



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.*

**13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time – 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023 – Year A**



**Responsorial Psalm**

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation; announce the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**This Week's Readings**

**13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Next Week's Readings**

**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Zechariah 9:9-10. Romans 8:9.11-13. Matthew 11:25-30

**Deaths:** Assunta Borgia, Leo Timms (Camperdown), John Robbins, Thomas Patrick Prior,

**Anniversaries:** Gerard O'Shea, Frank Paatsch, John Joseph Paatsch jnr, Joseph Menzies, Con McMaster, Henry Brown, Winifred Vawles, Lina Morrell, Joan Carney, Fr Pat Bohan.

**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	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 1<sup>st</sup> Tues of Month: 4-5pm**

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

**MASS TIMES -OUR LADY /SEA – APOLLO BAY**

**No weekday Masses in Apollo Bay unless specifically indicated**

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA - LORNE**

**Sunday 9.00am**

**Fr John Pothiyittel:** Will leave for his native: Kerala/India this Thursday. His 94year od sister is in Palliative Care at present. Whilst home he will also, with family, celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his father's death. Fr John will return early August.

**OUR INDIAN COMMUNITY:** Congratulations to them as a celebrate: July 3<sup>rd</sup> Feast of St Thomas the Apostle. St Thomas took the faith to India and we praise & thank God for 'the abundant harvest' of that 'planting the seed (of faith)' which now enriches Australia – the Ballarat Diocese & COLAC.

**FEAST DAYS: July 3<sup>rd</sup>: St Thomas the Apostle: Patron of Kerala India.'**



**KSC COLAC WILL BE CELEBRATING THEIR CENTENARY**

**Commencing with 11.00am Mass on Sunday 2nd July.**

There is a lunch at the East Hotel: 1.00pm. Anyone wanting to join us for lunch will be most welcome. Please contact Bill van Engelen on 0347062981 *There is a display - Gathering Space.*

Christian Ministers Association: Wed 5<sup>th</sup> July 1.30pm at Salvation Army New Centre

**Congratulations Baptism:** Austin James Carter, Courtney Morgan Carter, Thea Shae Carter.

**SYMPATHY: \*To the "Borgia Family" on the death of their mother Assunta.**

**\*To Doris Robbins&family on the death of her eldest son John.**

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

The South Sudanese Married Deacon will join us next Saturday Evening at the Vigil Mass: He will be accompanied by other Leaders of the South Sudanese Community. They will celebrate (Independence Day – July 9<sup>th</sup>) with the local South Sudanese Community. After the 6pm Mass – All Parishioners are invited to share "Dinner" in the Gathering Space. (Both South Sudanese & Australian Food).

**CRAWFORD FAMILY GROUP:** Lunch La Porchetta Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at 12.30pm: RSVP Mary 52312107.

**Diocese of Ballarat:** 'Mr Andrew Jirik, Diocesan Business Manager, has advised me he will conclude his time in this role on July 14<sup>th</sup>. On behalf of our diocesan community. I thank Andrew for the outstanding service he has given through the past 7 years as leader of the team in our diocesan Finance Office.' Bishop Paul Bird CSsR (Wed 28<sup>th</sup> June 2023).

**Birregurra Mass Next Sunday: 9am July 9<sup>th</sup> in the Birregurra Community Health Centre.**

Seven Children: celebrating their Confirmation & 1<sup>st</sup> Communion.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.*

The promises of the LORD I will sing forever,  
through all generations my mouth shall proclaim your  
faithfulness. For you have said, "My kindness is  
established forever;" in heaven you have  
confirmed your faithfulness. **Response**  
Blessed the people who know the joyful shout;  
in the light of your countenance, O LORD, they walk.  
At your name they rejoice all the day,  
and through your justice they are exalted. **Response**  
You are the splendour of their strength,  
and by your favour our horn is exalted.  
For to the LORD belongs our shield,  
and to the Holy One of Israel, our king. **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.**

### 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.](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 3250

### Pope Francis ~ July Intention for Parishes

For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may  
place the celebration of the  
Eucharist at the heart of their  
lives, transforming human  
relationships in a very deep  
way and opening to the  
encounter with God and all  
their brothers and sisters.

### Anglican Community:

Women Guild: "Bingo with  
Playing Cards" Wed 12th July  
1.30pm \$8 With afternoon  
tea. St Johns Hall:  
RSVP Carolyn 52312011

### PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM: ST MARY'S COLAC

**Weekly Envelopes for the new Financial Year 2023 / 2024 (Gathering Space).**

**Planned Giving Program Summary to 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023. Update next week.**

### BALLARAT DIOCESE: Celebrating 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:2024

*Here excerpts form Bishop Paul's Letter. It can also be accessed  
online. Also 'hardcopies' available in the Gathering Space.*

#### OUR DIOCESE TURNS 150

In March next year, our Diocese of Ballarat will turn 150.

It was on March 30, 1874, that Pope Pius the Ninth issued a decree that  
marked the beginning of the Ballarat Diocese. So, on March 30, 2024, we  
will be able to celebrate our 150th birthday!

The 150th anniversary will occur on March 30, which in 2024 happens to be  
Holy Saturday. This means that we will be able to mark the anniversary as  
we celebrate the Easter Vigil.

While we will be able to mark the 150th anniversary at Easter, we could  
celebrate the whole of 2024 as an anniversary year. I invite parishes to mark  
the 150th anniversary at Masses on the weekend of April 27-28, I invite  
schools to mark the anniversary during the week of April 29 to May 3. I  
hope to mark the anniversary year with a personal visit to each parish. I  
would love to celebrate the 150th anniversary year as bishop by visiting  
people throughout the diocese in the course of 2024.

Our 150th anniversary will be an opportunity for each community  
throughout our diocese to remember those who have gone before us,  
those who have laid the foundations of our parish and school communities  
and the social services and health care that are provided in our diocese  
today. **Bishop Paul Bird CSsR.** Full version of article: [CLICK HERE](#)



### 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.