

3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

23rd April 2023

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Acts 2:14,22-33

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: ‘Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always,
for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me.
So my heart was glad
and my tongue cried out with joy;
my body, too, will rest in the hope
that you will not abandon my soul to Hades
nor allow your holy one to experience corruption.
You have made known the way of life to me,
you will fill me with gladness through your presence.
‘Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself
is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he
was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath
to make one of his descendants succeed him on the
throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the
resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was
not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not
experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life,
and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the
heights by God’s right hand, he has received from the
Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you
see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.’

Responsorial Psalm:

Show us, Lord, the path of life.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

I say to the Lord: ‘You are my God.

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.’

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.

I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.

For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay.

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever.

Second reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason – so that you would have faith and hope in God.

Verse Before the Gospel:

Alleluia, alleluia.

**Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us;
make our hearts burn while you speak to us.**
Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-35

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, ‘What matters are you discussing as you walk along?’ They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, ‘You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.’ ‘What things?’ he asked. ‘All about Jesus of Nazareth’ they answered ‘who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.’

Then he said to them, ‘You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?’ Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. ‘It is nearly evening’ they said ‘and the day is almost over.’ So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, ‘Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?’

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, ‘Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.’ Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.



Welcome to the Parish of Cororooke...

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**St Brendan's: 9.30am Sunday/
5pm 4th Sunday**
**St Joseph's: 10:30am Lay-led /
Mass 1st Sunday**

St Brendan's: 30th April Lay Led @ 9.30am

Communion Minister: L McGuane

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Reader: M O'Shea

St Joseph's: 30th April Lay Led @ 10.30am

Family: Sherman

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ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES

St Brendan's: April: Marg Allan & Dani Allan

May: J Holland & H Holland

St Joseph's: April: J & M Melville

May A Convery & A Osborne

Counters: April 17-24th: J Miller

May 1-8th: P O'Shea

RECENTLY DECEASED: Trish Leahy,

Fr Bob McGuire

**ANNIVERSARIES: Pauline Goonan, Molly
Morrissy, Tom Page, Jack Harney, Sr Louise
Carmody, Mary (Cos) Roache, Des Mahoney,
Winnie Newcombe**

*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, Lynda Newcombe*

Pope's intention for April - For a culture of peace and non violence: **We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.**

Engaging Your Faith online series

"Engaging Your Faith" is a series of short, online presentations that invite participants to reflect on what it means to be people of faith in the contemporary world. Experienced lecturers from Catholic Theological College present on a variety of topics including Philosophy, Lumen Gentium, Spirituality, Biblical Studies, Christian Meditation, Theology, Interfaith Relations, Future Technology, and Science and Religion. These sessions are eligible for maintaining accreditation for teaching in Catholic schools in all Victorian dioceses. Cost is \$25.00 per session or \$40.00 per session for teachers seeking accreditation. More information available at <https://ctc.edu.au/news-and-events/engaging-your-faith/>

***Congratulations to Heather and Don
Holland on celebrating their 60th Wedding
Anniversary. Wishing you both continuing
health and happiness.***

Parish Leadership Meeting:

Wednesday 10th May @ 5pm

Mass Counts: There will be mass counts held in each of the week of May at both Churches

St Brendan's Community Book Club

Our first meeting was a great success!

If you have been thinking about joining us we can't encourage you enough.

Our new book is 'Educated' by Tara Westover.

The Colac Library has copies, or you can purchase online at Booktopia.

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