



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.



Trinity Sunday – 26th May 2024 –Year B

Responsorial Psalm

Happy the People the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!
 Glory be to the Father, the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
 to God who is, who was and who is to come.
 Alleluia! Alleluia

This Weeks Readings

The Most Holy Trinity

Deut. 4:32-34.39-40. Romans 8:14-17. Matthew 28:16-20.

Next Weeks Readings

Body and Blood of Christ

Exodus 24:3-8. Hebrews 9:11-15. Mark 14:12-16.22-26

Deaths: Millicent Jenkins, Marie Joan Richardson, Donald 'Don' Arnott,

Anniversaries: Nancy May Boyd Farquhar, Anthony Virgona.

MASS TIMES - COLAC, CRESSY, BIRREGURRA.		
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
St Mary's: Holy Hour- 1st Tuesday of the month: 4-5pm Rosary - each Thursday: 9.30am St Mary's Church		
STAR OF THE SEA - APOLLO BAY		
Tuesday	5.30pm	
Wed, Thurs, Friday	10.00am	
Sunday	11.00am	
OUR LADY OF FATIMA – LORNE		
Sunday	9.00am	

50th Anniversary: @ "Parishioners, this weekend our Parish Priest Fr Michael marks his 50th year of dedicated service to the Church and our Diocese, as well as to our Parish of St Mary's. All parishioners are invited to bring a plate along to any of the 3 Masses and enjoy a cup of tea and each other's company to demonstrate our sincere thanks and deep respect for our Parish Priest, Fr Michael O'Toole." (Parish Leadership Team)

Dear Michael,
 This time next week you will be celebrating your Golden Jubilee of Priestly Ordination.
 Congratulations on this great anniversary.
 May the celebrations bring you joy.
 Thank you for your priestly ministry through the years.
 God bless you on May 24 and always.
 Fraternally, Bishop Paul Bird.



150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat

Diocesan 150th Bishop Paul will attend:

***St. Brendan's Cororooke**
May 26th Mass 10.30am.

FEAST DAYS

27th May: St Augustine of Canterbury
29th May: St (Pope) Paul VI
31st May: – Visitation of Mary
1st June: – St Justin

SYMPATHY TO: Max Arnott and family on the death of his father Don.

MASS COUNTS: 25th & 26th May & continues each weekend until the end of May. (We ask the counters at each Mass to count)

National Volunteer Week: May 20-26, 2024.

Each year, National Volunteer Week provides an opportunity to highlight the important role of volunteers in our community and invites people not currently volunteering to give it a go.

Congratulations: Colac Otway Shire:

Lyn Russell, Brian Menzies, Joseph Ames.

Prayer for Volunteers We pray for all those who volunteer in our parishes. May we value the many talents and gifts that God has given to these people. We thank them for generously offering their time to parish ministries. For all these gifts, given out of your love, we thank you, God of all goodness. Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Happy the People the Lord has chosen to be his own...

The word of the Lord is fruitful and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love.
By his word the heavens were made,
by the breath of his mouth all the stars.
He spoke; and they came to be.
He commanded; they sprang into being.
The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine.
Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.

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***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.**

***PWMU** – Ladies Guild (Presbyterian): 2pm Wednesday 29th May:
Guest Speaker from the Colac Otway Shire: Aged Care & Packages Entrance Fee: \$5 to support Christian Mission Work.



***National Reconciliation Week: May 27 – June 3:** NRW is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. Theme for 2024, “Now More Than Ever.”

***First World Children’s Day: May 25 & 26, 2024** Pope Francis has announced the celebration of the first World Children’s Day on May 25 & 26, 2024, “Like Jesus, we want to put children at the centre and care for them.” The day will seek to answer the question, “What kind of world do we wish to pass on to the children who are growing up?”

Prayer for World Children’s Day (taken from Pope Francis’ Message)

Come, Holy Spirit, show us your beauty, reflected in the faces of children all over the world.

Come, Jesus, you who make all things new, who are the way that leads us to the Father, come and remain with us always. Amen.

Bishop Paul – Writes To St Brendan’s Parish - Cororooke:

Maureen Finn - Catholic Parish of Cororooke

Dear Maureen, I would like to thank you for your commitment to the Parish of Cororooke as a member of the coordinating Parish Leadership Team and Moderator over recent years. Together the members of the Parish Leadership Team have continued to guide the parishioners and the parish under the community-led model. Your dedicated work as part of this team and as their leader is appreciated.

Thank you for providing pastoral leadership and care in the parish, for the skills and thoughtfulness you have brought to the role, and for significantly contributing to the ongoing faith life of the community.

May Christ continue to guide you in all you do.

Paul Bird CSsR **Bishop of Ballarat**

**** St Brendan’s Parish - Cororooke:** *The seven-person Parish Leadership Team includes Margaret Allan, Pat O’Shea, Michelle Gorwell, Jill O’Dowd, Delia Melville, Bronwyn Hickman and Lucy Darcy. I have appointed Lucy Darcy to be the Moderator for the Parish of Cororooke. Lucy’s role as Moderator will be for twelve months beginning on May 26, 2024 until May 26, 2025. Fr Michael O’Toole is the Supervising Priest overseeing the pastoral care of the Parish with the powers and faculties of a parish priest.*

APOLLO BAY & LORNE

FIRST COLLECTION

BSB: 083585 ACC: 810967715

SECOND COLLECTION

BSB: 033600 ACCOUNT: 230038

***CWL - Afternoon Tea at On The Lane Café will be on Wednesday 29th May at 2pm**

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DAY

***Croft Family Group –**

Dinner 7th June at 6pm at

St Mary’s Gathering Space.

- B.Y.O. Take Away Dinner.

Laudato Si’ Week: May 19-26, 2024, “Seeds of Hope”

Laudato Si’ Week is a celebration held annually in May to mark the anniversary of Pope Francis’ landmark encyclical on caring for creation.

St Joseph’s School

Reunion Class of 1975

Sunday 2nd June Between 1 & 5pm at

St Marys’ Church Foyer Bring a plate

to share with a cuppa. Contact:

Ann McCarthy 0402869243.

Phyllis McDonald 0400309878

