



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.

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 3rd July 2022 Year C

Responsorial Psalm

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
 May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you.
 Alleluia!

THIS WEEK

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 66:10-14. Galatians 6:1.14-18. Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

NEXT WEEK

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Colossians 1:15-20 Luke 10: L25-37

Deaths: Joseph Menzies, Sr Aileen Coghlan, R.S.M., Cesira Borelli, Terry Heenan, Joan-Anne Scanlan,
Anniversaries: Lena Cass, Patrick Finn (Senior), Margaret Mary (Maggie) McMahon, Con McMaster, Brendan Garner, Michael Horan, Rick Gannon, Vincenza Colace, Paul Hanegraaf

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
Friday	6.30pm	St Joseph – Cressy
Saturday	6.00pm	St Mary's- Colac
Sunday	9.00am 11.00am	St Mary's- Colac St Mary's- Colac
Sunday	11am	Birregurra Anglican Church.
MASS TIMES OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA – APOLLO BAY WINTER PROGRAM: WEEKDAY MASS IN THE OFFICE PRESBYTERY.		
Tuesday	5.30pm	
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday	10.00am	
Sunday	11.00am	
OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE		
Sunday	9.00am	

SPECIAL COLLECTION: FEAST OF ST PETER & PAUL

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE POPE: July 2-3, 2022

Once again the Annual Collection for the Holy Father is to be taken up throughout the world on a weekend near the Feast of ss. Peter & Paul (June 29). I would be grateful if you could arrange for the collection to be taken up in your parish(es). Depending on your local circumstances, this could be on the weekend of July 2 & 3.

I am aware of the many demands made on the people of our Diocese throughout the year by way of appeals for financial support. However, this particular Appeal does require special attention. Through this collection we have the opportunity to support the Pope's pastoral care for people around the world. I commend the 2022 Appeal to you and your parishioners.

Yours in Christ,
 Paul Bird CSsR

Bishop of Ballarat

SYMPATHY TO: Therese Engel: her brother Joseph Menzies,
 Faye Cirillo: her mother Cesira Borelli:
 Dion & Brendan Scanlan: their sister, Joan-Anne Scanlan.

ROSARY BEADS REQUEST: The Good Samaritan Centre in Timor-Leste, is an educational complex sponsored by the Good Sams. Sr Rita Hayes sgs, who will visit the Centre this month, has been asked if she could bring Rosary Beads for the people. If you have extra Beads and would like them to be delivered to the people, they would be well used and much appreciated.

There is a box on the table near the Piety Stall for any contributions. (Due to the climate cords are unsuitable.)

Needed by 18th July. Thank you. Srs. Gerri & Margaret

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS – JULY

Elderly We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility

Croft Family Group will be meeting for lunch at the 'Golden Sky Indian Restaurant' at 223 Murray Street, Colac on Sunday 3rd July at 12 noon. Please RSVP to Liz on 0428348358 All welcome.



NAIDOC WEEK Begins: Jesus Voice Remains Strong – National NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia from the 3-10 July 2022, to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

*Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise.*

*Say to God: "How tremendous your deeds! **Response.***

*'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'*

*Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men.*

Response.

*He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.*

*Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might. **Response***

Come and hear, all who fear God,

I will tell what he did for my soul.

*Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me.*

Response

CENSUS 2021: ARCHBISHOP COLERIDGE.

The Church is "no longer the power in the land we once were", Archbishop Mark Coleridge of Brisbane has said in response to the 2021 Census results. "It's been clear for some time that the Church is no longer the power in the land we once were," Archbishop Coleridge said. "But we remain a large minority engaged far and wide in service of the community," including in education, social services, health and aged care – as well as parish life. "Almost half the population still identify as Christian, which means that Jesus is very much part of the mix in the Australian soul. "That means his will remain a key voice as we work together to shape the life of the nation into the future." Archbishop Coleridge's remarks, also included praise for migrant Catholics who have "greatly enriched" the Church in Australia.



'Plenary Council Prayer.' Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land. O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying. Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen. Mary Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us

MESSAGES OF HOPE, PRAYER ACCOMPANY PLENARY MEMBERS People from across the country are sharing their hopes and prayers with the 277 Members of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia who will gather in Sydney for the second and final assembly next week. When the Council Members arrive for the assembly, cards handwritten by Catholics will be included in their welcome packs. "This has been a journey surrounded by the voices and prayers of the entire Catholic community, and these cards are a way of bringing that voice into the second assembly," said Plenary Council president Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB. "We are deeply grateful for and moved by the deep sharing that has taken place and we will all carry these messages with us during the assembly." Sr Marion Gambin RSJ, the Plenary Council's Acting Facilitator, said there has been a concerted effort to capture and live out the national significance of this event. "There remains a great longing in the Church in Australia for a successful conclusion to this Plenary Council and that is expressed through the messages we have received in these cards."

NUMBER OF CHRISTIANS FALLS IN LATEST CENSUS: Australia has become less religious, with the latest Census data showing the proportion of Christians dropping below 50 per cent for the first time and a soaring number of people identifying as "non-religious". The first tranche of data from the 2021 Census, released by the

Australian Bureau of Statistics today, shows that just 44 per cent of Australians now identify as Christian, down from 52 per cent five years earlier and 61 per cent in 2011. When the first Census was conducted in 1911, 96 per cent of Australians listed a form of Christianity as their religion. The proportion of Australians identifying as Catholic declined from 23 to 20 per cent over the past five years while self-identified Anglicans dropped from 13 to 10 per cent. By contrast, the share of Australians identifying as "non-religious" has surged.

Thirty-nine per cent of Australians now identify as non-religious, up from 30 per cent in 2016 and almost double the 22 per cent of Australians who ticked the "no religion" box a decade ago. In the mid-1960s, less than 1 per cent of people in Australia identified as having no religion.

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