

Catholic Parishes of

St. Brendan's, Shepparton & St. Mary's, Dookie

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A, 26 JULY 2026

Our Parishes are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.



Installation Mass of Bishop René Ramirez RCJ Livestream

We are expecting a full house at Sacred Heart Cathedral for the Installation of Bishop René Ramirez RCJ as the ninth bishop of Sandhurst.

Mass will be livestreamed from Sacred Heart Cathedral on 30 July 2026 at 11:00 am.

To watch, visit the link below or scan the QR code.

<https://www.youtube.com/live/noxqv-CaUpM>

The link can also be found on the Diocesan website homepage.



Everyone from across the Diocese is strongly encouraged to join us at this Formation Institute - Friday 21 August and Saturday 22 August - Riverlinks Eastbank, Shepparton

Two inspiring days exploring "Gospel, Mission, and Pastoral Outreach". Hear Bishop René Ramirez RCJ open and conclude the gathering, engage with keynote presentations and choose from a wide range of practical seminars.

You are encouraged to attend both Friday and Saturday, but welcome to join us on either day. Registrations close 14 August.



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Join Us in Worship

St Brendan's, Shepparton

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil 6pm
Sunday 8am & 11am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday to Friday 9.15am

Syro Malabar Rite

Wednesday 6pm
Saturday 8.30am
Sunday 5.30pm

Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursdays 7pm-8pm
Fridays 4.45pm-5.45pm

Rosary

Following weekday Masses and after 8am Mass on Sunday

Confession

Saturday 9.45am-10.30am



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Our Priests

Parish Administrator | Fr Ronald N. Masilang, RCJ
Assistant Priest | Fr John Paul Pasala
Assistant Priest | Fr Ruel Desamparado, RCJ
Assistant Priest | Fr Addin Doe, RCJ

Parish Notices



Birthday Blessing for July

At this weekend's Masses, as it is the last Sunday of the month, there will be a special blessing for all those who celebrated their birthdays in July.

CHANGE FOR PARISHIONERS NEEDING GLUTEN FREE HOSTS



Gluten Free hosts will be available on the offertory table next to the organ at every Mass from 25th-26th July 2026

Before Mass please put a host in your Pyx and place the Pyx on the tray provided. They will then be part of the offertory procession together with those in the ciborium and the wine



Catechesis Classes

Commencing Tuesday, 28 July in the Pastoral Centre at 7pm. Classes are held on a fortnightly basis.



Mass & Holy Hour Cancellation – Thursday, 30 July

Please note that there will be no 9:15am Mass and no Holy Hour on Thursday, 30 July, as all our Priests will be attending the Installation Mass of Bishop René Ramirez RCJ and will also have commitments following this significant Diocesan celebration.



Thank you to everyone who came along and supported our Trivia Night last Friday!

It was a fantastic turnout, and thanks to your generosity we raised \$797.60 for the youth budget.

Keep an eye out for future youth events that this money will help make possible. We can't wait to share what's coming next!



Save the Date: 10th Anniversary of the Annual Public Rosary

Saturday, 10 October at 10:30am
St Brendan's Parish Garden

More details to follow

Enquiries to Maureen on 0403 876 578

We ask for your prayers for the eternal repose of:

Recently Deceased: Ian Boschetti, Margaret Sarkady,

Death Anniversaries: Annie Louis, Michael Carey, Shirley Cobbledick, Joe Cobbledick, Judy Cobbledick, Pachie Macaskill, Dooley Macaskill, Marie Coppinger, Kevin Coppinger, Martha and Bill Kreuger, Luigi Rimato, Vincent Italia, Domenic Sicali.



First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5,7-12

You have asked for wisdom.

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30

He predestined us to become true images of his Son.

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;

you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:44-52

He sells everything he owns and buys the field.

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.'

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.'

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.'

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

Responsorial Psalm

R. Lord, I love your commands.

1. My part, I have resolved,
O Lord,
is to obey your word.
The law from your mouth means
more to me
than silver and gold.
(R.)

2. Let your love be ready to
console me
by your promise to your servant.
Let your love come to me and I
shall live
for your law is my delight.
(R.)

3. That is why I love your
commands
more than finest gold.
That is why I rule my life by your
precepts:
I hate false ways.
(R.)

4. Your will is wonderful indeed;
therefore I obey it.
The unfolding of your word gives
light
and teaches the simple.
(R.)

Farewell and Thank You, Jess

We would like to let our parish community know that Jess Doyle has resigned from her role as Sacramental Coordinator as she prepares to undertake further study to become a secondary school teacher.

Jess's final day with us will be Wednesday, 16 September, after she has completed supporting our sacramental families through their sacramental journey.

Jess has been a valued member of our parish team, and we are incredibly grateful for the care, dedication, and kindness she has shared with our families. While we are sad to see her leave, we are excited for this next chapter and wish her every blessing as she follows her calling into teaching.

Thank you, Jess, for all you have given to our parish!



World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly



This Sunday the Church celebrates the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

Established by Pope Francis in 2021, the day is an opportunity to reflect on how the presence of grandparents and the elderly can become a sign of hope in every family and church community.

The 2026 theme, "I will never forget you" (Isaiah 49:15), is both a message of hope for older people and a reminder to families and faith communities to recognise them as a precious presence and a blessing.



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Appointment of Safeguarding Officer



We are pleased to advise that Kathy Hunt has been appointed as the new Safeguarding Officer for the Diocese of Sandhurst on a casual basis.

Kathy brings extensive safeguarding experience and will support our parish communities by providing advice, consultation, education, and formation to help ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults.

Kathy is a parishioner of our St Brendan's Parish and we warmly welcome her to this important role.

Thank you Kathy, for all that you do!

Follow us for all our updates.

