



MARK
BISHOP OF BALLARAT

DECREE

**Emmaus Catholic Parish
Colac, Lakes to Coast**

After consulting the priests and parishioners of the parishes involved, as well as the Council of Priests of the Diocese of Ballarat, by virtue of Canon 515 par. 2 of the Code of Canon Law, I decree that the Parishes of Colac, Cororooke and Apollo Bay will be dissolved to establish Emmaus Catholic Parish; Colac, Lakes to Coast. The newly established parish of Emmaus Catholic Parish; Colac, Lakes to Coast, will comprise the territory that currently belongs to the Parishes of Colac, Cororooke and Apollo Bay. This will take effect on 1 July 2026.

Given at Ballarat on 1 July 2026.



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Notary