



Our Lady Star of the Sea Apollo Bay
 Our Lady of Fatima Lorne
 St Mary's Colac
 St Peter's Birregurra



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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.



18th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 4th August 2024 –Year B

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord gave them bread from heaven

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!
 No one lives on bread alone,
 but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

This Weeks Readings

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 Exodus 16: 2-4, 12-15; Eph. 4:17, 20-21; Jn. 6: 24-35

Next Weeks Readings

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 Kings 19:4-8. Ephesians 4:30-5:2. John 6:41-51

Deaths: Marie Ryan(nee Paatsch), Warwick Eaton, Ann Dale, John Buckle, Lorraine McDade, Richard Ballagh, Juma Khan, John Maunsell, 180+ Victims of the Landslide In Kerala/India

Anniversaries: Donny McCarthy, Shirley Colbert, Marunis Engels, Len Moloney, Joseph Menzies, Patricia Coates

| MASS TIMES - COLAC, CRESSY, BIRREGURRA. | | |
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| 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 | | |
| Tuesday | 5.30pm | |
| Wed, Thurs., Friday | 10am | |
| Sunday | 11.00am | |
| OUR LADY OF FATIMA – LORNE | | |
| Sunday | 9.00am | |

Pope Francis Prayers of Intercession for August For political leaders

We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

Aged Care Employee Day: Wed. 7th August :Around 1.5 million Australians rely on the kindness, expertise & commitment of others to deliver their aged care support. "I love seeing the joy residents show when sharing their stories & being able to have the time to sit & listen to them..I love that I get to have a good laugh & conversation with many amazing people".

SYMPATHY TO: Mary Eaton & family on the sudden death of Warwick on holidays with Mary in W.A. last week: Vigil Prayers this Thursday at 5.30 in St. Mary's. Requiem Mass: Friday at 1 pm.

: Joan Hannah on the death of her brother Richard (Alice Springs) last week: Memorial Mass with Joan this Thursday: 10am: St. Mary's
 :Eileen Maguane (Paatsch & Ryan families) on the death of Marie Ryan(nee Paatsch) in Geelong last week. (Marie was buried in Colac last Friday).

:Our INDIAN Community – on the death of 180+ of their native men, women & children in their home State of Kerala/India. Thousands more missing, homeless, injured - due to the devastating Landslide caused by torrential Rain Storms. Our Prayers and Support to them at this time.

Liaquat (our Afghan friend & brother) on the death of his father this week in Pakistan.

--:**GLEESON FAMILY GROUP:** Dinner at La Porchetta: Thursday 15th. August at 6 pm. RSVP: by 12th. August to Robert: 0407523121

THOMAS CARR COLLEGE: (Tarneit & Samaritan Campus Coragulac): Former Student – Dante Exum, a member of the Australian Boomers Basketball Team in Paris : Olympic Games!!

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: August 5: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major; 6th: Transfiguration of the Lord; 8th: St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY: AUGUST 25TH:
'TRUTH & PEACE: A GOSPEL WORD IN A VIOLENT WORLD'. (Australian Bishops)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord gave them bread from heaven

The things we have heard and understood,
the things our fathers have told us,
we will tell to the next generation:
the glories of the Lord and his might.
He commanded the clouds above
and opened the gates of heaven.
He rained down manna for their food,
and gave them bread from heaven.
Mere men ate the bread of angels.
He sent them abundance of food.
He brought them to his holy land,
to the mountain which his right hand had won.
The Lord gave them bread from heaven

APOLLO BAY & LORNE

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St Mary MacKillop Feast Day Celebration – August 8, 2024

Mary MacKillop Place North Sydney and the Sisters of Saint Joseph are livestreaming Mass on August 8, 2024 at 10.00am to celebrate the Feast of St Mary MacKillop, Livestream link is

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/lppmamzmOb0>. Resources to assist with celebrations for this Feast day are available at <https://www.marymackillopplace.org.au/chapel/feast-day-resources/>

-BALLARAT DIOCESE: 150TH ANNIVERSARY : Preparation for the Diocesan Assembly in November 2024 : Fr. Justin Driscoll at the invitation of Bishop Paul Bird is facilitating formation sessions being held around the Diocese with a focus on leadership & governance. Sessions have been held already in Horsham, Mildura, Robinvale & Colac (last Tuesday) Still to be conducted in Ballarat & Warrnambool) 50 people attended last Tuesday – with parishioners from Coragulac, Donald, Maryborough, Ballarat & Colac. Julie & Jane from the Diocesan Office of Pastoral Planning accompanied Fr. Justin.

Fr Justin Driscoll is facilitating the formation sessions. Fr Justin began the sessions with the anniversary prayer. He included the points below on the Assembly in his introduction.

Why an assembly? Considering Plenary Council Decree 7: *At the service of Communion, Participation, and Mission - Governance*, Bishop Paul Bird called a Diocesan Assembly on leadership and governance for a synodal church, to coincide with the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat.

<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

Why an Assembly and not a Synod? The Diocese of Ballarat has decided on an assembly as Bishop Paul turned 75 in July and will submit his resignation letter to the Pope. Recommendations from the Assembly can then be the agenda for a Synod, following the appointment of a new Bishop

Who will be at the Assembly? Clergy who serve their community, two delegates from each parish, representatives/delegates from diocesan commissions and committees, health services, aged care, DOBCEL and the education sector, Catholic organisations such St Vincent de Paul, Knights of the Southern Cross, CWL and religious orders.

What is the agenda of the Assembly? The agenda for Assembly is not set at this point. The focus of the Assembly is Leadership and Governance in a synodal Church. These formation sessions will develop the Assembly agenda.

