



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.



15th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 14th July 2024 –Year B

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, show us your mercy and love,
 and grant us your salvation.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!
 May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten
 the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the
 hope to which we are called.
 Alleluia! Alleluia!

This Weeks Readings

15th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 Amos 7:12-15. Ephesians 1:3-14. Mark 6:7-13

Next Weeks Readings

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 Jeremiah 23:1-6. Ephesians 2:13-18. Mark 6:30-34

Planned Giving Envelopes - Available in Gathering Space.

Deaths: Leo Ferry, Bob Favorito, Margaret Hodge, Thomas Leckie, Loris Jones, Engracia Ilinot (7yrs East Timor),
Anniversaries: Lena Cass, Lex Garner, Chris Murray, Myles Turner, Bett McNamara, Tom Maxwell, Jim Mulheron,
 Patricia Lawton, Joan Parker.

| 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, Frid | 10am | |
| Sunday | 11.00am | |
| OUR LADY OF FATIMA – LORNE | | |
| Sunday | 9.00am | |

Memorial Mass: Tuesday 16th July 5pm.
 Noreen O'Connor' recently deceased mother
 of Joanne Robertson (Kevin).

Congratulations to this week Baptism:
 We welcome into our Parish this week:
St Mary's Colac - Oliver & Paige Richardson
Our Lady of Fatima Lorne- Aubriella Tulad.

St Peter's Birregurra – Congratulations to
Ella Gannon, Tessa McDonald &
Stella Lidgerwood making their
Reconciliation at Mass today.

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING: Thursday 18th July:
 5.30pm – in the Gathering Space (small meeting Room).

POPE FRANCIS - JULY PRAYER INTENTION:

Anointing Sick

"Let us pray, that the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick grant the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope."

***150th 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 30th. 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**

PLANNED GIVING: with appreciation to Parishioners:

- @ Who have joined the Program for the 1st time.
- @Parishioner who have made adjustments to their contribution.
- @Mandy in the Parish Office each morning (8.30-12.30pm) to answer any queries.
- @Enrolments Cards still available in the Gathering Space.

THIRD TERM: Best Wishes to Students, Teachers and Staff, families as the New Term begins this Monday after a needed 'Winter Break'.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.*

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace,
peace for his people.

His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land.
Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven.
The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps



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and grant us your salvation.*

APOLLO BAY & LORNE

FIRST COLLECTION

BSB: 083585 Acc: 810967715

SECOND COLLECTION

BSB: 033600 ACCOUNT: 230038

CENTACARE

Family Counsellor

Appointments Contact:

Wendy

5559 3006 OR

0409192480

FAMILY GROUPS

Crawford Family Group lunch

on Sunday 21st July at City
Bowls Club at 12 o'clock
contact - Catherine 0499022644

Croft Family Group

'Christmas in July' at Rice's
Christmas Kingdom 12 pm.
40 Lineens Rd, Coragulac. RSVP
0429 866 669.

GLEESON FAMILY GROUP

Casserole night Thursday

18th July at 6 pm

St Mary's Gathering

Space. Bring a casserole/ sweet
to share.

Contact Winsome 0427353203

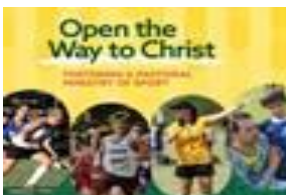
NEWS IN BRIEF I. **At least four killed in raid on Catholic school in Gaza**



The Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem has strongly condemned a raid launched by Israeli forces against its Holy Family School in Gaza City on Sunday morning which reportedly killed at least four people. The air strike targeted two classrooms on the

ground floor of the school number of displaced Palestinian families. The raid on the Catholic school came only hours after Israeli forces attacked an UN-run school Saturday, killing at least 16 people and injuring 75 sheltering there, according to Gaza authorities. Since the beginning of the war in the Gaza Strip after the October 7 Hamas rampage, thousands of Palestinians in the enclave have sought shelter in hospitals, schools and other civilian infrastructure. However, Israel accuses Hamas and other militants of hiding in these places. In its statement, the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem also condemned "in the strongest terms" the targeting of non-combatants, "or any belligerent actions that fall short of ensuring that civilians remain outside the combat scene". It said it continues to pray and hope "that the parties will reach an agreement that would put an immediate end to the horrifying bloodbath and humanitarian catastrophe in the region".

2A: Race is on to engage young Catholics during Paris Olympics: As the sporting world and fans await the opening ceremonies of the 2024 Paris Olympics and the Paralympic Games, eight Catholic dioceses in Greater Paris have already ignited their own Olympic flame by organising the "Holy Games". The project is a collaboration between the Archdiocese of Paris and the French Bishops Conference: The Olympic Games will take place in Paris from July 26 to August 11.



2B: The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has published a new document that explains how sport is a gift that can draw people closer to Christ. More information available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/sport-can-lead-the-way-to-christ/>

3: Indigenous faith community 'keeps the fire burning' It was standing room only at the Reconciliation Catholic Church in La Perouse for Mass on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday, marking the first NAIDOC week Parishes and schools across the country also celebrated the country's Indigenous peoples, cultures and traditions. In his homily Fr Frank Brennan SJ said that the "unfinished business" of constitutional recognition may now fall to the next generation to accomplish. "We're handing you the baton," he said, addressing the children in the church. "Now is the time for us all to reach out to our fellow Australians seeking truth, justice and reconciliation."

