TO FRANK COSTA

Former Geelong captain **Tom Harley** caught up with Mr Costa for a coffee in recent weeks to say thank you. “He was obviously very driven and self-motivated and his life centred around his family, his footy and **his Faith**, Harley said. He was a great man who transcended the footy club and one of the things I feel most fortunate about in my life is spending over a decade under the leadership of Frank and I was fortunate to be very close to him as a player. “He was very much a values-based person in the way he led his family, the way he led his business and the way he led the footy club.

Des Tobin wrote Frank Costa’s biography “Family, **Faith** & Footy. “He understood in business you have to understand your business, you have to understand your product, you have to understand your customer, and you have to provide the customers what they need, and you need to pay your bills and you need to be fair, don’t rip anyone off”, Mr Tobin said. “He was just a good and decent, generous man and that’s reflected in everything – the way he lived his life, the way he raised his family, the way he changed the course of the Geelong Football Club.”

Father Kevin Dillon a long-time parish priest at Frank’s beloved St Mary’s often described his friend as the “King of Geelong.” He said the Costa Legacy stretched to countless charities, causes and organisations, all of whom would grieve the news of Franks’ death. “Frank was just the humblest of people. He never had any tickets on himself. He was successful, he was influential, but he didn’t put himself above anybody else.” Fr Dillon said. “There are lots of phrases that will be used about Frank and there won’t be any negative ones, but none of them will be exaggerated. “The esteem in which Frank has been held has never dimmed, not because Frank was seeking the limelight but because he was the natural **‘go to person’**, within the footy club and within the community, where his voice and wisdom to be just an ordinary bloke who spoke common sense and set good standards was always taken on board.”(Including generous donor to Anam Cara, Colac!)

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Family Week May 10-15, 2021 -Family is one of the largest influential factors in a child’s life. By nurturing family relationships and building strong bonds within the family, children learn how to build positive relationships all throughout their lives. More information available at <https://www.ccam.org.au/news/161/the-importance-of-family>

“Engaging Your Faith” online sessions offered by Catholic Theological College

“Engaging Your Faith” is a series of short sessions offering an opportunity to explore your faith through a variety of topics including: Spirituality, Women in the Early Church, Church History, Reading the Church Classics, The Eucharist, and Science and Religion. All topics are presented by lecturers of CTC. Choose from 8 online sessions – choose one, choose all, choose what interests you. Sessions will be delivered via zoom and will be held from May 11– 31, 2021 at \$20.00 per session. Registration is essential at <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=747351&>

“Liturgy and Sacraments in a COVID World: Renewal not Restoration” Public Lecture

On Monday, May 17, 2021 the ACU Centre for Liturgy is proud to present an online public lecture by Monsignor Professor Kevin W Irwin on “Liturgy and Sacraments in a COVID World: Renewal not Restoration”. The public lecture will run from 10.00am – 11.30am AEST via Zoom. More information and registration details available from <https://www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/institutes-academies-and-centres/acu-centre-for-liturgy/news-events-and-resources>

EARLY NOTICE: Week of Prayer Christian Unity Thurs 5pm, 20th May Theme: “Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit”.

A Mother’s Day Prayer: *I said a Mother’s Day prayer for you to thank the Lord above for blessing me with a lifetime of your tender hearted love. I thanked God for the caring you’ve shown me through the years, for the closeness we’ve enjoyed in time of laughter and of tears. And so, I thank you from the heart for all you’ve done for me and I bless the Lord for giving me the best mother there could be! – Author Unknown*

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - 16 th May 2021 Year B (P=Pourer, S=Sick Minister)						
		6.00pm		9.00am		11.00am
Ministers	T	J Scott	S	Jim Ryan	T	B Morrissy
Of the Eucharist	P	A Abbott	T	R Malone		J Foley
Commentator		J Fulford		Philip Drew		Jack Lenaghan
Reader		H Paatsch		A Picard-Drew		Lucy Allan
Offertory		Lorraine Black		C McMaster		K Robarts
Projector		C O’Shannassy		Lani Black		L Simpson