# **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: Isaiah 55:6-9

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways — it is the Lord who speaks. Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

## **Responsorial Psalm:**

R. The Lord is close to all who call him. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. The Lord is great, highly to be praised, his greatness cannot be measured. R

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. R

The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. R

## Second reading: Philippians 1:20-24,27

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to

be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake. Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ

## **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'



"We'll see never see a family go hungry, they can always have bread milk and cold meat."

Leo Embrey 1939-2023

# 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 24th September 2023 Welcome to the Parish of Cororooke...

St Brendan's Coragulac St Joseph's Pirron Yallock

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St Brendan's: 9.30am Sunday/

5pm 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday

St Joseph's: 10:30am Lay-led /

Mass 1st Sunday

St Brendan's: 1st October: Lay Led @9.30am

**Communion Minister: Maureen Finn** 

Commentator: Kav McKav

Reader: M Gorwell

Lay Leaders: A McCarthy & M McCarthy

St Joseph's:- 1st October Family: Hickman

#### **ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES**

St Brendan's: October: A Bayne & M McGee

St Joseph's: October: Sherman

Counters: 1st - 8th Oct: J Miller

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Leo Embrey,

Fr Brian Gleeson

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Mary Josephine Jones, Jack Carroll, Francis Lenehan, Mary Lenehan, Tom Finn, Sr Kathleen Finnigan, Mike Ebling, **Louis Hickman** 

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, Lynda Newcomb, Peter Higgs

# PRAYER FOR MIGRANT & REFUGEE SUNDAY...

God, Father Almighty, grant us the grace to work tirelessly for justice, solidarity and peace, so that all your children may enjoy the freedom to choose whether to migrate or to

Grant us the courage to denounce all the horrors of our world, and to combat every injustice that mars the beauty of your children and the harmony of our common home.

Sustain us by the power of your Spirit, so that we can reflect your tender love to every migrant whom you place in our path, and to spread in hearts and in every situation the culture of encounter and of care.

Pope's intention for September – For people living on the margins: We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions. May they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance

100 years of the Good Samaritan Centre St Brendan's Catholic Church together with Thomas Carr College and St Brendan's Primary School, invite you to join us in celebrating the centenary of the Good Samaritan Centre on Sunday 8th Oct 2023 Mass @11

Light lunch in St Brendan's Hall following mass and self-guided tours of the Good Samaritan Centre and Presbytery.

For catering purposes, please RSVP to Maureen: 0428 329 231 or Marg: o419 419 584 There is a sheet at the back of St Brendan's for parishioners to respond with their attendance or apology

**ADVANCE NOTICE: No service at St** Joseph's on the 8th Oct, due to Mass, being held at St Brendan's for the centenary.

### 2023 Season of Creation Prayer

Creator of All,

from your communion of love life sprung forth like a mighty river and the whole cosmos came into being. On this Earth of overflowing love, the Word was made flesh and went forth

with the life-giving waters proclaiming peace and justice for all creation.

You called human beings to till and keep your garden.

You placed us into right relationship with each creature,

but we failed to listen to the cries of the Earth and the cries of the most vulnerable.

We broke with the flowing communion of love and sinned against you

by not safeguarding the conditions for life.

We lament the loss of our fellow species and the

We lament the loss of our fellow species and their habitats,

we grieve the loss of human cultures,

along with the lives and livelihoods that have been displaced or perished,

and we ache at the sight of an economy of death, war and violence that we have inflicted on ourselves and on the Earth.

Open our ears to your creative, reconciling and sustaining Word

that calls to us through the book of Scripture and the book of creation.

Bless us once again with your life-giving waters so that the

Creator Spirit may let justice and peace flow in our hearts and overflow into all creation.

Open our hearts to receive the living waters of God's justice and peace,

and to share it with our suffering brothers and sisters, all creatures around us and all creation. Bless us to walk together with all people of good will so that the many streams of the living waters of God's justice and peace

may become a mighty river all over the Earth. In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ. Amen. by a Catholic scholar well versed in inter-religious dialogue. Sessions will be held on Monday evenings September 4, 11, 18 & October 9 from 7.00pm – 8.15pm (AEST) online via Zoom. Cost is \$33.00 incl. GST (covers all four sessions & excludes Trybooking fee). For more information and to register scan or click on the QR code.

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop" commencing in Melbourne on 17 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry.

Could you please advertise this Pilgrimage in your Parish Bulletin and post the attached brochure on your notice board, time and space permitting? I am happy to answer any questions and provide an itinerary and application form, and may be contacted at <a href="mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au">national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au</a> or on 89124818.

Many thanks for letting parishioners know about the Pilgrimage.

Sr Annie Bond

Mission & Ministries Manager Mary MacKillop Place

Garratt Publishing, in conjunction with Yarra Theological Union, are holding a new four session webinar series exploring other religious traditions from a Catholic perspective - Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism and Islam. The webinars will take the form of a 'conversation', and will be hosted