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!

<u>Gospel:</u> Mark 1:12-15 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

150th Anniversary of the Diocese of BallaratSt 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 0427041072

Dates to Remember... 25th 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.

Book Club- Tuesday 12th March 7.30pm In the hall. Lola in the Mirror

First Sunday of Lent <u>*Welcome to the Parish*</u>

of Cororooke...

St Brendan's Coragulac

St Joseph's Pirron Yallock

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St Brendan's: 9.30am Sunday/

5pm 4th Sunday

St Joseph's: 10:30am Lay-led / Mass 1st Sunday

<u>St Brendan's: 25th Feb: Mass @ 5pm</u> Communion Minister: Commentator: M Gorwell Reader: B Allatt Lay Leaders:

<u>St Joseph's:- No service Mass at St Brendan's</u> Family: Communion Minister: Lay Leaders:

<u>ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES</u> St Brendan's: March – B Newcombe & J Robb

St Joseph's: March - Bronswyn

Counters: 25th Feb – 3rd March: J Finlay

<u>RECENTLY DECEASED</u>: Shane Rhul

ANNIVERSARIES: Ambrose McNamara

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 & 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat

The Mass of the Oils this year will incorporate acknowledgement of the 150^{th} 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.

Congratulations & Best Wishes to Sr Helen Ryan SGS (Formerly of Larpent Road Ryans) who will celebrate her 100th Birthday this weekend. Thinking of her and the contribution her family made to the life of our parish community.

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 <u>djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au</u> 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 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.