



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.

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ – 1st June 2023 – Year A

Responsorial Psalm

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!
 I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
 Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

This Week's Readings

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Deut. 8:2-3.14-16. Cor. 10:16-17. John 6:51-58

Next Week's Readings

11th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Exodus 19:2-6, Roman 5:6-11, Matt 9:36-10:8

Deaths: Leon Paatsch, Eric Larsen, Jhon Benning, Geoffrey Higgins, Leo Wright (Traralgon).

Anniversaries: John Fleming, Tom Fleming, Fr Brendan Smith, Margaret Johnson, Margaret Gray, Francesco Zaia.

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	*8.00am	St Mary's- Colac
Friday	10.00am	Sacred Heart School
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 1st Tues of Month: 4-5pm

Rosary - each Friday: 9.30am St Mary's Church

MASS TIMES -OUR LADY /SEA – APOLLO BAY

Tuesday	5.30pm
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday	10.00am
Sunday	11.00am

OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE

Sunday	9.00am
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TODAY: Feast of Body & Blood of Christ.
Holy Hour with Prayer of the Church
Sunday 11th June 3-4pm St Mary's Colac.

BAPTISM: We welcome this week into our Parish Community through the sacrament of Baptism: **HENRY WILLIAM QUINLAN**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
Annual Winter Appeal 2023

Whilst we are always grateful for any monetary help for this appeal this year our Colac Welfare Office is asking if you could Donate Food. **Fill A Bag for Vinnies:** Bags are supplied and we would be very grateful for any nonperishable foods that we can pass on to others. **Please leave you donations at Vinnies shop or St Mary's Church.**

MEETING: CWL Meeting Friday 16th June at Mary's Place 10.30am. No morning tea.

SYMPATHY: *To Trish & family on the death Geoff Higgins.
 *To Ray Bowen on the death of his good friend Leo Wright.
 * To Paatsch family members on the death of Leon.

Croft Family Group Winter Warmer Lunch at the East Hotel. Sunday June 11, 12:30 pm RSVP to Linda for booking confirmation 0448314774. All Welcome!

Crawford family Group: Thursday, June 15th. Lunch at Beac Hotel, 12.30pm Please meet at Church carpark at 11.45am for car pooling. RSVP Dulcie 52322981 by June 13th.

GLEESON Family Group. Winter Celebration at Gleeson's home, June 24 starting 6.30 / 7pm. For catering purposes please notify Pat 0413081617 before Tuesday 20 if you will be coming.

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 – 3 @\$5 OR 1 TICKET @\$2

1ST PRIZE 18L AIR FRYER OVEN

2ND PRIZE VAX PET COMFORT VACUUM CLEANER

3RD PRIZE \$150. SHOPPING VOUCHER (REDEEMABLE: 150 STORES)

Refugee Week 18th June to 24th June 2023 – Theme this year is 'Finding Freedom.'

KSC Colac will be celebrating their centenary this year with a display in the gathering space and 11.00am Mass on Sunday 2nd July. We will have lunch at the East Hotel at 1.00pm. Anyone wanting to join us for lunch will be most welcome. Please contact Bill van Engelen on 0347062981 so we can arrange catering.

CONGRATUALIONS: Tony and Helen Jones on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

Zion, praise your God!

He has strengthened the bars of your gates,
he has blessed the children within you.

He established peace on your borders,
he feeds you with finest wheat.

He sends out his word to the earth
and swiftly runs his command.

He makes his word known to Jacob,
to Israel his laws and decrees.

He has not dealt thus with other nations;
he has not taught them his decrees.

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.



APOLLO BAY & LORNE

FIRST COLLECTION:

BSB: 083585 ACCOUNT: 810967715

APOLLO BAY & LORNE

SECOND COLLECTION

BSB: 033600 ACCOUNT: 230038

Parish Account Colac

* For Direct Giving

Details: BSB: 083 585

Account: 811051426

Planned Giving: REF:

Envelope no. / surname:

Or phone the Parish

Office 5231 2177.

INVITATION: INDUCTION:

REV SUSAN MALTHOUSE –

LAW AS MINISTER OF THE

COLAC UNITING CHURCH

SAT. 17TH JUNE AT 2PM.

BRENNAN PRAYS FOR ADVENT OF ‘RECONCILING SPIRIT’. By [Rob Harris](#) THE AGE - June 3, 2023

Rome: One of the Catholic Church’s leading proponents of the Indigenous Voice to parliament fears the referendum will leave Australians divided – no matter the result – and he lays the blame on both sides of politics for not striving harder to find common ground.

Father Frank Brennan, a Jesuit priest and human rights lawyer, will use a lecture in Rome on Saturday to urge Australians to recommit themselves to a “deep inner listening” towards each other and the land. He will remind Prime Minister Anthony Albanese and Opposition Leader Peter Dutton that they bear responsibility for the tone of the debate. Brennan presented a copy of his book on the subject, *An Indigenous Voice to Parliament: Considering a Constitutional Bridge*, which was released in March, to Pope Francis when they met at the Vatican this week. Brennan dedicated the copy to the 86-year-old with an inscription reading “hoping and praying for an Indigenous Voice to Parliament”. Along with the visit of Indigenous elder Miriam-Rose Ungunmerr Baumann to the Vatican [for reconciliation talks with the church this week](#), Brennan’s speech to the Pontifical Gregorian University will offer a contemporary Australian perspective on the recognition of Aboriginal rights, and warn that voters will face a stark choice in the referendum, slated to be held in October. “Neither side of the parliamentary chamber has done what was needed to bring the country together, to bring reconciliation in our land, to bring the country to ‘Yes,’” Brennan says in a draft copy of his address circulated on Friday. “Whichever way the referendum goes, we will be left with a country divided, and that is a tragedy.”

Pope Francis with the Australian delegation that included Fr Frank Brennan, Chiara Porro and Miriam-Rose Ungunmerr-Baumann. Pope Francis has received a book advocating for a Voice to Parliament from long-time Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander advocate Fr Frank Brennan SJ. Fr Brennan dedicated the book to the Pope “hoping and praying for an Indigenous Voice to Parliament” when he met Francis at The Vatican earlier this week. The dedication also thanks Francis for his declaration in *Laudato Si’*, in which the Pope said: “It is essential to show special care for indigenous communities and their cultural traditions. They are not merely one minority among others but should be the principal dialogue partners.” Fr Brennan was accompanying respected aboriginal elder and artist



L to R: Feast of the Trinity Harry Murphy with St Mary's Rafael, Niko & Fr Michael. .Vigil Mass: Matilda & Amana with Alyssa & Fr Michael.

Miriam-Rose Ungunmerr Baumann, 73, from Daly River, who was thrilled to speak with the Pope about the connections of God and nature.

Dr Ungunmerr Baumann has been in Rome for a series of events with the Australian Embassy to the Holy See marking National Reconciliation week, the 50th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Australia and the Holy See and the 50th anniversary of the first Aboriginal Liturgy. Fr Brennan, a law professor, has advocated changing the wording of the Voice from “executive government” to “ministers of state” so that support for the upcoming referendum could be broadened.