St Mary's Noticesheet



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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.

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time - 1st August 2021 - Year B

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

No one lives of bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia!

THIS WEEK

I8th Sunday of Ordinary Time
Exodus 16: 2-4, 12-15; Eph. 4:17, 20-21; Jn. 6: 24-35
Next Week's Readings:

St Mary of the Cross

Kings 17:8-16, Col 3:12-17; Matt. 6: 25-34

<u>Deaths:</u> Bob Finch, Grant Ralph, Br Ian Robertson, cfc; Maria Nguyen (Sydney: Andrea's Mum), <u>Anniversaries</u>: Ethel Dyer, Stacey Attwood, Darren Tait, Matt Finnigan, Antonietta Griful, Arthur Hammett, Fr Peter Creed, C.M., Len Moloney, Myles Turner, Maurice Ryan, Patrick Tibbitts, Claire Russell, Marinus Engels, Donny McCarthy, Sr Dorothy Finnigan, S.G.S., Fr Peter O'Shannassy,

MASS TIMES

Tuesday	5.00pm	St Mary's	
Wednesday	10.00am	St Mary's	
Thursday	10.00am	m St Mary's	
Friday	10.00am	St Mary's	
Saturday	6.00pm	St Mary's	
Sunday	9.00am	St Mary's	
Sunday	11.00am	St Mary's	
Sunday	9.00am	St Peter's Birregurra	

Reconciliation: Each Friday after 10am Mass. Anytime by appointment.

Next Sunday: 8th August Feast of St Mary MacKillop: (Available today:

@ \$35. "Mary MacKillop Rosary Beads.")

Congratulations to this weeks Baptisms We welcome into our Parish this weekend: Flynn Wagner, Evie, Wagner, Sydney Wagner, Clancey Wagner and Harvey Lamanna.

CATHOLICARE – FAMILY RELATIONSHIP COUNCELLOR WENDY GARNER - Mobile: 0409192480

Colac: St. Vincent de Paul: Winter Appeal -

Vinnies have placed Envelopes on the Church Pews for donations. These may be taken home: returned next week or to Parish or School Offices. Thanks to School Committees and Parishioners who have already contributed.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Confirmation and Ist Communion on I4th& I5th;2Ist /22nd & 28^h /29th August at the Vigil and I I am Masses.

"How they can learn from us with attention to the prayerfulness of our Mass; the warm greetings to each other; our listening and attending to the Word of God; our awareness of the gift of Eucharist. Yes, our example of Blessing ourselves with Holy Water, with our answering and singing, our genuine reflection, our warmth at the sign of peace, our respect to each other in the car park:" (M.O'T.)

*The Red Stole they receive and wear over these Sundays is a reminder to all the Parish Community that these young Candidates are to be blessed with God's Spirit,
Our friendship, support and interest confirm God's Spirit in them and for them.

Students preparing for the Sacraments of Confirmation and Ist Communion.

- Program to be collected from the Parish Office: 'Sacrament Program Dates:'
- *Presentation Mass: 31 July /I August.
- *Friday August 13th Preparation Day.
- * Celebrations Masses: August 14/15; 21/22;

28th/29 (Mass times: Vigil 6pm & Sunday I I am).

CRAWFORD FAMILY GROUP: Tuesday 10th Aug. 12 noon Café Nu Deli. RSVP: Catherine – 0499 022 644.

POPE FRANCIS AUGUST INTENTIONS:

The Church: Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

Refugee team a reminder human race is 'family'

The inclusion of a team of refugee athletes in the Tokyo Olympics sends a powerful message to the entire world regardless of win or lose, according to two United States Bishops. Source: Crux.

Behind Greece in the Olympics parade of nations on Friday was a team of athletes from 11 nations with allegiances to none, instead representing the 26.4 million refugees worldwide.



The Tokyo 2020 iteration of the Refugee Olympic Team (EOR) has 29 athletes, compared to 10 athletes at the Rio de Janeiro Games in 2016. They hail from: Afghanistan, Cameroon, Congo, Republic of Congo, Eritrea, Iran, Iraq, South Sudan, "It is a reminder to the world that the human race is in a sense a family; that we have a world community and a significant portion of our family has been displaced because of persecution or some other fear that they're undergoing," Kansas City-St Joseph Bishop James Johnston said. "It's something that awakens the heart and the conscience of everyone when you see that and especially in the setting of the Olympic Games."

Washington Auxiliary Bishop Mario Dorsonville called the athletes "role models" and "an inspiration for other youngsters to see:" for their athletic prowess in the face of such adversity.

Pope Francis: May Olympic Games be sign of hope during pandemic

VATICAN CITY -- As thousands of athletes gathered for the Summer Olympic Games in Tokyo, Pope Francis gave them his blessing and extended it to those organizing and supporting the events.

"In this time of pandemic, may these Games be a sign of hope, a sign of universal brotherhood marked by a healthy spirit of competition," he said July 25, after praying the Angelus at the Vatican. He also tweeted the same message that day with the hashtag "Tokyo2020." "God bless the organizers, the athletes and all those who collaborate for this great festival of sport," he said after the Angelus. More than 11,600 athletes from 205 national Olympic committee teams and the IOC Refugee Olympic Team were participating in more than 330 events in 33 different sports. The International Olympic Committee president, Thomas Bach, announced in 2015 that it would be creating a Refugee Olympic Team to take part in the games, starting with the Summer Games in Rio 2016. This year's Refugee Olympic Team was made up of 29 athletes from a dozen countries who have been living and training in host countries.

Plenary Council Prayer Campaign

A national campaign has been launched to support a prayerful build-up to the first assembly of the Plenary Council. The "Fan the Flame" campaign is offered as resources for individuals and groups of various sizes and contexts who are providing essential support by praying for the Council journey and specifically for the Council assemblies, including the members who will participate. Resources available from https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheflame/

PS: Re: Presbytery Account: The Finance Committee recommends that 'Direct Debit possibility be also made available to Parishioners. The Committee made mention of "Cash" not always carried in today's modern life – plus the mobility of today's society: **Presbytery Account Details: BSB:083585 ACC: 810967715 (ref name)** –

In the new	financial year 2021-2022: I would like to contribute by: Envelopes/ Direct Debit (Please circle one)							
To finance St Mary's Church Colac, St Peter's Church Birregurra, St Joseph's Church Cressy								
	and our wider Diocesan Church							
Name	<u> </u>							
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l	Please place on Collection Plate or post to St Mary's Parish PO BOX 310. COLAC 3250.							

SAINT MARY OF THE CROSS - 8 th August 2021 Year B(P=Pourer, S=Sick Minister)								
		6.00pm		9.00am		11.00am		
Ministers Of the	Т	A Harrington	Т	Jim Ryan	Т	M Rogers		
Eucharist		Nola McGuane		H Jones		B Scanlon		
Commentator		M McGuane		M Allison		Wayne O'Brien		
Reader		P Kennedy		Lance Ryan		M Arnott		
Offertory		T Wilkinson		L Morgan – Davis		L & M Leahy		
Projector		J Healey		A Picard-Drew		Pat Gleeson		