THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**First Reading**: Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me

a disciple's tongue.

So that I may know how to reply to the wearied

he provides me with speech.

Each morning he wakes me to hear

to listen like a disciple.

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance,

neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me,

my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;

I did not cover my face

against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help,

so that I am untouched by the insults.

So, too, I set my face like flint;

I know I shall not be shamed.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**R.** **My God, my God,**

**why have you abandoned me?**

All who see me deride me.

They curl their lips, they toss their heads.

'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;

let him release him if this is his friend.' R.

Many dogs have surrounded me,

a band of the wicked beset me.

They tear holes in my hands and my feet.

I can count every one of my bones. R.

They divide my clothing among them.

They cast lots for my robe.

O Lord, do not leave me alone,

my strength, make haste to help me! R.

I will tell of your name to my brethren

and praise you where they are assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him praise;

all sons of Jacob, give him glory.

Revere him, Israel's sons.' R.

**Second Reading: Phillippians 2:6-11**

His state was divine,

yet Christ Jesus did not cling

to his equality with God

but emptied himself

to assume the condition of a slave,

and became as men are, and being as all men are,

he was humbler yet,even to accepting death,

death on a cross.

But God raised him high and gave him the name

which is above all other names so that all beings

in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,

should bend the knee at the name of Jesus

and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!**

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dying on the cross.

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and gave him a name above all other names.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory**!

**GOSPEL: Luke:14 23-56**

Project Compassion 2022

Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water. In recent years, COVID-19 has also devastated vulnerable communities already living in poverty, with the health and economic impacts to reverberate for years to come.

It’s through the generous support of people like you, even amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, that we are able to continue to help lift vulnerable communities out of poverty – support that is needed now more than ever. Thousands of schools and Parishes in Australia have supported Project Compassion over the past year alone.

**Thank you** for your continued support for Project Compassion– past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow

***For All Future Generations*.**

**Please return your Project Compassion boxes to St Brendan’s or St Joseph’s Church**

**Welcome**

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| Moderator: Maureen Finn 0428329231  Supervising Priest: Fr Michael O’Toole  School Principal: Leanne Eastman  Parish Sec: Gracesyn Perrett 52331464  Child Safety Officer: Leanne Eastman  St Brendan’s: 9.30am Sunday/  5pm 4th Sunday  St Joseph’s: 10:30am Lay-led /  Mass 1st Sunday |

St Brendan’s:

14th April: Holy Thursday Mass @ 7.00pm

Commentator: K McKay

Reader: M McCarthy

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15th April: Good Friday @ 2.30pm

*Collection for the support of the*

*church in the Holy Land*

16th April, Easter Vigil @ 7.00pm

Commentator: M Allan

Reader: K Speirs

Storyteller: A McCarthy

St Joseph’s: 17th April Mass @ 10.30 am

Family: Whytcross

ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES:

*St Brendan’s:10-17th April: H Holland & J O’Dowd*

*St Joseph’s: April: J&M Melville*

Counters 10th April: N McKay

RECENT DEATHS: Sr Patricia Vagg

ANNIVERSARIES: Daniel Roache, Frank Page,

Pat Harney, Daniel Moore, Mary Garner

*Those seeking our prayers for*

*healing and well being.*

*Leah Spokes, Geraldine Finn,*

*Goldie Elsum, Doug Swanson*, *Ross Suares, Catherine Miller*



Dates to Remember:

11TH April: Mass of the Oils. St Patricks’s Cathedral, Ballarat @6.30pm. Supper to follow in the hall

ALL WELCOME

14th April: Holy Thursday Mass@7pm

15th April: Good Friday@2;30pm

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Wishing Heather a very happy 80th Birthday 

and Don a speedy recovery

PALM SUNDAY GATHERING FOR

JUSTICE FOR REFUGEES…..

*Colac and district inspired by visit of Sr Brigid Arthur – to meet at 2pm, today - Sunday 10th April @ rotunda: Memorial Park Colac…. ALL WELCOME*

From Bishop Paul re Holy Week ceremonies….

‘While many of the pandemic restrictions have been eased, Covid is still in the community, and it is prudent to continue to take some steps to reduce the spread of the virus… I remind everyone of the directive that during this time of pandemic, communion should be received in the hand and no sharing of the chalice. Holy water fonts should still be empty. For Good Friday, Veneration of the Cross, people are invited to come forward and bow before the cross rather than touching of kissing the cross.’

Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,

We pray for the people of Ukraine.

We pray for peace and the

laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,

That your Spirit of comfort would

draw near to them.

We pray for those with power of war or peace,

for wisdom, discernment and compassion

to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your

precious children, at risk and in fear,

that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus,

the Prince of Peace. Amen

*“God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy.” Pope Francis*

*Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – Online Study now open*

Our partner, Dayton University, offers low-cost ($50usd) online study and formation for employed or volunteer lay workers in parishes.  Study cycles are over 3 or 5 weeks.  The next Cycle of 2022 begins April 25.  There are 29 subjects to choose from – find one that interests you!  Registrations are open now.  More information is available on the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/services-agencies-2/pastoral/pastoral-ministry/lay-pastoral-ministry-program/> or email [djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or ph. 5337 7121.

*Caritas Australia Ukraine Crisis Appeal*

In a matter of weeks, millions of people have fled the conflict in Ukraine.  Our long-standing partner, Caritas Ukraine, is on the ground, supporting people in need during this unfolding humanitarian crisis.  Help provide urgent humanitarian assistance including shelter, food, clean water, medicine and psychological support to people affected by this crisis.  Donate today at [www.caritas.org.au/ukraine](http://www.caritas.org.au/ukraine) or call 1800 024 413 toll free.  Keep up to date on the latest activities by Caritas agencies on the ground [www.caritas.org.au/ukraine-news](http://www.caritas.org.au/ukraine-news)

*Prayers for Ukraine and Russia*

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice,

who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence,

we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;

let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all;

we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength to live that truth in love,

choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord.  Amen.

*Pope Francis’ Prayer for Peace in Ukraine*

I ask you to pray the Our Father for peace in Ukraine, now and throughout this Day.

Let us ask the Lord to grant that the country may grow in the spirit of brotherhood, and that all hurts, fears and divisions will be overcome.

We have spoken about the Holocaust. But let us think too that [in Ukraine] millions of people were killed [1932-1933].

They are a people who have suffered; they have suffered from hunger, suffered from much brutality and they deserve peace.

May the prayers and supplications that today rise up to heaven touch the minds and hearts of world leaders, so that dialogue may prevail and the common good be placed ahead of partisan interests.

Please, no more war