



St Brendan's & St Mary's Parishes are child safe communities. We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all and a zero tolerance to child abuse.

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

5 October 2025

First Reading Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4

The just will live by faithfulness.

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help
while you will not listen;
to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear
and you will not save?
Why do you set injustice before me,
why do you look on where there is tyranny?
Outrage and violence, this is all I see,
all is contention, and discord flourishes.
Then the Lord answered and said,

'Write the vision down,
inscribe it on tablets
to be easily read,
since this vision is for its own time only:
eager for its own fulfilment, it does not
deceive;
if it comes slowly, wait,
for come it will, without fail.
See how he flags, he whose soul is not
at rights,
but the upright man will live by his
faithfulness.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8

*(R.) If today you hear his voice, harden
not your hearts.*

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
2. Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made
us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
3. O that today you would listen to his
voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my
work.' (R.)

Second Reading 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14

Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.

I am reminding you to fan into a flame
the gift that God gave you when I laid my
hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit
of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and
love, and self-control. So you are never to
be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or
ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but
with me, bear the hardships for the sake
of the Good News, relying on the power
of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching
you have heard from me, in the faith and
love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been
trusted to look after something precious;
guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who
lives in us.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Pt 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

*The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!*

Gospel Lk 17:5-10

If you had faith!

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our
faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the
size of a mustard seed you could say to this
mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in
the sea", and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing
or minding sheep, would say to him when
he returned from the fields, "Come and
have your meal immediately"? Would he
not be more likely to say, "Get my supper
laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me
while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink
yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful
to the servant for doing what he was told?
So with you: when you have done all you
have been told to do, say, "We are merely
servants: we have done no more than our
duty."'

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

**Held every 2nd Friday of the
month at 7.00 pm in the Church.**

**We would like
to invite
everyone to come
along on**

FRIDAY OCTOBER 10



Reflection by Greg Sunter

How much faith does one have to
have? How much faith is enough?
How is it possible to measure one
person's faith against another?

When the disciples asked Jesus to
increase their faith, what exactly
were they asking of him? These
fishermen and nobodies chosen as
disciples by Jesus must surely have
had moments of realisation that they
were not the sorts of young men
normally chosen by Rabbis to be
disciples. They must have looked
around at the disciples of other
teachers and seen that, by
comparison, they weren't really in
the same league. So they ask Jesus
to increase their faith. What they're
saying is: make us more like the
sorts of people we think we should
be. Jesus counters their request by
telling them that if they had faith the
size of a tiny mustard seed they
could accomplish great things. It's
not a matter of how much faith one
has but what they do with it. How
much faith does it take to do great
things? Jesus says that it only takes
the tiniest scrap of faith.

Jesus follows up this statement by
pointing out to the disciples that no
matter how small the amount of
faith, it carries with it a responsibility
and duty to act upon it. One
shouldn't be looking for acclaim and
special treatment when one acts out
of faith as that is simply what is
expected. The gift of faith carries
with it a duty to live that faith and
act upon it.

Parklake All Sacristans
and ladies
who help around the church are invited
to join us for a cuppa on
the 2nd Saturday
of each month at 10am,
including Saturday, October 11.
Contact Kath on 0409 003 420.

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Calendar**
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ST BRENDAN'S PARISH

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Fr Adi Indra

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Office Hours: Mon to Fri 9am - 2pm

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 6pm

Sunday 8am & 11am



Syro Malabar Rite: Wednesday 6.00pm,

Saturday 8.30am & Sunday 5.30pm

St Mary's Dookie, Sunday 10 am

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday to Friday 9.15am

Reconciliation

Saturday 9.45am to 10.30am (in the Church)

Rosary— The Rosary is prayed in the Marian Chapel after weekday Masses and after the 8am Mass on Sunday.

Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament: Thursdays 7pm to 8pm and

Fridays 4.45pm - 5.45pm

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We turn our hearts and minds to the people of the Yorta Yorta nation, who have occupied this country for thousands of years.

We pay respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging, and commit to walking alongside Aboriginal Australians in truth and justice.

Readers & Commentators Oct 11 & 12 , 2025

6pm	TBC	David Tarquini
8am	Paul White	Sara White
11am	Michael Frizzell	Mary-Ann Demase

Recently Deceased: Joan (Carey) Gibbons,
Fr Francis Edward (Ted) Burns

Anniversaries: Francis Sebastian, Tom Clurey,
Antonio Sfirro

Annual Public Rosary

All are welcome to attend this prayerful and social gathering.

Saturday October 11, 2025, 10.30am,
St Brendan's Parish Church Gardens.

**(If wet weather: we will
move into the Church)**

Followed by a cuppa in the MPJC.

The centre will be open prior to Rosary.
Please bring a plate to share while socialising.

PETITIONS: Prayers and thanksgivings to
Our Lady will be forwarded by ANF
(Australia Needs Fatima) to Portugal.

BYO: Chair/Rug/Cushion/Hat/Coat and
Spectacles for your comfort.

Enquiries to Maureen on 0403 876 578.

Welcome to our parish!

We warmly welcome our new Parish Administrator, Fr Ronald N. Masilang, RCJ, and our Associate Priests. Many of you will already be familiar with Fr Adi Indra, and we are also blessed to have Fr Ruel Desamparado, RCJ and Fr Addin Doe, RCJ joining our parish community.

Pictured

(left to right):

Fr Ronald N. Masilang, RCJ,
Fr Adi Indra,
Fr Addin Doe, RCJ, &
Fr Ruel Desamparado,
RCJ.





What a great celebration we had to send Fr. Joe off to retirement last week!
There were so many people in attendance at the Mass and luncheon -
standing room only in both venues!

Well done to Dale Wright and all involved in the Liturgy. Well done to the cake makers,
Loretta Grace and Kathy Hunt. Loretta was also responsible for the photo tribute.

Well done to the team of caterers, waiters, and kitchen hands who helped
Julie Dainton feed the gathering in the hall.

Well done to all those who helped set up and pack up the hall.

Well done to the planning committee members - Diane Teitzel, Tiffany Chandler,
Julie Dainton, Kathy Hunt, Julie Villani, Fr. Adi Indra, and Ashley Madeira.

And finally, well done to everyone who was able to contribute to the gifts and who helped in any way to make
Fr. Joe's farewell such a memorable occasion. We were delighted that so many of you were there!

GREETINGS FROM A RETIREE!

I wish to express my deep gratitude for the moving farewell last weekend. I was deeply moved by the liturgy and
by the remarkable farewell luncheon. I know that the preparations took four months in the planning, and for this I
want to express a special thanks to the planners. Also, a heartfelt thank-you to Dale Wright and the musicians
who again led us in prayerful music (and lights!).

To Julie Dainton, the coordinator of the catering, and her colossal team of workers. Thanks to our MC,
Ashley Madeira, who synchronised the luncheon gathering, to all the speakers, the Samoan dancers,
and a special thanks to the 10 clergy who attended. Thanks to Kathy Hunt for the Church style cake.

I pass on my gratitude to Fr Adi who has worked so closely with me. Di Teitzel has been the
backbone of so much and for this I say "Thank You Di."

Thanks to you all for the generous gifts and cards that I have received. Your sentiments have
been overwhelming. The new telly arrived yesterday and now has pride of place on my wall.

My family and visitors from previous parishes have been blown away by the vitality and faith
of St Brendan's Parish: may it continue to grow.

May God's blessings continue to be poured out on each and every one of you.

Fr Joe



MASS TIME CHANGES (to take effect as of Sunday October 5)

After consultation with a number of parishioners from St Malachy's (Nagambie), St Mary's (Dookie) and St Mary's
(Mooroopna) it has been decided upon the following Mass time changes:

-St Malachy's (Nagambie) from 9am to NEW TIME of 8.45am on Sundays

-St Mary's (Dookie) from 9.30am to NEW TIME of 10am on Sundays

-St Mary's (Mooroopna) from 10am to NEW TIME of 10.30am on Sundays

The reasons for these changes have been based upon three (3) main considerations:

1. To give our priests safe travel time between the Parish Churches
2. For our priests to spend sufficient time encountering and
getting to know parishioners after Mass
3. In order for our priests not to rush through the celebration of Mass

***Thank you for your support and understanding and we hope that together
we can positively embrace these changes for the greater good of our communities.***



CHURCH CLOSED DURING DAY FOR RECORDING

Every week ICON Ministry streams an online Mass. Most weeks it reaches 10,000 viewers.

Fr Rob is the main celebrant and guest priests also feature, Fr Adi for example. Each week there
are musicians from around the world that send in songs. Recording of such will be occurring from

11.30am to 4.30pm on Saturday, October 11. We will need to CLOSE the CHURCH during these hours.

Sorry if this may cause any inconvenience and thanks for your patience and understanding!


 Are you thinking of becoming a Catholic?
R.C.I.A.

ENQUIRY NIGHT
 Thursday, 9 October
 7.30pm start
 121 Knight Street, St Brendan's Pastoral Centre (behind the Church)
 RSVP: Anthony Kilmartin 5821 2633



FOCUS | How the church and our faith lead us to a relationship with God, through joining a community of faith.

Daylight saving begins on
Sunday, October 5 at 2 am.
 Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour.



St Brendan's Parish Trivia Night
Friday, October 17
 6:00pm – 9:00pm
 Sacred Heart Hall,
 Notre Dame College



Entry: \$10 per person (cash only)
 6–8 people per table
 Come dressed in your most creative costume — the best themed table will win a prize!
 BYO drinks and nibbles
 Don't forget coins for extra games and challenges!
 All proceeds will go towards supporting our parish youth programs.
 For further details, keep an eye on our Facebook page or contact the Parish Office:
 5821 2633 between the hours of 9am and 2pm or email,
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St Brendan's Parish Melbourne Cup Sweep Fundraiser 2025

Purchase tickets throughout October to go in the draw.

Tickets can be purchased:

- Before, during or after each Mass
- Sold at the Parish Office
- EFT Transfer:

St Brendan's Parish

BSB: 083 543

Account Number:

48359-3006

Reference: CUP (Surname)



Funds raised go towards cleaning the high arches and fans in the Church.

MARIAN FESTIVAL 2025
Sunday, October 12
Sacred Heart Cathedral Bendigo
Commencing with Mass at 11am
All welcome!



Charismatic Prayer Group
Wednesday, October 8 at 1.30 pm in the MacKillop Room.
 All are welcome—come and join us.
 Enquiries to: Lorelei Goodall
 5798 5331.



Parish Office Closure
 Please note the Parish Office will be closed on
Tuesday, October 7 and Wednesday, October 8 while our Administration Staff attend an Administration Conference in Bendigo.
We will reopen as usual on Thursday, October 9.



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