

## 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:** Genesis 9:8-15

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: nothing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

### **Responsorial Psalm:**

**R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.**

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:  
for you are God my saviour. R.

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. R.

The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray,  
he guides the humble in the right path;  
he teaches his way to the poor. R.

**Second reading:** 1 Peter 3:18-22

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

### **Gospel Acclamation:**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!** No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

**Gospel:** Mark 1:29-39

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

### **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 at 9.15am and will be back at 3.20pm*

*If you are interested please contact Liz  
0270412072*

### **Dates to Remember...**

14<sup>th</sup> Feb: Ash Wednesday Mass@ 12.05  
PLT Meeting 5.00pm

15<sup>th</sup> Feb: St Brendan's Opening of the School Year  
Liturgy 9.15am ALL WELCOME

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

'**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.

**6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ORD TIME**  
**World Day of Prayer for the Sick**  
**Welcome to the Parish**  
**of Cororooke...**

St Brendan's Coragulac  
St Joseph's Pirron Yallock  
727 Corangamite Lake Road  
Coragulac, VIC 3249 Email:  
cororooke@ballarat.catholic.org.au

**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: 18<sup>th</sup> Feb: Lay Led @ 9.30 am**  
**Communion Minister:** Lucy  
**Commentator:** P O'Shea  
**Reader:** M O'Shea  
**Lay Leaders:** L McGuane & A Ruddell

**St Joseph's:- 18<sup>th</sup> Feb: Lay Led @ 10.30am**  
**Family:** Mulheron  
**Communion Minister:** P Mulheron  
**Lay Leaders:** B & R Whytcross

**ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES**

***St Brendan's: February - Jill & Heather***  
***St Joseph's: February - Ros***

**Counters: 11<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> Feb: N McKay**

**RECENTLY DECEASED: David Matthews,  
Kara Stewart, Brian Davison**

**ANNIVERSARIES: Paul Ferguson, Barbara &  
Kevin Meehan, Clifford Olney, Dorothy McEwan,  
Michelle Gooden, Fr Brian Russell, Kevin Hickey,  
Frank Page Snr**

***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 February: – For the  
terminally ill: Let us pray that the sick who are in  
the final stages of life, and their families, receive the  
necessary medical and human care and  
accompaniment.***

***Mass of the Oils 2024 & 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the  
Diocese of Ballarat***

The Mass of the Oils this year will incorporate  
acknowledgement of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the  
Diocese of Ballarat and will be held on Monday,  
March 25, 2024 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat at  
11.30am (please note change of time). Lunch and  
displays will follow in the Hall. At the Mass we are  
inviting 1 – 2 volunteers from each parish to present  
a symbol or photo that best represents their parish.

**Sacramental Program:**

***We are offering the Sacraments of  
Reconciliation, Eucharist and  
Confirmation in 2024. Please contact Liz  
McGuane 0427041072 if you are interested  
or have any questions.***

**World Day of the Sick**

There are some media resources available for World  
Day of the Sick – Sunday, February 11, 2024  
at <https://www.popesprayer.va/>.

**Baptism...**

***We welcome Connell James Middleton, son of  
Kerryn O'Sullivan & Calum Middleton who was  
baptised yesterday. May God's blessings be on  
Connell and his family always***

**Project Compassion Sunday - February 11, 2024**

Caritas Australia, the international aid and  
development agency of the Catholic Church in  
Australia, launch Project Compassion 2024. As  
many of you know, Caritas works with people living  
in the most vulnerable situations around the world  
and helps those living in poverty regardless of their  
ethnicity, religion or political beliefs. Project  
Compassion is Caritas Australia's annual Lenten  
fundraising and awareness-raising appeal. During  
the six weeks of Project Compassion, millions of  
Australians unite to help end poverty, promote  
justice and uphold dignity. This year, Caritas  
Australia celebrates 60 years of service. If you  
would like a commissioning prayer for any Parish  
members or schools heading up your Project  
Compassion Appeal, please contact Jillian Hogbin  
at [caritas@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:caritas@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

## ***Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – Online Study***

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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.



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.

## **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***