

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.

# 11th Sunday of Ordinary Time - 16th June 2024 - Year B

# ORDINARY TIME

#### Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is good to give thanks to you.

# **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia! Alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia! Alleluia

Deaths: Michael McGannon, Helen Watts (Cobden).

Anniversaries: Dan Monaghan, Francesco Zaia, Geraldine Finn.

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

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, Friday	10.00am	
Sunday	11.00am	
Our lady of Fatima – Lorne		
Sunday	9.00am	

Thank You: @ "I thank all who helped & continued to make my  $50^{TH}$  Anniversary of Ordination such a happy occasion.: And There's More!

**Lorne:** Light Supper: Friday 21st June at Church Unit.

**Apollo Bay:** Light Supper: Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June after 11am Mass (Gathering Space).

St Brendan's – Supper Sun. 23rd June after 5pm Mass.



SYMPATHY To: Claire McGannon and Family on the death of Michael this week. St Mary's Parish has been greatly enriched by Michael(&Claires) witness to faith & faith values for decades.

# This Weeks Readings

## 11th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 17:22-24. St Paul 5:6-10 Mark 4:26-34.

**Next Weeks Readings** 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Job 38:1,8-11. Cor 5:14-17 Mark 4:35-41

Vietnamese Community: Church Singing Practice Today: 16<sup>th</sup> June 4pm. (Practise for Singing at 11am Mass Sunday 23rd June.

# St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal

The theme of the appeal this year is the "Working Homeless", focussing on the emerging trend of people who are experiencing housing hardship and disadvantage despite being in employment. Please write your name and address if you require a receipt. All donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible. To donate online, go to www.vinnies.org.au or call 131812. Or Envelopes on Collection Plate.

# Timor Leste Encounter Tour



Palms Australia Join our small group Encounter tour to Timor-Leste from August 30 to September 11, 2024. To find out more information and register go to <a href="https://palms.org.au/encounters/">https://palms.org.au/encounters/</a>

# The Order of Australia Br Frank Gerard O'Shea, of

Christian Brothers Australia, for 'service to international social welfare', including as director of the Ruben Centre, Kenya, Edmund Rice Foundation, from 2010 to 2020, and since 2023. He also served in various teaching and development roles in Tonga (1982–1991), Tanzania (1995–2008) and South Sudan (2009–2010); co-founded Edmund Rice Camps in the early 1980s; and served as a teacher in Australia in the 1970s, including at Parade College in Bundoora.

**EARLY NOTICE** - Primary Schools Sacramental Parent Meeting 'Eucharist & Confirmation' Thursday 20th June, 4pm & 6pm – St Mary's Gathering Space.

#### RESPONSIORIAL PSALM

# The Lord is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praise to your name, Most High, To proclaim your kindness at dawn and your faithfulness throughout the night. The just one shall flourish like the palm tree, like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. They that are planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall bear fruit even in old age; vigorous and sturdy shall they be, Declaring how just is the LORD, my rock, in whom there is no wrong The Lord is good to give thanks to you.

\*150<sup>th</sup> 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. Colac Formation Day Schedule:

Begin with 10am Mass 1.00pm Lunch 3.00 pm Finish with prayer

\* Please RSVP Colac Parish by 22<sup>nd</sup> July12pm Parish Office 52312177

# National Refugee Week: June 17-23, 2024

In a world marked by displacement and the search For refuge, this year's Refugee Week theme



"Finding Freedom" – with a focus on family – encapsulates the profound journey of resilience, strength, and unity that defines the refugee experience. This Refugee Week, we aim to shed light on the transformative power of familial bonds as well as chosen bonds in the face of adversity and emphasise the crucial role families play in providing solace, support, and a sense of belonging to those forced to flee their homelands.

More information is available from the diocesan website <a href="https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/national-refugee-week-june-17-23-2024/">https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/national-refugee-week-june-17-23-2024/</a>

# APOLLO BAY & LORNE

**FIRST COLLECTION** 

BSB: 083585 Acc: 810967715

**SECOND COLLECTION**BSB: 033600 ACCOUNT: 230038

#### GLEESON FAMILY GROUP

Our next outing is our Winter
Celebration at Gleesons on
Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>June
6.30 to 7 pm start.
BYO Drinks, Meal Provided.
Please RSVP to Pat on
0413081617 by 19<sup>th</sup> Wednesday.

#### **CRAWFORD FAMILY GROUP**

Lunch at Culture Café 20<sup>th</sup> June at 12.30pm RSVP Mary 52312107

# Prayer for Refugee Week

Lord, no one is a stranger to you and no one is ever far from your loving care. *In your kindness watch over* refugees and asylum seekers, those separated from their loved ones, those who are lost, and those who have been exiled from their homes. Bring them safely to the place where they long to be, and help us always to show your kindness to strangers and those in need. Australian Catholic Social Justice Council

**New 'Planned Giving Program' to Commence I July 2024.** 

For many years, the Parish has been Budgeting on \$125,000. Annually. Our only source of income is Planned Giving Envelopes and Direct Debit. With a month to go we have received \$101,000. with appreciation. You may be able to catch us up.

You now may be able to commit to the New Financial Year 2024 -2025

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Address	
Phone Number	Would like to contribute to the Financial costs of St Mary's Parish
by: Envelop	es or Direct Debit (please circle one) Please place on the collection plate or post to
	ST MARY'S PARISH, PO BOX 310, COLAC 3250

\*ALSO, IF YOU REQUIRE TO CHANGE YOUR PLANNED GIVING PLEDGE FORMS ARE ON THE TABLE IN THE GATHERING SPACE.
YOU MAY TAKE ONE AND RETURN IN THE COMING WEEKS.