



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.

12th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 25th June 2023 – Year A

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, in your great love, answer me.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me,
 Says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

This Week's Readings

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:10-13 Rom: 5:12-15 Matt, 10:26-33

Next Week's Readings

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2Kg 4:8 11,14-16, Rom 6:3-4,8-11, Matt10:37-42

Deaths: Frank Gibson, Mary Dalton (formerly Beech Forest), Dawn Ritchie, Phyllis Mitchell, Marie Mugavin, Molly Veale (O'Dowd), Ted Oliver (Hamilton), Isabel Foreina Ruak & Doctor Luis Lovato, (East Timor).

Anniversaries: Rosie McCarthy, John Joseph Paatsch Jnr, Max Whelan, Bill Doran, Joanne Scanlan.

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 11.00am | St Mary's- Colac St Mary's- Colac |

RECONCILIATION: Each Friday after 10am Mass.
 Anytime by Appointment.

St Mary's: Holy Hour- Every 1st Tues of Month: 4-5pm

Rosary - each Friday: 9.30am St Mary's Church

MASS TIMES -OUR LADY /SEA – APOLLO BAY

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| Tuesday | 5.30pm |
| Wednesday, Thursday & Friday | 10.00am |
| Sunday | 11.00am |

OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE

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| Sunday | 9.00am |
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***CWL:** Tuesday 27th June for Afternoon Tea at 2pm
 Change Venue will be On the Lane.

***Parish Leadership Team:** Wednesday 28th June: 7.30pm

Congratulations: Baptism:

1. Henry & Tex O'Neil
2. Douglas Miller

FEAST DAYS: 28th June: *St Irenaeus*

29th June: *Sts. Peter & Paul*

SYMPATHY: *To Alison Burston on the death of her brother Frank Gibson.

To Mitchell family on the death of their Mother Phyllis.

KSC Colac will be celebrating their centenary this year with a display in the gathering space and 11.00am Mass on Sunday 2nd July. We will have lunch at the East Hotel at 1.00pm. Anyone wanting to join us for lunch will be most welcome. Please contact Bill van Engelen on 0347062981 so we can arrange catering.

Anam Cara Colac Community Appeal: If you'd like to donate to our Community Appeal, you can do so at

<https://www.givenow.com.au/anamcarahousecolac>.

Alternatively you can contact the office to donate via credit card, or post your cheque to PO Box 508, Colac

**Deacon George: Attending St Mary's Parish
 6pm Vigil Mass on the 8th July.**

Pope Francis ~ June Intention for Parishes

For the abolition of torture: – We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families. Lord, hear us.

TODAY'S ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE POPE June 24-25 2023



Dear Father, The Annual Collection for the Holy Father is to be taken up throughout the world on a weekend near the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul (June 29). I would be grateful if you could arrange for the collection to be taken up in your parish(es).

This weekend of June 24-25 I am aware of the many demands made on the people of our diocese through the year by way of appeals for financial support. However, this particular appeal does require special attention. Through this collection we have the opportunity to support the Pope's pastoral care for people around the world.

I commend the 2023 appeal to you and your parishioners.

Yours in Christ, **Paul Bird CSSR**

Bishop of Ballarat

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, in your great love, answer me.

For your sake I bear insult,
and shame covers my face.

I have become an outcast to my brothers,
a stranger to my mother's children,
Because zeal for your house consumes me,
and the insults of those who blaspheme you
fall upon me. **Response.**

I pray to you, O LORD,
for the time of your favor, O God!
In your great kindness answer me
with your constant help.

Answer me, O LORD, for bounteous is your kindness;
in your great mercy turn toward me. **Response..**

"See, you lowly ones, and be glad;
you who seek God, may your hearts revive!
For the LORD hears the poor,
and his own who are in bonds he spurns not.
Let the heavens and the earth praise him,
the seas and whatever moves in them!" **Response.**

APOLLO BAY & LORNE

FIRST COLLECTION:

BSB: 083585 ACCOUNT: 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:

Envelope no. / surname:

**Or phone the Parish
Office 5231 2177.**

St Vinnies, Colac were very grateful for the donations of food and other goods that they received from Sacred Heart School, St Mary's & Trinity College families. Once again, thank you to our kind and generous families for supporting the Sacred Heart St Vinnies Appeal, particularly during these tough economic times.



PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM: ST MARY'S COLAC
Weekly Envelopes for the new Financial Year 2023 / 2024

Are available in the Gathering Space:

Thank you to all who continue to support St Mary's Parish.
Perhaps a Reminder to 'some' to catchup on our commitments:

Summary of the 11th Month stage: 1st July 2022.

To May 2022: \$108,332.00 & To May 2023: \$98,223.00

Diocesan Levies Paid for Last Quarter:

- St Mary's Parish Account Total: \$7,917.60
- Presbytery Account Total: \$ 8,089.00



WORLD /REFUGEE DAY: Trinity College – Social Justice /Refugee Group host a Luncheon with guests including members of Colac Rural Australian for Refugees & College Leadership;



ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY ~ Annual Winter Appeal 2023

Whilst we are always grateful for any monetary help for this appeal this year our Colac Welfare Office is asking if you could Donate Food. **Fill A Bag for Vinnies:** Bags are supplied and we would be very grateful for any nonperishable foods that we can pass on to others. **Please leave donations at Vinnies shop or St Mary's Church.**

Vinnies Winter Appeal - The St Vincent de Paul Society's annual Winter Appeal will focus on the number of older women experiencing and at risk of homelessness. Vinnies are also experiencing an increase in the number of people seeking assistance for the first time. Donations can be made at

<https://www.vinnies.org.au/nswwinterwarmthappeal> on 13 18 12 - all Vinnies Shops. From \$2. are tax deductible.