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# St Mary's Noticesheet

St Mary's Colac is a community of believers, who strive to bring Christ's good news to the people of Colac and district. Through service, caring and love we aim to create an environment of respect and understanding in which every one can grow. We acknowledge the Gulidjan, people, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years.

## Easter Sunday – 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021 –Year B



### Responsorial Psalm

*This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.*

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
 Christ has become our paschal sacrifice;  
 let us feast with joy in the Lord.  
 Alleluia! Alleluia!.

### THIS WEEK

#### Easter Sunday Year B

Acts 10:34-37-43. Colossians 3:1-4. John 20:1-9

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter Year B

Acts 4:32-35. John 5:1-6. John 20:19-31.

*\*Reminder to return you Project Compassion boxes.*

*Thank you for supporting Project Compassion this year.*

**Deaths:** Marie Fitzpatrick(Horsham), Ian Holt.

**Anniversaries:** Christine Sommerville, Bill Smith, Ray Everett, Paul Wheadon, Melissa Mae Murray, Helen Smith (nee Boyd), Bishop Mulkearns, Fr Tom Linane, Sr. Christina Watt, S.G.S. Br Kevin Tuck.

### MASS TIMES

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

### SACRAMENTAL OF RECONCILIATION

\*Each Friday after 10am Mass

\*\*Anytime by appointment

### CONGRATULATIONS TO EMIRCAN AKARSU

Who this weekend has celebrated his initiation, into the Church/Faith Community – with the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist. Emircan you are an inspiration to us! With appreciation to Members of the R.I.C.A. Team for their friendship, encouragement & faith-sharing with Emircan over these months. This mentoring will continue after Easter until the Feast of Pentecost.



### THIS WEEK NOTICES - MEETINGS

**FINANCE MEETING:** 'Gathering Space' Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> April 5.30pm

**Congratulations to:** Peter & April McArthur on the recent arrival of their daughter: Zoe Alexandra McArthur. Peter and April are particularly well known to the R.C.I.A. Team and 9am Mass Community. (Now in Business and living in Camperdown).

**Congratulations:** Dorothy and Stewart Reid celebrating 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary 3<sup>rd</sup> April.

**Appreciation:** Mr Peter Morgan wishes to share his Appreciation to all who came to his assistance last Sunday during the 9am Mass. Especially his thanks to Drs Anne McGuane & Michael Brownstein and to all parishioners who came to his aid in various ways. Peter plans to be at Mass this weekend!!!

**Easter Water:** For the blessing of our homes and cars, gardens and property – available to be taken home. Containers are provided.

**Appreciation:** To Betty (preparation) and all our Organists, Musicians, Cantors and Choir for their preparation and singing during Lent and the Holy Week Ceremonies.

### Student for the Priesthood:

**Matt Restall: 6<sup>th</sup> Year:** We thank him for his presence with us during Holy Week. Best Wishes and Prayerful support to Matt as he continues his journey to Priesthood.



### Catholic Care Family counselling

St Mary's Presbytery Colac

Contact :Wendy 0409 192 480.



## MEMORIAL MASS DR MIKE CONNOR

Welcome to Denise and family, also to wider members of family, work colleagues, friends & patients of Dr Mike. One year later we express thanks to God for Mike and Denise's 50 years of Service to the Beeac & Colac Communities. 'Let Your Light Shine'! Alleluia! (After I I am Mass friends welcome to join the family at Colac Lake View Café.)

### INSPIRATION FROM POPE FRANCIS

**(HOLY THURSDAY)** – In our hearts we must be certain, we must be sure that, when the Lord washes our feet, He washes us entirely, He purifies us, He lets us feel his love yet again ...I too need to be washed by the Lord... that I might become a better servant to you, a better slave at the service of the people, as Jesus was. (Homily at Mass of the Lord's supper).

**(GOOD FRIDAY)** Whatever weariness and pain we may experience in living the commandment of love and following the way of justice, the cross remains the source of our growth and sanctification.

**PRAYER FOR THE DAY** – God of power and might, great is your compassion and great is your power to save. Lifted up upon the cross Jesus our Saviour gathers all in his embrace. May we surrender our live-in freedom and love as your faithful followers. Amen.

**(EASTER SUNDAY)** Christ is risen! Let us repeat it with words, but above all by the witness of our lives. The happy news of the Resurrection should shine on our faces, in our feelings and attitude the way we treat others. We proclaim the Resurrection of Christ when his light illuminates the dark moments of our life and we can share that with others: when we know how to smile with those who smile and weep with those who weep; when we walk beside those who are sad and in danger of losing hope; when we recount our experience of faith with those who are searching for meaning and for happiness.

## St Joseph Prayer

### TO THE FATHER

Heavenly Father,

St Joseph set aside his own plans to embrace your dream for us. You invited his help in caring for Jesus your Son, our Saviour, and the Revealer of your wonderful love.

Enable us to live your loving plan and to reflect to the world the light of Christ.

*St Joseph, man of dreams and trusting steward, pray for us.*

### TO THE SON

Lord Jesus,

You grew in wisdom and maturity as you lived in the family of Nazareth in daily communion with St Joseph and Mary your mother. From St Joseph you learned the dignity of human work.

Give parents the wisdom to support their children and to guide them in the way and work of your Kingdom.

*St Joseph, faithful parent and diligent worker, pray for us.*

### TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Creator Spirit,

We see in St Joseph a tenderness and reverence for all your creation. We learn from him to approach others justly and tenderly, and to see our world as endowed with the glory of God.

Teach us to love one another and to be a humble service to all of creation, empowered by your life within us.

*St Joseph, wise protector and humble servant, pray for us.*

**Family Group: 'Kelly Group'** advise they will 'crease to operate'.

*Their last function: Mass 10am Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April offered for deceased members; recent and past. ('Cuppa' in Colac Lake Café).*

**GLEESON FAMILY GROUP** PLEASE NOTE. *Our visit to Daphne's Garden has been changed to SUNDAY APRIL 18th 2pm. at 345 Coragulac-Beeac Rd.*

**"However dark things are, goodness always re-emerges and spreads. Each day in our world beauty is born anew."**

- Pope Francis

**"Start by doing what is necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible."**

- St Francis of Assisi

**The Sacraments** are a privileged way in which nature is taken up by God to become a means of mediating supernatural life. Through our worship of God, we are invited to embrace the world on a different plane. Water, oil, fire and colours are taken up in all their symbolic power and incorporated in our act of praise. - *Laudato Si* (2015) 235