

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd March 2025



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD:

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 27:5-8

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,
so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.
The kiln tests the work of the potter,
the test of a man is in his conversation.
The orchard where a tree grows is judged on the quality
of its fruit,
similarly a man's words betray what he feels.
Do not praise a man before he has spoken,
since this is the test of men.

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to make music to your name, O Most High,
to proclaim your love in the morning
and your truth in the watches of the night. R

The just will flourish like the palm tree
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. R

Planted in the house of the Lord
they will flourish in the courts of our God,
still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the Lord is just.
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. R

Second reading: 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: *Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting?* Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;

you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 6:39-45

Jesus told a parable to his disciples: 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.'

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

Prayer for Pope Francis

Please pray for health and healing for Pope Francis, entrusting him to the healing care of our Lord.

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favourably on your servant Francis, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd.

Grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Welcome to the Parish of Cororooke.

St Brendan's Coragulac
St Joseph's Pirron Yallock

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St Brendan's 1st, 2nd 3rd & 5th

Sundays :Lay Led @ 9.30am 4th

Sundays Mass @ 5.00pm with Fr Andrew

St Joseph's: Mass 1st Sunday of Month
@ 10.30 am with Fr Kevin

St Brendan's:16th March Lay Led@9:30

Communion Minister : L Darcy

Commentator: K McKay

Reader: C Finlay

Leaders: M Finn/ M Gorwell

St Joseph's:

ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES

St Brendan's: Mar: M Allan/D Allan

St Joseph's: Mar: Whytcross

Counters: 23rd – 2nd March – Lucy

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES: Stephan Darcy,

Brian Donovan, Ted McGuane, John Gerard
Donovan, Ed Finlay, Bernie Russell, Isobel Holland,
Dorothy Burk, Jack Convery

*We keep in our thoughts and prayers all
those who seek healing and wellness. May
they feel valued and supported especially...*
**Kathleen O'Donnell, Helen McCormick,
Kerryn Williams, Claire Ryan**

Pope's Prayer for March - for families in crisis: Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences. Lord, hear us.

Free weekly resource from the Carmelites of Australia and Timor- Leste , can be found at, communications@carmelites.org.au
Contains reflections on the Gospel.

Upcoming Dates:

Book Club: Things Left Unsaid, by Tracey Lien
Meeting 24TH March@6:30, in the school office.

Dates of Parish Leadership Team Meeting:

Tuesday, 25 March 2025 at 5.00pm

Tuesday, 6 May 2025 at 5.00pm

Ash Wednesday Mass: A Mass, will be held at St
Brendan's Church on Wednesday, 5 March at
6.00pm.

Parish into The Future

We are on the journey of looking at how the Parish will operate now and into the future. Fr Andrew has, after discussions with Colac Birregurra and ourselves, put forward the following Mass times.

1st Sunday, St Joseph's , Pirron Yallock 9am

2nd Sunday St Peter's, Birregurra 9am

3rd Sunday Our Lady of Fatima, Lorne 9am

4th Sunday St Brendan's, Coragulac 9am

**Colac 6pm Saturday and 11pm Sunday
Masses to continue**

Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

- Pope Francis has declared a Jubilee Year of Hope in 2025, centred on the theme, "Pilgrims of Hope." A Jubilee is a special year of grace and conversion, involving prayer, pilgrimage and sacramental repentance, held every 25 years, or during other years as called for by the Pope. Through a series of concrete rituals, acts and commitments, the goal of a Jubilee year is to inspire and encourage holiness of life among the faithful and therefore to strengthen the Church's witness to God's loving mercy in and for the world.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos

in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth,

when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

Pope Francis

Rite of Election – Saturday, March 1, 2025

The Rite of Election is an important part of the process of a person's journey to full membership in the Catholic Church community. This applies to adults who have undertaken formation. The Rite of Election for catechumens and candidates was held on Saturday at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat. We pray for all those involved in the RCIA journey as they come to the Easter sacraments. May they be strengthened in faith and love to give themselves totally to Christ.



Running to God: A Collection of Prayers for Sport

The National Centre for Evangelisation has produced this free book, "Running to God: A Collection of Prayers for Sport", designed to help incorporate faith and prayer into the practice of sport at all levels. It features prayers written for and by athletes, officials, coaches, parents and spectators - as well as short testimonies of faith from Australian athletes. Access the book and a range of resources at <https://nce.catholic.org.au/culture/sports/prayer>

The Universal Prayer

Sunday 2nd March 2025
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. For Pope Francis in his time of need,
that with patience and hope
he will embrace the will of God.
Lord, hear us.

Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For the Church around the world,
that all will feel united in prayer
at this time with love for Pope Francis.
Lord, hear us....

3. For the renewal of the ceasefire
in Gaza
and an end to the violence now
engulfing the
Occupied West Bank.
Lord, hear us....

4. For justice for the people of
Ukraine
and an end to war between
Ukraine and Russia,
that peace will come to all.
Lord, hear us....

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Lent,

For Australian Catholics this

that through Project
Compassion they will
live its theme, "United Against
Poverty",

through prayer, sacrifice and
giving.
Lord, hear us....

7 For all who have died in
Palestine and Israel,

Ukraine and Russia

and the Democratic Republic of
the Congo,

along with.....

Lord, hear us.....