



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.



**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time – 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024 –Year B**

**Responsorial Psalm**

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia! Alleluia!  
 A great prophet has risen in our midst  
 God has visited his people.  
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

**This Weeks Readings**

**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

Job 38:1,8-11. Cor 5:14-17 Mark 4:35-41

**Next Weeks Readings**

**13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**

Wisdom 1:13-15;2:23-24. Cor 8:7.9.13-15. Mark 5:21-43

**Deaths:** Michael Nolan(Terang), Noreen O'Connor (Simpson), Chris Woods (Lorne), Fr Brendan Dillion (Melb), Margaret Sweeny, Tony McCarthy (Columban).

**Anniversaries:** Assunta Borgia, Max Whealan, Bill Doran.

MASS TIMES - COLAC, CRESSY, BIRREGURRA.		
Tuesday	5.00pm	St Mary's
Wednesday	10.00am	St Mary's
Thursday	10.00am	St Mary's
Friday	10.00am	St Mary's
Saturday	6.00pm	St Mary's
Sunday	9.00am 11.00am	St Mary's
Rosary - each Thursday: 9.30am St Mary's Church		
St Mary's: Holy Hour- 1st Tuesday of the month: 4-5pm		
STAR OF THE SEA - APOLLO BAY		
Tues, Thurs, Friday	No Mass	
Wednesday	4.30pm	
Sunday	11.00am	
OUR LADY OF FATIMA – LORNE		
Sunday	9.00am	

**Thank You:** @ "I thank all who helped & continued to make my 50<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary of Ordination such a happy occasion.: **And There's More!**

**St Brendan's** – Supper Sun. 23rd June after 5pm Mass.

**SYMPATHY TO:**

Joanne & Kevin Robertson on the death of Joanne's Mother (Noreen O'Connor) this week.

**\*Also To** Maree Furlong on the death of her Mother Margaret Sweeny.

**CONGRATULATIONS: BAPTISM** Welcome into God's family this weekend: **Claudia Fraser.**

**Fletcher & Maggie Clothier.**

**CWL Afternoon tea 25th June 2pm on the Lane Café**

**St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal**



The theme of the appeal this year is the "Working Homeless", focussing on the emerging trend of people who are experiencing housing hardship and disadvantage despite being in employment. *Please write your name and address if you require a receipt. All donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible. To donate online, go to [www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au) or call 131812. Or Envelopes on Collection Plate.*



Mr. Paul Clohesy, joined Fr Michael at the Presbytery Luncheon to farewell Leanne, Michael Mahoney and Jack.

**Our School Principals around our dioceses are travelling to Ireland** - as part of the Diocesan 150th anniversary celebrations taking place this year. The Diocesan Director had asked that all principals attend a pilgrimage like this over the next few years. The pilgrimage will be led by Fr Justin Driscoll from the Ballarat Cathedral and will be visiting a number of institutions and sites that have special significance to the Catholic Church in Ballarat, such as Trinity College, Loreto House and the first Mercy House, built by Catherine McAuley, the founder of the Mercy sisters who began Sacred Heart School here is Colac. The pilgrimage will take place during next week and the first week of the school holidays.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.*

They who sailed the sea in ships, trading on the deep waters,  
These saw the works of the LORD and his wonders in the abyss.  
His command raised up a storm wind which tossed its waves on  
high. They mounted up to heaven; they sank to the depths;  
their hearts melted away in their plight.

They cried to the LORD in their distress; from their straits he  
rescued them, He hushed the storm to a gentle breeze,  
and the billows of the sea were stilled.

They rejoiced that they were calmed,  
and he brought them to their desired haven.

Let them give thanks to the LORD for his kindness  
and his wondrous deeds to the children of men.

*Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.*

## APOLLO BAY & LORNE

### FIRST COLLECTION

BSB: 083585 Acc: 810967715

### SECOND COLLECTION

BSB: 033600 ACCOUNT: 230038

## Pope's Prayer Intentions for June

**For migrants fleeing their homes** We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

## CENTACARE

**Family Counsellor Wendy**  
**Appointments Contact:**  
**5559 3006**

## Prayer for Refugee Week

*Lord, no one is a stranger to you and no one is ever far from your loving care. In your kindness watch over refugees and asylum seekers, those separated from their loved ones, those who are lost, and those who have been exiled from their homes. Bring them safely to the place where they long to be, and help us always to show your kindness to strangers and those in need.*  
*Australian Catholic Social Justice Council.*

**\*150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Formation:** Sessions to be held around the diocese with a focus on leadership & governance in preparation for the Diocesan Assembly in November 2024.

**Fr. Justin Driscoll to facilitate the Formation Sessions: Colac July 30<sup>th</sup>.**  
**Please RSVP Colac Parish by 22nd July 12pm - Parish Office 52312177**  
**Colac Formation Day Schedule:** Begin with 10am Mass, 1pm Lunch  
3pm Finish with prayer.

## ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE POPE: June 29-30

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). Through this collection we have the opportunity to support the Pope's pastoral care for people around the world. I commend the 2024 Appeal to you and your parishioners.

**Paul Bird CSsR - Bishop of Ballarat**

## National Refugee Week: June 17-23, 2024

In a world marked by displacement and the search for refuge, this year's Refugee Week theme "Finding Freedom" – with a focus on family – encapsulates the profound journey of resilience, strength, and unity that defines the refugee experience. This Refugee Week, we aim to shed light on the transformative power of familial bonds as well as chosen bonds in the face of adversity and emphasise the crucial role families play in providing solace, support, and a sense of belonging to those forced to flee their homelands. More information is available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/national-refugee-week-june-17-23-2024/>



## NEW 'PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM' TO COMMENCE 1 JULY 2024.

For many years, the Parish has been Budgeting on \$125,000. Annually. Our only source of income is Planned Giving Envelopes and Direct Debit. With a month to go we have received \$107600. with appreciation. You may be able to catch us up.

You now may be able to commit to the New Financial Year 2024 -2025

I/We \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Would like to contribute to the Financial costs of St Mary's Parish by: Envelopes or Direct Debit (please circle one) Please place on the collection plate or post to

**ST MARY'S PARISH, PO BOX 310, COLAC 3250**

**\*ALSO, IF YOU REQUIRE TO CHANGE YOUR PLANNED GIVING PLEDGE - FORMS ARE ON THE TABLE IN THE GATHERING SPACE.**

**YOU MAY TAKE ONE AND RETURN IN THE COMING WEEKS.**