Sunday Mass 2nd Sunday of Easter 11 April 2021 THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Acts 4:32-35

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
The whole group was united, heart and soul.
The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need. The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117:2-4, 15-18, 22-24

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

• Let the sons of Israel say:

'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.' R.

- The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up.
 I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds.
 I was punished, I was punished by the Lord, but not doomed to die. R.
- The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone,
 This is the work of the Lord,
 a marvel in our eyes.
 This day was made by the Lord;
 we rejoice and are glad. R.

Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6

A reading from the first letter of St John
Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world. Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world;

this is the victory over the world - our faith. Who can overcome the world?
Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness - since the Spirit is the truth. The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Gospel John 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them. In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name. The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

 Leadership Meeting will be held on Thursday April, 22nd April, 2021 at 5pm. Please note change of date. Welcome to the Parish of Cororooke. 727 Corangamite Lake Road Coragulac, VIC 3249.

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Priest: Fr Michael O'Toole

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ST BRENDAN'S:18 April @ 9:30am

Commentator: M. Carmody

Reader: L. Darcy

Communion: L. McGuane. Leaders: C. Finlay/M. O'Shea.

ST JOSEPH'S: 18 April @10:30

Family: Manson/Everett Communion: R. Whytcross Lay-leaders: T & D Ryan

ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES:

St Brendan's: 11-18 April M McCarthy/D Howard 25th April/2nd May: B. Newcombe/J. Robb.

St.Joseph's:

April: J. Melville

May: A. Convery/A. Oborne.

Counters:

25th April; A. McCarthy.

RECENT DEATHS:

<u>ANNIVERSARIES:</u> Monsignor Lex Johnson, Sr Teresa Hyland, Leo Delahunty, Ann Williams, Duane Roache.

<u>Sick:</u> Leah Spokes, Geraldine Finn, Ross Suares, Goldie Elsum, Josie Paatsch.

URGENT;

Two of your Bulletin Ladies are retiring.



Please speak to Liz McGuane/Carmel Finlay to register your interest in taking on this important role for the Parish.

Thank You:

- To all who assisted in making our Easter 2021 Ceremonies so Special.
- To Tamon, Tallow, Ava, Brianna, Kaitlyn, Jasmin, Ben and Billy for their roles in the ceremonies. Thanks to their families for bringing them.
- For the beautiful Easter flowers all grown in the Lenehan garden this year.

Congratulations:

To Louise Allan and Zach Wilson on the occasion of their wedding Friday 9th April at St Brendans.



Reflection for Parents:

One of the best-loved Catholic prayers is the Prayer of Saint Francis. It begins with the familiar words, "Lord, make me an instrument of your peace." As you think about your role in the workplace, in your community, and most especially in your home, where are your opportunities to be an instrument of Christ's peace? Can you offer a word of peace and healing to an upset child, an angry co- worker, or a neighbour who has just received difficult news? Can you help end an argument or disagreement with a peaceful word or with a peaceful presence? As you go about your daily work and the routine of family life, echo Jesus' words in prayer: "Peace be with you." And join Saint Francis in praying, "Lord, make me an instrument of your peace."