



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 First nations Peoples of these lands, seas and waterway on which we gather. The First Nations peoples of these places were the first to dance stories and remember times of healing and hurt. We acknowledge the elders past and present, and future.

1st Sunday of Advent – 27th November 2022 Year A

Responsorial Psalm

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.



Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
 Lord, show us your mercy and love,
 and grant us your salvation.
 Alleluia!

THIS WEEK

1st Sunday of Advent - Year A

Isaiah 2:1-5. Romans 13:11-14. Matthew 24:37-44.

NEXT WEEK

2nd Sunday of Advent - Year A

Isaiah 11:1-10. Romans 15:4-9. Matthew 3:1-12.

Deaths: Sr Jennifer Collins I.B.V.M.(formerly Portland).Cliff Bauer, Rosa Salas, Rosemary Richens, Sandra McNamara (nee Smythe), Leo Dignan (Sale), Victims of Indonesian Earthquake.

Anniversaries: Jenny Paatsch, Anglo Cavalieri, Jillian Hannah, Bernie O'Shannassy, Jimmy Simpson,

MASS TIMES - COLAC, CRESSY, BIRREGURRA.		
Tuesday	5.00pm	St Mary's- Colac
Wednesday	10.00am	St Mary's- Colac
Thursday	10.00am	St Mary's- Colac
Friday	8.00am	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/ Anointing: Anytime by Appointment. Rosary: St Mary's Colac Each Friday – 9.30am		
MASS TIMES OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA – APOLLO BAY		
Sunday	11.00am	
OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE		
Sunday	9.00am	

Meetings This Week

Monday: 10am St Mary's Gathering Space "Christmas Dinner Preparations."

Tuesday CWL Christmas Lunch at East Hotel at Tues 29th November at 12 noon. Cost \$32.

Wednesday: Parish Leadership Team, 30th Nov 7.30pm

SYMPATHY TO: John & Joyce Salas, Malka & Mason on the death of John's mother: Rosa in the Philippines this week Memorial Mass: Today St Mary's at 11 am.

@REMEMBRANCE SERVICE: Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, Apollo Bay. Fri 3rd Dec 2022 Morning tea 10.30am.

@ A TIME TO REMEMBER: Colac Area Health Palliative Care: Monday 5th December 6pm St Mary's Church Colac.

BAPTISMS - Sat 11am Dodd Family /Sun 12.05pm Sam Gray & Frankie Theodore; Sun 1.00pm Jack Merrett & Sunday at 2pm – Remi Nivek.

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

Lunch on 4th Sun. of the Month - Apollo Bay Hotel.

EARLY NOTICE: Reconciliation Masses

Calac-St Marys' (all Masses) Dec 4/5

Birregurra Dec 11th

Lorne / Apollo Bay Dec 13th

St Brendan's Today 27th November.

**Knights of the Southern Cross Mass
 December 7th December St Mary's 7pm.**

Presentation to Michael McGannon
 on 60th Year Anniversary ~ Membership.
 Light Supper Provided ~ All Welcome.

ADVENT BOOKLETS "Incarnate" Advent &
 Christmas - daily Reflections 2022 - \$5.00 each
 Available in your Church Foyer.

Vinnes Christmas Appeal

Over the past 12 months the society has provided over \$11 million in material assistance including food, clothing, furniture and financial support to Victorian families in need. With the current cost of living crisis, the assistance we provide for the people experiencing hardship this Christmas will be needed more than ever. In Colac this year we are holding our annual Christmas Hammer Appeal. Parishioners are encouraged to donate non-perishable items of Christmas style Food: tinned ham, Christmas pudding, Christmas Cake, canned fruit, canned vegetables, shortbread and long-life custard are just a few suggestions. Items such as bon bons, serviettes and Christmas lollies would also add cheer to the tables of those in need. Donations can be placed under the Christmas Tree in the Gathering Space at St Marys church and will be distributed by our volunteer's prior to Christmas Day. Your generosity could make someone's Christmas a happier time so please consider supporting our efforts. Thank You.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

I rejoiced because they said to me,

"We will go up to the house of the LORD."

And now we have set foot within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem, built as a city with compact unity.

To it the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD.

According to the decree for Israel,

to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

In it are set up judgment seats, seats for the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!

May those who love you prosper!

May peace be within your walls, prosperity in your buildings.

Because of my brothers and friends I will say, "Peace be within you!" Because of the house of the LORD, our God,

I will pray for your good

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.



16 Trinity VCE Students that went on excursion to Palm Island. Top photo. Many Trinity College students with their new friends on Palm Island. Below Photo.



Synod of Bishops Continental Stage

The Church around the world has entered the Continental Stage for the Synod of Bishops on Synodality. Groups around the country are praying with and responding to the Document for the Continental Stage, which was published recently. Download prayer resources, including for use in liturgies, read the document and access the submission portal at www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch



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

Second Collection
Westpac Bank
BSB 033600
Acct 230038

Pope's intention for November:

For children who suffer:

Let us pray for children who are suffering, especially for those who are homeless, orphans and victims of war. May they be guaranteed access to education, and may they have the opportunity to experience family affection.

CENTACARE

FAMILY COUNSELLING

St Mary's Presbytery Colac
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Advance Notice

Rite of Election

2023: Saturday,
February 25, 2023 at
12.30pm at St Patrick's
Cathedral

Ballarat. Lunch will
follow in the Hall.

Mass of the Oils

2023: Monday, April 3,
2023 at St Patrick's
Cathedral Ballarat at
6.30pm. Supper will
follow in the Hall.



Croft Family Group – Christmas Cheer is here. It is time to celebrate the year that has been Bring along your take-away tea or some nibbles Share some hospitality and conversation. Friday December 2 at 6pm St Mary's gathering Space. All parishioners Welcome RSVP Linda 0448 314774
Gleeson Family Group Christmas Lunch at the Colac East Hotel Sunday 4th December at 12.30pm