



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.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Times – 1st October 2023 – Year A



Responsorial Psalm

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!
 My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
 I know them and they follow me.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

This Week's Readings

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Ezekiel 18:25-28 Philippians 2:1-11 Matthew 21:28-32

Next Week's Readings
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Isaiah 5:1-7 Philippians 4:6-9 Matthew 21:33-43

Deaths: Sue Briody, Les Lenehan, (St Brendan's), Ray Maloney (W'Bool), Fagan Hassan, Mike Lawton, Fatima da Conceicao Magno (East Timor).

Anniversaries: Georgia Andreadakis, Mary Lenehan, Frank Lenehan, Dan & Hugh Delahunty.

| MASS TIMES - COLAC, CRESSY, BIRREGURRA. | | |
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| 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 |
| Sunday | 9.00am | St Peter's Birregurra |
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| RECONCILIATION: Each Friday after 10am Mass. Anytime by Appointment. | | |
| St Mary's: Holy Hour- 1 st Tuesday October: 4-5pm | | |
| Rosary - each Friday: 9.30am St Mary's Church | | |

| Masses - Apollo Bay | |
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| Tuesday | 5.30pm |
| Wednesday, Thursday, Friday | 10.00am |
| Sunday | 11.00am |
| OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE | |
| Sunday | 9.00am |

THIS WEEK MEETING

Apollo Bay Finance Committee Meeting:
 Thursday 5th October 5pm.

FEAST DAY: *OCT 2ND: HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS.

*OCT 4TH: ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

*OCT 5TH: ST FAUSTINA

*OCT 6TH: (IN ANTICIPATION) OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY.

Memorial Mass ~ Sympathy to Simon gathering with his East Timor Community: today 11am Mass to pray for his mother 'Fatima' – who died recently in East Timor.

OUR APPRECIATION: Liam Butterworth

for this presentation to the community last weekend on his World Youth Day experience in Lisbon, Portugal in August.



4TH TERM: Best Wishes to Students, Teachers & Staff, also Parents as the final term commences. For Year 12 students just 10 days before preparation for Exams.

BAPTISM: WELCOME TO OUR PARISH THIS WEEKEND THROUGH THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:
 LILLIAN RAINE KNIGHT.

END OF SEASON: Just a Word of 'Appreciation' to Coaches, Support Staff, Committee Members: Football-Netball Clubs, Base Ball Soccer Clubs – who provide our Youth with such support, encouragement, personal development and entertainment during the Winter Month. Roll On Summer Sport!!

Croft and Gleeson Family Group have a weekend booked at Star of the Sea Apollo Bay 13-15 October.

There are still some spots available in this lovely, refurbished building in the heart of the town. This is an affordable way to spend a weekend relaxing in Apollo Bay with other members of the parish community, sharing some hospitality, conversation and company. Everyone is free to complete their own activities or join in and we share a meal Saturday night.
 COST Per Adult: \$72 per person per night; secondary student: \$43; younger children 0. Bed linen & Towels is \$15 per person per stay. You may bring your own linen if you wish. Please contact Linda if you are interested or would like further information. 0448314774.

Crawford Family Group: Thursday 12th October Lunch at the Austral Hotel at 12 noon RSVP Marie 0477252912.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Lord, make me know your ways.
Lord, teach me your paths.
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:
for you are God my saviour.
Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth.
In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord.
The Lord is good and upright.
He shows the path to those who stray,
he guides the humble in the right path;
he teaches his way to the poor.

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Columbian
Calendar 2024
Available at St
Mary's
Piety Store
\$10 each.

APOLLO BAY & LORNE

FIRST COLLECTION:
BSB: 083585 Acc: 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:

Pope Francis Intentions for October 2023

For the Synod ~ We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

Faithful invited to pray for Synod of Bishops: The Vatican is asking all baptised people, regardless of whether they will be in Rome, to participate in October's assembly of the Synod of Bishops with their prayers. *"The Synod is first and foremost an event of prayer and listening does not solely involve the members of the synodal assembly, but every baptised person, every particular Church,"* the letter read. *"Indeed, all are called in this moment to join ourselves to the communion of prayer and in the insistent invocation of the Holy Spirit so it may guide us in the discernment of what the Lord asks today of his Church."* More information available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/for-a-synodal-church-communion-participation-and-mission/>

WINDFIRE MUSIC FESTIVAL GEELONG, 6 -15 October 2023 Music at the Basilica is proud to present the 14th Annual Windfire Music Festival. Experience a diverse range of concerts ranging from love songs of 17 century England to music for a brass ensemble. We have 6 great concerts featuring local and national and internationally acclaimed performers. We have the Excelsis Choir and the Melbourne Women's Choir. Do not miss your chance to hear these fine musicians perform. For more details and ticket information, visit www.musicatthebasilica.org.au

A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Weekend is for YOU... "Live Your Best Married

Life in Love" Every relationship is a journey and the grind of everyday life can easily cause you to lose touch with your spouse. This weekend gives married couples time to nurture your relationship and some tools to keep passion alive in a gentle, supportive environment, away from pressures and distractions of daily living. Every married couple deserves a Marriage Encounter weekend!! The weekend is based around Catholic values and couples of all faiths are welcome.

Please check our website for more details Date: 3-5 November 2023 in Melbourne NOW

Information/Bookings: Phone **Mercy & James 0409 183 676** or

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.au

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS 2PM SUNDAY 1ST OCTOBER

Bring along you Animal friends, whether they have fur, feathers or gills!!

Ss Johns Anglican Church corner of Pollack and Hesse St Colac. (Afternoon Tea to follow).



2023 Theme, "Let Justice and Peace Flow"

The Season of Creation runs from September 1 – October 4. The following resources are available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/welfare/catholic-earthcare-ballarat-diocese/season-of-creation-2023/>

Prayer: For all peoples: that we will remember to live in wonder and awe of creation, love the Earth and each other, as You do, and practice gratitude every day.
Lord hear us.