

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

23rd February 2025



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD:

First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,11-13,22-23

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph.

In the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul lying asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt? The Lord forbid that I should raise my hand against the Lord's anointed! But now take the spear beside his head and the pitcher of water and let us go away.' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. He called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful.

**My soul, give thanks to the Lord
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. R**

**It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. R**

**The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.**

**He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults. R**

**As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.**

**As a father has compassion on his sons,
the Lord has pity on those who fear him. R**

Second reading: Corinthians 15: 45-49

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment;

love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.

'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

Welcome to the Parish of Cororooke.

St Brendan's Coragulac
St Joseph's Pirron Yallock

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Moderator: Lucy Darcy
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St Brendan's 1st, 2nd 3rd & 5th
Sundays :Lay Led @ 9.30am 4th
Sundays Mass @ 5.00pm with Fr Andrew

St Joseph's: Mass 1st Sunday of Month
@ 10.30 am with Fr Kevin

St Brendan's: 2 March Lay Led@9:30

Communion Minister : M Finn
Commentator: M O'Shea
Reader: B Allett
Leaders: McCarthy/M McCarthy

St Joseph's: Mass@10:30

Family: Hickman
Minister: J Sherman

ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES

St Brendan's: FEB: J O'Dowd/H Holland
St Joseph's: FEB: Hickman

Counters: 23rd – 2nd March – Lucy

RECENTLY DECEASED: Betty Rodgers

ANNIVERSARIES: Ron McKay, Gerard
O'Donnell, Nelson Reynolds, Barbara Mulvaney, Jim
Delorenzo

*We keep in our thoughts and prayers all
those who seek healing and wellness. May
they feel valued and supported especially...*
**Kathleen O'Donnell, Helen McCormick,
Kerryn Williams, Claire Ryan**

**Pope's Prayer for February - for vocations to the
priesthood and religious life:** Let us pray that
the ecclesial community might welcome the
desires and doubts of those young people who
feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the
priesthood and religious life.

Free weekly resource from the Carmelites of
Australia and Timor- Leste , can be found at,
communications@carmelites.org.au
Contains reflections on the Gospel.

Upcoming Dates:

Book Club: Things Left Unsaid, by Tracey Lien
Meeting 24TH March@6:30, in the school office.

Dates of Parish Leadership Team Meeting:
Tuesday, 25 March 2025 at 5.00pm

Tuesday, 6 May 2025 at 5.00pm

Ash Wednesday Mass: A Mass will be held at St
Brendan's Church on Wednesday, 5 March at
6.00pm.

Parish into The Future

*We are on the journey of looking at how the
Parish will operate now and into the future.
Fr Andrew has, after discussions with Colac
Birregurra and ourselves, put forward the
following Mass times.*

1st Sunday, St Joseph's , Pirron Yallock 9am

2nd Sunday St Peter's, Birregurra 9am

3rd Sunday Our Lady of Fatima, Lorne 9am

4th Sunday St Brendan's, Coragulac 9am

*Colac 6pm Saturday and 11pm Sunday
Masses to continue*



To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

Pope Francis

Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

- Pope Francis has declared a Jubilee Year of Hope in 2025, centred on the theme, “Pilgrims of Hope.” A Jubilee is a special year of grace and conversion, involving prayer, pilgrimage and sacramental repentance, held every 25 years, or during other years as called for by the Pope. Through a series of concrete rituals, acts and commitments, the goal of a Jubilee year is to inspire and encourage holiness of life among the faithful and therefore to strengthen the Church’s witness to God’s loving mercy in and for the world.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth,

when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.