

## Acknowledgement of Country



At St. Brendan's we pay our respects to the traditional owners of the land, the Gulidjan people and pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging. We will respect the land, animals and waterways, from the roots of the earth to the tops of the trees. Through the example of our first Australians, we understand that if we look after the country, then the country will look after us.

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.  
By those who love her she is readily seen,  
and found by those who look for her.  
Quick to anticipate those who desire her,  
she makes herself known to them.  
Watch for her early and you will have no trouble;  
you will find her sitting at your gates.  
Even to think about her is understanding  
fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety  
will quickly leave you.  
She herself walks about looking for those  
who are worthy of her  
and graciously shows herself to them as they go,  
in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

#### Responsorial Psalm:

**R. For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.**

O God, you are my God, for you I long;  
for you my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for you  
like a dry, weary land without water.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary  
to see your strength and your glory.  
For your love is better than life,  
my lips will speak your praise.

So I will bless you all my life,  
in your name I will lift up my hands.  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
my mouth shall praise you with joy.

On my bed I remember you.  
On you I muse through the night  
for you have been my help;  
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

## Second reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them; to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

### **Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

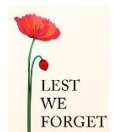
Stay awake and be ready! For you do not know on what day your Lord will come. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

### Gospel: 25:1-13

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

### Prayer for Remembrance Day – Saturday, November 11

Father of peace,  
we pray for those who have served to protect  
our great Southern Land we commend to your mercy  
those who died for our freedom;  
we pray for the safety of those who are  
currently serving in the defence forces;  
we pray for peace throughout the world.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Happy Birthday Keith

*32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2023*

*Welcome to the Parish  
of Cororooke...*

St Brendan's Coragulac

St Joseph's Pirron Yallock

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**Moderator:** Maureen Finn 0428329231

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**Supervising Priest:** Fr Michael O'Toole

**School Principal:** Leanne Eastman

**Parish Sec:** Gracesyn Perrett 52331464 **Child**

**Safety Officer:** Leanne Eastman

**St Brendan's: 9.30am Sunday/ 5pm  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday**

**St Joseph's: 10:30am Lay-led /  
Mass 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday**

**St Brendan's: 19<sup>th</sup> Nov Lay Led @ 9.30am**

**Communion Minister: L Darcy**

**Commentator: M Gorwell**

**Reader: B Allatt**

**Lay Leaders: A McCarthy & M McCarthy**

**St Joseph's: - 19<sup>th</sup> Nov Lay Led @ 10:30**

**Family: M & J Melville**

**Communion Minister: D Ryan**

**Lay Leaders: T Ryan & D Melville**

**ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES**

**St Brendan's: NOV: Ann & Liz**

**St Joseph's: NOV: McGuane**

**Counters: 19-26th Nov: N McKay**

**RECENTLY DECEASED: Frankie Boylan,  
Mick Malady (W'bool)**

**ANNIVERSARIES: Ron Blackburn, Vin Malone,  
Marj Hayden, Clare Ryan, Matt Finnigan, Sr Stella  
Gleeson SGS,**

***We keep in our thoughts and prayers  
all those who seek healing and  
wellness. May they feel valued and  
supported especially... Leah Spokes,  
Goldie Elsum, Kathleen O'Donnell, Lynda  
Newcomb.***

*I thought of you with love today*

*But that is nothing new.*

*I thought about you yesterday.*

*And days before that too.*

*I think of you in silence*

*I often speak your name.*

*Now all I have is memories.*

*And your picture in a frame.*

*Your memory is my keepsake.*

*With which I'll never part.*

*God has you in his keeping.*

*I have you in my heart.*



**Dates to Remember...**

**16<sup>th</sup> Nov: Mission Day @St Brendan's P.S. Cake Auction**

**29<sup>th</sup> Nov: PLT Meeting 5.15pm in hall followed by dinner  
@6pm at the Ti Tree**

**St Brendan's P.S. Mission Day 16th Nov**

**The school would welcome any donations of cakes,  
slices, baking of any sort for their annual auction. Any  
baking to, be delivered, to the hall by 9am, please.  
Thanks in advance for your support of this highly  
anticipated event!**

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat -  
Significant Catholic Person/People from your Parish**

In preparation for the Ballarat Diocese's 150 year  
Anniversary in 2024, the anniversary committee for the  
Mass of the Oils are searching for 1 or 2 significant  
Catholics from your parish for a display to be presented in  
the Hall after the Mass of the Oils on Monday, March 25,  
2024. This could be a well-known person who has  
achieved success in their chosen field or it could be  
someone who has left a legacy in your parish, as a  
benefactor, contributor or historian. Please contact PLT  
member with ideas.

**Prison Sunday – November 12, 2023**

An initiative of Pope Francis.

**Prayer for Prison Sunday**

*Let's think of our incarnated brothers and sisters,  
and let's think about the tenderness of God for them.  
and pray for them so that they may find,  
in that window of hope,  
a way out toward a better life. Pope Francis*

## Pope's intention for November – For the

**Pope:** We pray for the Holy Father. As he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit. Lord, hear us.



*Laudato Si'*



"The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change." LS #13

*reduce reuse recycle rethink repurpose*

## 2023 Season of Creation Prayer

*Creator of All, from your communion of love life sprung forth like a mighty river and the whole cosmos came into being. On this Earth of overflowing love, the Word was made flesh and went forth with the life-giving waters proclaiming peace and justice for all creation. You called human beings to till and keep your garden. You placed us into right relationship with each creature, but we failed to listen to the cries of the Earth and the cries of the most vulnerable. We broke with the flowing communion of love and sinned against you by not safeguarding the conditions for life. We lament the loss of our fellow species and their habitats, we grieve the loss of human cultures, along with the lives and livelihoods that have been displaced or perished,*

*and we ache at the sight of an economy of death, war and violence that we have inflicted on ourselves and on the Earth.*

*Open our ears to your creative, reconciling and sustaining Word that calls to us through the book of Scripture and the book of creation.*

*Bless us once again with your life-giving waters so that the Creator Spirit may let justice and peace flow in our hearts and overflow into all creation. Open our hearts to receive the living waters of God's justice and peace, and to share it with our suffering brothers and sisters, all creatures around us and all creation. Bless us to walk together with all people of good will so that the many streams of the living waters of God's justice and peace may become a mighty river all over the Earth. In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

## Making a Scene at Christmas

Over 500 Christmas Nativities from more than 60 countries will be displayed at the Bridge Mall Ballarat and at the Catholic Diocesan Archives from Tuesday, December 5 – Friday, December 22, 2023. You can see and smell real frankincense and myrrh; see coins minted around the time the census was called that brought Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem; see hand crafted cultural nativities from Australia, Africa, Asia, North & South America and Europe (and one that went to Antarctica); nativities that prize social justice and the environment. Schools can book for an educational experience. For more information on the Ballarat Bridge Mall display, please contact Fiona Tonkin [Fiona.tonkin@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:Fiona.tonkin@ballarat.catholic.org.au). Every one welcome. Entry is a gold coin donation.



## Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal

An estimated 1 million people have been displaced in Gaza with immediate food, shelter, health and psychosocial needs. "This is a period of incredible turmoil and sadness. The escalation of violence has only exacerbated needs for the people in Gaza and West Bank, who already live in dire conditions. We are working with our partners on the ground to provide comprehensive and critical support to over 17,000 families affected by this devastating conflict." Sally Thomas, Humanitarian Lead, Caritas Australia. With your support, there will be aid to help partners on the ground to assist people displaced and

affected by the current conflict. Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal -



scan or click the QR code.

### ***An Urgent Prayer for Peace***

*God of compassion, we turn to you with heavy hearts as we consider the needs of your family.*

*Israelis and Palestinians, we are all your people, each of us loved by You and called to live in peace and justice.*

*We lament the dreadful loss of life, destruction of property and loss of human dignity. We are pained, by so much suffering. We beg you to bring healing to this ancient place. Help your people find a way forward.*

*Enable everyone to look each other in the eye, and embrace each other as sisters and brothers, as they find your image in every face.*

*We ask that courage and grace will help create a wiser and more gentle future, where everyone has a home.*

*God of wisdom, come to our aid. Amen.*

### ***Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne "Proclaim23" - November 16-18, 2023***



Across three days, the Catholic Leadership Centre in East Melbourne will become a vibrant sojourn for all Catholics. Be inspired and formed for the task to share the Good News in your own local communities, whether it is your parish, school or organisation. There will be inspiring keynote speakers, moments to encounter Christ in prayer, worship and

fellowship, practical workshops to be equipped for mission and time to connect with like-minded disciples who want something more for their communities. Proclaim is an initiative of Proclaim: The Office for Mission Renewal, Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne and inspired by Take the Way of the Gospel. Scan or click the QR code for details regarding the program, workshops and keynote speakers.

### ***"Shining a Light" Evaluation Report Launch***



The "Shining A Light" program included a series of workshops held across the Diocese of Sale designed to assist the Catholic community to respond to and prevent domestic violence. CSSV, along with the Diocese of Sale, will launch the 'Shining A Light – Workshops about domestic violence' Evaluation Report on Friday, November 17, 2023 at the Teaching Centre, Sion House, 6 Witton Street, Warragul from 2.00pm - 3.00pm. Diocese of Sale Bishop Greg Bennet will be launching this report alongside the

Victorian Minister for the Prevention of Family Violence, Ms Vicki Ward. To assist with planning, please register your attendance via the QR code by 12.00noon on Wednesday, November 15, 2023.

