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 50:4-7

The Lord GOD has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear ;and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

Responsorial Psalm:

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me scoff at me; they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads: "He relied on the LORD; let him deliver him, let him rescue him, if he loves him." **R.**

Indeed, many dogs surround me, a pack of evildoers closes in upon me ;They have pierced my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones. **R.**

They divide my garments among them, and for my vesture they cast lots. But you, O LORD, be not far from me; O my help, hasten to aid me. **R.**

I will proclaim your name to my brethren; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you: "You who fear the LORD, praise him; all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him; revere him, all you descendants of Israel!" **R**

Second reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name

which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation:

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Gospel: Mark 15:1-39

As soon as morning came, the chief priests with the elders and the scribes, that is, the whole Sanhedrin held a council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" He said to him in reply, "You say so." The chief priests accused him of many things. Again Pilate questioned him, "Have you no answer? See how many things they accuse you of." Jesus gave him no further answer, so that Pilate was amazed. Now on the occasion of the feast he used to release to them one prisoner whom they requested. A man called Barabbas was then in prison along with the rebels who had committed murder in a rebellion. The crowd came forward and began to ask him to do for them as he was accustomed. Pilate answered, "Do you want me to release to you the king of the Jews?" For he knew that it was out of envy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate again said to them in reply, "Then what do you want me to do with the man you call the king of the Jews?" They shouted again, "Crucify him." Pilate said to them, "Why? What evil has he done?" They only shouted the louder, "Crucify him."⁵ So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas to them and, after he had Jesus scourged, handed him over to be crucified. The soldiers led him away inside the palace, that is, the praetorium, and assembled the whole cohort. They clothed him in purple and, weaving a crown of thorns, placed it on him. They began to salute him with, Hail, King of the Jews!" and kept striking his head with a reed and spitting upon him. They knelt before him in homage. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him out to crucify him. They pressed into service a passer-by, Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. They brought him to the place of Golgotha - which is translated Place of the Skull - They gave him wine drugged with myrrh, but he did not take it. Then they crucified him and divided his garments by casting lots for them to see what each should take. It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him.

PALM SUNDAY 24 March 2024 <u>Welcome to the</u> <u>Parísh</u>

<u>of Cororooke...</u>

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 Holy Thursday@7pm</u> Commentator: K McKay Reader: L Darcy Gospel: M McCarthy

<u>St Brendan's Good Friday@2:30</u> Readers: D Melville, J Finlay, L Russell Veneration of the Cross: J Miller, D O'Shea Overheads :L Darcy

<u>St Brendan's:31ST MARCH: EASTER VIGIL@ 7pm</u> Commentator: L Darcy Reader: D Allan, M McCarthy, B Allatt STORY TELLER: A McCarthy

<u>St Joseph's:-Mass 10;30</u> Family: Mulheron

ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES

St Brendan's: April- M Allan, D Allan St Joseph's: April- Community Clean

Counters: 7/14 April: P O'Shea

RECENTLY DECEASED:

<u>ANNIVERSARIES:</u> Bernie McGrath, Lance Ryan, Sr Geraldine Mugavin sgs, Jack O'Shea, Leo Ryan, Terry McCarthy, Aileen McCarthy.

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 March: –for new martyrs: Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive. Lord, hear us.

Dates to Remember...

25th March: Mass of the Oils Ballarat 11.30am EASTER MASS TIMES:

24th March: Palm Sunday: Mass @ St Brendan's 5.00pm

28th March Holy Thursday:: Mass @ St Brendan's 7.00pm 29th March: Good Friday Ceremony: @ St

Brendan's 2.30pm

Saturday 30 March Easter Vigil: Mass St Brendan's @ 7.00pm

17th April: PLT meeting @5pm

'The St Brendan's Family'- thank you for all those who have donated. Funds raised, will be delivered to families in need.

PROJECT COMPASSION: 2024

If you have PROJECT Compassion boxes to return, please bring them Holy Thursday.

We welcome Harriet Elizabeth, daughter of Dean and Molly in Baptism at St Brendan's this Sunday.

The Book Club new title to read is "River of Dreams" By Anita Heiss. The meeting to be held on 22 April at 6pm.

MASS OF THE OILS – BALLARAT- BUS

150th Anniversary of the Diocese of Ballarat St Brendan's are running a bus to Ballarat for the Mass of the Oils. It will leave St Brendan's car park 25/03 at 9.15am and will be back at 3.20pm If you are interested, please contact Liz 0427041072

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.

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.

Evangelise+ Women's Leadership Series The new Evangelise+, 'Women's Leadership' series is available

at <u>https://www.evangeliseplus.com.au/</u>. The series includes videos on the following five topics:

- Defining Leadership
- Women's Gifts
- Catholic Faith as Guide
- Attributes for Leadership
- Dealing with Challenges

Palm Sunday Walk for Justice and Peace - March 24, 2024

The focus this year is on the impact of war where people have been forced to flee to seek places of refuge within their own country (internally displaced) or as refugees and asylum seekers to other countries. The program will commence at 10.30am at the Parliament Gardens (Spring Street/Albert Street, Melbourne) with an interfaith segment and prayers for peace, followed by speeches/presentations from 11.00am and the Palm Sunday 'Walk for Refugees' concluding by 12.00noon.

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