THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Acts 6:1-7

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

Responsorial Psalm:

Response: May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs.

For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

Second reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: *See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed.* That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia,

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia, Alleluia

Gospel: John 14:1-12 Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.' Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me. If you know me, you know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him.' Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me? 'To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself: it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work. You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me: believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason. I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.'

BAPTISMS:

Congratulations to Harrison Patrick Breen son of Lauren Hill and James Breen who will be welcomed this Sunday through baptism.

We pray for Brennen, Eden & Ivy Robb and Janet Ross and Caleb & Jordie Price who will be baptised Thursday June 8th at St Brendan's @ 12 midday.

<u>5th SUNDAY OF EASTER</u> <u>7th May 2023</u>

<u>Welcome to the</u> <u>**Parísh of Cororooke...**</u>

St Brendan's Coragulac St Joseph's Pirron Yallock

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Moderator: Maureen Finn 0428329231 Leadership Team: Pat O'Shea, Jill O'Dowd, Michelle Gorwell, Marg Allan, Bronwyn Hickman & Delia Melville 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 May Lay Led @ 9.30am Communion Minister: J Robb Commentator: A McCarthy Reader: M O'Shea Lay Leaders: L McGuane & A Ruddell

<u>St Joseph's: 14 th May – Lay Led @ 10.30am</u> Family: McGuane Communion Minister: K McGuane Lay Leader: A Convery & L Darcy

<u>ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES</u> St Brendan's: May: J Holland & H Holland St Joseph's: May A Convery & A Oborne

Counters: April 30th-May7th - P O'Shea

<u>RECENTLY DECEASED</u>: Vin Morrissy

<u>ANNIVERSARIES:</u> Brendan Wangler, Jack Ryan, John Armstrong, Nora Russell, Damian Black, Jill Tucker, John Gorwell, Tim McCarthy, Frank Monaco, Br Kevin Tuck, Pat Murnane , Margaret O'Shea

We keep in our thoughts and prayers all those who seek healing and wellness. May they feel valued and supported especially... Leah Spokes, Geraldine Finn, Goldie Elsum, Leo Embrey, Kathleen O'Donnell, Lynda Newcombe <u>Dates to Remember:</u> Wed 10th May @5pm:_Parish Leadership Meeting Thursday 8th June @ 12.00: St Brendan's Feast Day Mass and Baptisms – All Welcome

Mass Counts: There will be mass counts held in each of the week of May at both Churches

Pope's intention for May - - for church movements and groups: We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world. Lord, hear us.

St Brendan's Community Book Club.

Our new book is 'Educated' by Tara Westover. The Colac Library has copies, or you can purchase online at Booktopia. Next meeting is 15th May at 7.30pm in the ALL WELCOME.

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Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre (MMHC)

• Australian Heritage Festival Open Day on Saturday, May 13, 2023: The MMHC building initially designed and operational as a place of providence and respite for women in their time of need is located on grounds that were purchased by Mary in 1901. Explore the Museum with one of our guides or independently with our new audio tour. A highlight of your day will be enjoying a cuppa with a Sister of Saint Joseph. Book for a guided tour that will run every hour between 10.30am – 3.30pm

at <u>https://www.mmhc.org.au/australian-heritage-festival-open-day/</u>

- Mary of the Cross Exhibition: The Mary of the Cross Exhibition will be held April - June 2023, Monday – Friday from 10.00am – 4.00pm. The Heritage Centre is proud to present a new exhibition in the Temporary Gallery that explores the significance of the Cross in Mary's life. Visitors will be able to view objects from the museum's collection of Josephite emblems and crosses, while activity sheets will be available for young people to enjoy.
- Accommodation @MMHC: When in Melbourne book your next stay at the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre accommodation in the heart of Melbourne. Contact Kate, ph. 9926 9300.



<u>St Brendan's Primary School</u> Coragulac



2024 Enrolments now open

We welcome you to our upcoming Open Day on Tuesday 9th May 2023. Doors open from 9am until 11am with tours available upon arrival.

If you are unable to attend the Open Day but would like to tour our school please call 03 5233 1464 or email <u>principal@sbcoragulac.catholic.edu.au</u> to organise a time.

If you are wanting to enrol your child for the 2024 school year please download, complete and deliver/post the enrolment form to the school. Alternatively, visit or contact the school for a paper copy of this enrolment form.

In the meantime, please contact Leanne Eastman, Principal, at the above email address or contact number to discuss your child's educational needs. opportunity to familiarise themselves with school and experience fun with learning.

The "St Brendan's Little Learners" program will run on Monday 29th May, Monday 5th June and Monday 19th June 2023 from 9am until 11am.

During these sessions, children will have the opportunity to join in a variety of activities, sampling some of the different subjects we offer at school, including Art, Literacy, Sport, Maths and STEM. Parent/s and carers are welcome to stay for a cuppa and a chat while the children are participating in the program.

We look forward to seeing you at our school.









We are also offering Little Learners in 2023

Preschoolers aged 3-4 are invited to join us for our Little Learners Program. The program gives them the



