



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 of Ordinary Time – 25th September 2022 Year C

Responsorial Psalm

Praise the Lord my soul!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
 Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
 to make you rich out of his poverty.
 Alleluia!

THIS WEEK

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 6:1.4-7. Timothy 6:11-16. Luke 16:19-31

NEXT WEEK

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hab '2-3;2:2-4. Tim 1:6-8.13-14. Luke 17:5-19

Deaths: Lorraine Mahoney, David Clancy (Beeac).

Anniversaries: Ed Carmody Snr., Nick Cheng, Ted Parker (30yrs), Cyril Moroney, Walter Macintyre, Stephen Xerri, Fr John Keane, Joan Heath, Ruth Doupe, Norma Henriksen, Dora Phillips, Don & Hugh Delahunty.

MASS TIMES - COLAC, CRESSY, BIRREGURRA.		
Tuesday	5.00pm	St Mary's- Colac
Wednesday	1.30pm	Requiem Mass Lorraine Mahoney 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 11.00am	St Mary's- Colac St Mary's- Colac
MASS TIMES OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA – APOLLO BAY BACK IN CHURCH: WEEKDAY MASS		
Tuesday		5.30pm
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday		10.00am
Sunday		11.00am
OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE		
Sunday		9.00am

Apollo Bay Rosary: Each Thursday 5.30pm -7 Scott Place A'Bay.

Lunch every 4th Sunday of the Month at the Apollo Bay Hotel at 12 pm. We will be joining in with the Anglican Church who currently meet for lunch every 4th Sunday of the month. Save this date: Sunday 30th September. RSVP: Sylvia 0488 007 377.

BAPTISM - WE WELCOME INTO OUR PARISH THIS WEEK: Oliver Glage, Maya Moss & Josie Moss.

Afternoon Tea – In Memory of Lex Garner:
 Celebrate his life over Afternoon Tea (Lakeview Café)
 23rd October 2.30pm to 4.30pm
 RSVP Kim 0417693170- by 5.10.2022.



BALLARAT DIOCESAN SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION:

Launch of Social Justice Statement: 2022-23
“RESPECT: CONFRONTING VIOLENCE AND ABUSE”.

Ballarat Diocesan Launch of the Social Justice Statement 2022-2023

Save the date for this free event –
Colac Parish Hub: October 1st
From 10am – 12noon

This is a unique opportunity to learn about this year's statement entitled “Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse.” Join a parish hub or attend online via zoom. There will be two guest speakers offering different understanding and viewpoints on this topic. Todd Sparkman, Senior Sergeant Victoria Police and Susan Muller, Family Safety Practitioner, Family Law Services, CatholicCare Victoria. Bookings are now open at trybooking

<https://www.trybooking.com/CCSWQ>



September 1 – October 4



SEASON OF CREATION

2022 Theme, “Listen to the Voice of Creation.”

CLICK LINK: [HERE](#) For Ballarat Diocesan Website

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Praise the Lord my soul!

Blessed is he who keeps faith forever,
secures justice for the oppressed,
gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets captives free.

The LORD gives sight to the blind;
the LORD raises up those who were bowed down.

The LORD loves the just;
the LORD protects strangers.

The fatherless and the widow he sustains,
but the way of the wicked he thwarts.

The LORD shall reign forever;
your God, O Zion, through all generations.

Praise the Lord my soul!

APOLLO BAY/ LORNE
First Collection
National Bank
BSB 083585
Acct 810967715

Second Collection
Westpac Bank
BSB 033600
Acct 2300



**Ballarat Clergy
Support Fund**
**Collection for Sick
and Retired Priests**
Place Envelope in Basket
located in 'Gathering Space.'
'With Appreciation for
Gifts so far'.

Prayer of Pope Francis for this Migrant and Refugee Sunday

Lord, make us bearers of hope, so that where there is darkness, your light may shine,
and where there is discouragement, confidence in the future may be reborn.

Lord, make us instruments of your justice, so that where there is exclusion, fraternity may flourish, and
where there is greed, a spirit of sharing may grow.

Lord, make us builders of your Kingdom, together with migrants and refugees and with all who dwell
on the peripheries.

Lord, let us learn how beautiful it is to live together as brothers and sisters. **Amen.**



24th September – Our Lady of Mercy Day

Mary then, is the one who has the deepest knowledge of the mystery of God's mercy. She knows its price: she knows how great it is. In this sense, we call her the Mother of Mercy: Our Lady of Mercy. – Pope John. Paul II
As many people around the world celebrate this special day, we extend blessings and prayers to the Sisters of Mercy.

ANNUAL REPORT 2022 / PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP

Dear Fr O'Toole,

We hope that you are keeping well. No doubt these Covid times have been a challenge to all parish communities, and we know from personal experience and from our more recent PFGM Cluster meetings with Parish Coordinators, that Sunday mass attendances have decreased. Simultaneously, however, we are pleased to report that our PFGM members have continued to support and meet with their Family Groups' members subject to Covid restrictions and their own sense of caution. Fortunately, this year, our Southern Team members have been able to meet with parish Coordinators personally or at Cluster meetings which is always beneficial and enjoyable.

We are grateful to the Colac FG Coordinators, Linda & Gary Morgan-Davis who encourage your parish's Family Group members to be 'A Family for All.'

Frances Sullivan for the PFGM southern Team

****COLAC PASSIONIST GROUPS: To celebrate their 30th Anniversary Sunday 23rd October at 9am Mass.**

CENTACARE (Family Counselling) St Mary's Presbytery Colac Appointments contact Wendy 5559 3006



*There is a welcome touch of Spring in the air. It's a good time for a deep breath or two,
a gentle stroll, some quiet —enough perhaps to attend to the silence.
Silence is an opportunity for God to cross our threshold. - Andrew Bullen SJ*