

Second Sunday of Lent

16th March 2025



THE LITURGY OF THE WORD:

First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12,17-18

Taking Abram outside, the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can.' 'Such will be your descendants,' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord,' Abram replied 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off. Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms: 'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink? R

O Lord, hear my voice when I call;
have mercy and answer.

Of you my heart has spoken:
'Seek his face.' R

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face.

Dismiss not your servant in anger;
you have been my help. R

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.

Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord! R

Second reading: Philippians 3:17-4:1

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us. I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things. For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:
this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL: Luke 9:28-36

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

Easter Celebrations to be confirmed next week

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: 23rd March MASS@9: 00

Communion Minister :

Commentator: L Darcy

Reader: P O'Shea

Leaders:

St Joseph's:

ALTAR & SACRISTY DUTIES

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

St Joseph's: Mar: Whytcross

Counters: 16th March – Carmel

RECENTLY DECEASED: Leonard Melville

ANNIVERSARIES: Matt Ryan, Jack Malone,

Sr Kathleen Martin, Gordon Weller,

Bill Mahoney Snr, Ruby and Kevin Murnane

***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.***

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

St Brendan's & St Joseph's Family...

Last year people very generously donated money, which was given to assist families in our school and parish with school expenses. The box will be in the St Brendan's Church for the next 2 weeks if you would like to contribute



***Project Compassion 2025 Week 2: Unite against
poverty this Lent***

This week through Project Compassion, we learn about Toefuata'iga from Samoa. Toefuata'iga, a 13-year-old student in Samoa, faced severe challenges and disruptions to her learning due to water scarcity. After Caritas Australia's partner Caritas Samoa installed a 10,000 litre water tank at her school, Toefuata'iga and her classmates saw improved health and more consistent class attendance. "I would like to become a good teacher. To teach the children so they will have a brighter future," Toefuata'iga said.

**Please note the change of Mass time for St
BRENDAN'S. 9AM**

6th April 10:30 Mass St Joseph

***There will be a farewell/thankyou BBQ for Fr
Kevin after Mass. Please confirm your
attendance for catering purposes. Ann Maree
0419 540 900***



Global Mission: No age limit!

Ever thought volunteering overseas was beyond you? IT'S NOT. Palms always values our older participants for the wisdom and resourcefulness they share in communities!

Palms is celebrating our seniors with a special [online session](#) showcasing older volunteers' experience and insights from the mission field. Explore our [unique opportunities](#) and match your life experience to the experience of a lifetime!

Venue: Online via Zoom- Scan the QR or register at



palms.org.au/events

Date: Thursday 27 March 2025

Time: 11 am – 12 pm

02 9560 5333

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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

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.

