

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent*  
5<sup>th</sup> March 2023

**THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**First Reading: Gn 12:1-4a**

The LORD said to Abram:

"Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk  
and from your father's house to a land that I will show  
you.

"I will make of you a great nation,  
and I will bless you;

I will make your name great,  
so that you will be a blessing.

I will bless those who bless you  
and curse those who curse you.

All the communities of the earth  
shall find blessing in you."

Abram went as the LORD directed him.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**R Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust  
in you.**

Upright is the word of the LORD,  
and all his works are trustworthy.

He loves justice and right;  
of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

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See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him,  
upon those who hope for his kindness,  
To deliver them from death  
and preserve them in spite of famine.

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Our soul waits for the LORD,  
who is our help and our shield.  
May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us  
who have put our hope in you.

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**Second reading: 2 Tm 1:8b-10**

Beloved: Bear your share of hardship for the gospel  
with the strength that comes from God.

He saved us and called us to a holy life,  
not according to our works but according to his own  
design and the grace bestowed on us in Christ Jesus  
before time began, but now made manifest  
through the appearance of our saviour Christ Jesus,  
who destroyed death and brought life and immortality  
to light through the gospel.

**Verse Before the Gospel:**

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:  
This is my beloved Son, hear him.

**GOSPEL: Mt 17:1-9**

Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother,  
and led them up a high mountain by themselves.  
And he was transfigured before them;

his face shone like the sun

and his clothes became white as light.

And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them,  
conversing with him.

Then Peter said to Jesus in reply,

"Lord, it is good that we are here.

If you wish, I will make three tents here,  
one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."

While he was still speaking, behold,

a bright cloud cast a shadow over them,

then from the cloud came a voice that said,

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;  
listen to him."

When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate  
and were very much afraid.

But Jesus came and touched them, saying,

"Rise, and do not be afraid."

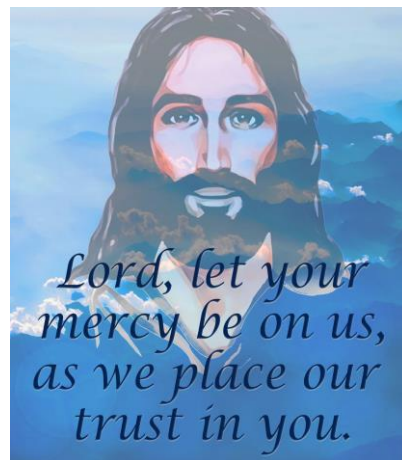
And when the disciples raised their eyes,  
they saw no one else but Jesus alone.

As they were coming down from the mountain,

Jesus charged them,

"Do not tell the vision to anyone

until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."



# 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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**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: MASS 12th Mar@11

**Communion Minister:**

**Commentator:**

**Reader: M O'Shea**

**Leaders:**

## St Joseph's: 12th Mar@10:30

**Family: Sherman**

**Minister: J Sherman**

**Lay Leaders: A Convery/L Darcy**

## ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES

*St Brendan's: March: Newcombe/Robb*

*St Joseph's: March: Whytcross*

**Counters: Mar: 6/13: N McKay**

## RECENTLY DECEASED:

**ANNIVERSARIES: Jim Delorenzo, Stephen Darcy,  
Brian Donovan, Ted McGuane, John G Donovan,  
Ed Finlay, Bernie Russell, Isabel Holland.**

*We keep in our thoughts and prayers all those,  
who seek healing and wellness. May they feel  
valued and supported especially...*

*Leah Spokes, Geraldine Finn, Goldie Elsum,  
Leo Embrey, Kathleen O'Donnell*



**Pope's intention for March** - - For victims of abuse: We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church. May they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

## Dates to Remember:

**Project Compassion:** Thu lost his leg after stepping on a land mine in Vietnam. With the support of the Centre for Sustainable Rural Development, Thu can now earn extra income and care for his wife as she recovers from a stroke. Donate through the P.C boxes and envelopes or by visiting [www.caritas.org/project-compassion](http://www.caritas.org/project-compassion) Or ph 1800 024 413

Fr Jim McKay has offered to say Mass at St Brendan's on the 12<sup>th</sup> March @11. Hopefully this will suit our parishioners.  
**Please note altered roster.**

## St Brendan's Community Book Club

The book club is up and running. The first book is "I'll Leave You With This" by Kylie Ladd

The Colac Library has copies on order and Target have them for \$16.

The first meeting is 3<sup>rd</sup> April @7:30, in the school hall. We hope the Book Club will be a great chance for school and community members to socialise and have interesting book discussions twice a term.

All we need is YOU! All welcome. Please contact Gracesyn 52331464, if you still wish to join us.



## MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE.

Just a reminder of this service, that is available and currently under used. The bus comes fortnightly on a Wednesday 10-11:30. Where? St Brendan's carpark. Next dates are: 8/3, 22/3

### Mission: Change their lives ... and yours.

Communities in Africa, Asia or the Pacific are seeking Australians from a variety of professions and trades to share their skills with those who have less opportunity to develop their talents.

Explore 35 positions on our website you can also see news including stories from those currently supported in Timor-Leste, Samoa, American Samoa and Thailand.

Please enquire further about potential assignments for you or someone you know: RING: 02 9560 533 or 0422 472 567.  
WEB: [www.palms.org.au](http://www.palms.org.au)

## BULLETIN NOTICES

### Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine.  
We pray for peace and the  
laying down of weapons.  
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,  
That your Spirit of comfort would  
draw near to them.  
We pray for those with power of war or peace,  
for wisdom, discernment and compassion  
to guide their decisions.  
Above all, we pray for all your  
precious children, at risk and in fear,  
that you would hold and protect them.  
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince  
of Peace. Amen

### *Groups invited to prepare for next phase of Synod on Synodality*

The National Centre for Pastoral Research is inviting groups of seven to 10 people to express their interest in participating in the next round of consultation for the global Synod of Bishops on Synodality. Groups – using the working document and assisted by a reflection guide being produced by the national Synod of Bishops committee to support prayer, discernment and response – will be able to gather and share their feedback through an online portal. People wishing to coordinate groups for discernment on the Document for the Continental Stage should email the NCPR's Stephen Reid ([stephen.reid@catholic.org.au](mailto:stephen.reid@catholic.org.au)) to express interest in coordinating a group that meets the following criteria:

- Groups should be comprised of a mix of clergy, laity and religious.
- Group members are expected to be aware of Church matters at the diocesan and national level.
- Group members should be able to read and reflect prayerfully on the document and have experience doing so with similar documents.

### *Caritas Australia Prayer for International Women's Day – March 8, 2023*

God, whose love and goodness gathers us in:  
we pray for women all over the world,  
especially those challenged by poverty and other injustice.

Stir us to know women's dignity.

Quieten us to listen to women's voices.

Awaken us to see women's realities.

Strengthen us to stand for women's rights.

Fill us with hope to make a better future together. Amen.

### *Vinnies (Victoria) Back to School Appeal*

More than 1 million Victorian students headed back to – or started – school this year. For a rising number of their families, it's getting harder to find the funds to ensure that their children have everything they need in order to learn and grow. The Vinnies Education (Back-to-School) Appeal – which launched on February 1 – is needed now more than ever. To donate go to <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/back-to-school-appeal-vic-2023>

### *ACRATH: Take the bitterness out of chocolate*

Easter chocolate is already on the supermarket shelves, so let's recommit to using our chocolate dollars to buy slavery-free chocolate this year. It's also the right time to tell our families, friends and communities about the exploitation of children in chocolate production. Encourage them to start buying slavery-free chocolate now – and to keep going after Easter. You can find the Be Slavery Free Chocolate Scorecard at <https://www.beslaveryfree.com/chocolate>. The scorecard published in 2022 and updated before Easter, features most of your favourite brands and explains how they rate in several key areas child labour, payment of a living income.

