#### **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: Sir 27:30—28:7

Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight.

The vengeful will suffer the LORD's vengeance, for he remembers their sins in detail.

Forgive your neighbour's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. Could anyone nourish anger against another and expect healing from the LORD? Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins? If one who is but flesh cherishes wrath, who will forgive his sins? Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin! Think of the commandments, hate not your neighbour; remember the Most High's covenant, and overlook faults.

#### **Responsorial Psalm:**

### R. The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills.

He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

He will not always chide, nor does he keep his wrath forever. Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us. R

#### Second reading: Rom 14:7-9

Brothers and sisters:

None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself.

For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. For this is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Alleluia

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia.

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord; love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Mt 18:21-35

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?' Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."

# 24th <u>Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> 17<sup>th</sup> <u>September 2023</u> <u>Welcome to the Parish</u> <u>of Cororooke...</u>

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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: 24th Sept- Mass@5pm

Communion Minister: Commentator: M Allan Reader: B Allatt

Lay Leaders:

St Joseph's: - 24th Sep: NO SERVICE

Family:

Com. Minister: Lay Leaders:

**ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES** 

St Brendan's: September: A Ruddell St Joseph's: September: Community Clean

Counters: 17th -24th Sept: L Darcy

#### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

<u>ANNIVERSARIES:</u> Viv Bone, Margaret Beasley, Hugh Delahunty, Irwin Sutherland, Ed Carmody.

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

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, <u>please RSVP</u> to Maureen: 0428 329 231 or Marg: 0419 419 584

<u>There is a sheet at the back of St Brendan's for parishioners to respond</u> with their attendance or apology

WORKING BEE 1<sup>ST</sup> OCT AFTER LAY LED AT ST BRENDAN'S: MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK.

24<sup>TH</sup> Sept Memorial Mass for Leo Embry. A cuppa to be held afterwards and could families please bring a plate. Time to reflect of a life well lived, with his family.

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

Sesus teaches that we must forgive one another as

God has forgiven us.

Matthew 18:21-35



## Ballarat Clergy Support Fund: Collection for Sick and Retired Priests – 17<sup>th</sup> Sept

Creating a secure retirement future for the priests of the diocese is a duty and care in which we can all participate. *Caring for those who care for us – the Church community's responsibility.* 

#### Institute of Sisters of Mercy of Australia and Papua New Guinea Chapter

ISMAPNG would be grateful for your prayer during the coming weeks as they gather for their Chapter – a time of evaluating the past and planning for the future. Venerable Catherine McAuley, pray for us.

#### 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 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.



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 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