

## 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:**

The Law was given through Moses.

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. 'You shall have no gods except me. 'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. 'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it. 'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work on that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, not your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred. 'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you. 'You shall not kill. 'You shall not commit adultery. 'You shall not steal. 'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. 'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

#### **Responsorial Psalm:**

**Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.**

The law of the Lord is unspotted, converting souls: the testimony of the Lord is faithful, giving wisdom to little ones. R

The justices of the Lord are right, rejoicing hearts: the commandment of the Lord is lightsome, enlightening the eyes. R

The fear of the Lord is holy, enduring for ever and ever: the judgments of the Lord are true, justified in themselves .R

More to be desired than gold and many precious stones: and sweeter than honey and the honeycomb .R

#### **Second reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25**

We are preaching a crucified Christ, a scandal to many, but to those who have been called, the wisdom of God. While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.  
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#### **Gospel: John 2:13-25**

Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up. Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said. During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

*Second Sunday of Lent*  
*Welcome to the Parish*  
*of Cororooke...*

St Brendan's Coragulac

St Joseph's Pirron Yallock

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**Moderator:** Maureen Finn 0428329231

**Leadership Team:** Pat O'Shea, Jill O'Dowd,  
Michelle Gorwell, Marg Allan, Bronwyn  
Hickman & Delia Melville

**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: Lay Led @ 9.30 March 10th**

**Communion Minister:** L McGuane

**Commentator:** C Grist

**Reader:** A McCarthy

**Lay Leaders:** P O'Shea & L Darcy

**St Joseph's: - Mass @ 10.30 Lay Led**

**Family:** Sherman

**Communion Minister:** Sherman

**Lay Leaders:** Whytcross

**ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES**

*St Brendan's: March - B Newcombe & J Robb*

*St Joseph's: March - Bronwyn*

**Counters:** 3<sup>rd</sup> March: J Finlay

**RECENTLY DECEASED:**

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Stephan Darcy, John Donovan,  
Brian Donovan, Ted McGuane, Ed Finlay, Bernie  
Russell, Isobel Holland, Dorothy Bourk, Jack  
Convery.

***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, Helen McCormick,

Kerry Kervin

*Pope's intention for March: -for new martyrs: Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive. Lord, hear us.*

**Dates to Remember...**

19<sup>th</sup> March: Reconciliation @ 6.00pm

25<sup>th</sup> March: Mass of the Oils Ballarat 11.30am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

We pray for Archie & Jerry Robb, Liam Wilson, Brennan, Eden & Ivy Robb, Caleb & Jordy Price & Rebekah Chant as they begin preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

'**The St Brendan's Family**' an opportunity to donate to a fund to support any local families in need of financial support in the education of their children.

There will be a box in the back of the church for donations.

*Book Club- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm*  
*In the hall. Lola in the Mirror*

**PROJECT COMPASSION: 2024**

Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for Leaia and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations.

**Visit [Caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://Caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or Ph 1800024413**

**MASS OF THE OILS - BALLARAT- BUS**

*150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat St Brendan's are running a bus to Ballarat for the Mass of the Oils. It will leave St Brendan's car park 25/03 at 9.15am and will be back at 3.20pm*  
*If you are interested, please contact Liz 0427041072*

## **PRAYER FOR THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIOCESE OF BALLARAT**

Blessed are you, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have received all the gifts we enjoy. As we mark the 150th anniversary of our Diocese of Ballarat, we give thanks for the blessings bestowed upon us. We recognise the communities who have lived on this land from ancient times. We honour the Aboriginal peoples, here for tens of thousands of years. We honour those who came from overseas and settled here before our diocese began. Yet our anniversary shines a special light on our years as the Diocese of Ballarat, a community of communities from the Murray to the sea. We remember those who have gone before us, those who laid the foundations of our parish and school communities and our social services and health care. We acknowledge the strengths and weaknesses of our history. We celebrate the achievements and we ask pardon for the failures to live our Christian faith to the full. All: May this anniversary year be a season of renewal for our diocese. Inspired by the Gospel and nourished in the Eucharist, may we follow the example of Jesus and the guidance of your Holy Spirit. May we reach out in humble service, welcoming all and caring for all creation. May we grow in love day by day. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of Perpetual Help. Pray for us. Saint Patrick. Pray for us. Saint Mary MacKillop. Pray for us.

The Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) is a new initiative to offer adult religious education and faith formation anytime and anywhere, online. This low-cost (\$50usd) online study and formation for employed or volunteer lay workers in parishes is available through our partner, Dayton University. **Registrations are open now for the next Cycle for 2024 which begins March 4. This is a short Cycle run over 3 weeks.** There are 20 subjects to choose from – find one that interests you! Scan the QR code for more information or email [djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:djurджа.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or ph. 5337 7121.

## **OTHER NOTICES**

*CSSV Conference 2024 – February 21-23, 2024*  
Catholic Social Services Australia and Catholic Social Services Victoria are pleased to present the 2024 Catholic Social Services National Conference. This Conference aims to strengthen



and advance the shared work in Catholic social services as part of the social mission of the Church – connecting with colleagues across social services, health, parishes and education. It provides a moment to share expertise, and take pause to think and imagine our place within a broader mission. You might be a youth worker. An executive director. A volunteer. A pastoral associate. A graduate social worker. A retired Religious. A governance professional. A seasoned veteran of social justice. Whoever you are and what role you play – if you want to be inspired, challenged, and be part of values-driven sector committed to nothing less than positive social transformation – this conference is for you. Scan or click the QR code for more information.

### *CSSV Mission Inspired Leadership Program 2024*



There are still some places available for the Mission Inspired Leadership Program 2024. This four-part online program is open to organisational leaders, board members and expert practitioners and is designed to equip participants with the conceptual tools and approaches they need to deliver social impact and thrive sustainably for the common good. The program will be held over four sessions: March 21, April 18, May 23, June 20, 2024 from 4.00pm – 6.00pm. Cost of the program – CSSV Members: \$320, Non-members: \$400. Scan or click the QR code for more information.

