



EAST GIPPSLAND PARISHES IN PARTNERSHIP

St Colman's Orbost, St Brendan's Lakes Entrance,
St Joseph's Swan Reach, St Dymphna's Buchan,
St Peter's Mallacoota



'Aspires to be a welcoming Spirit filled community, gathering together to celebrate God's presence, giving thanks for the many gifts we share and reaching out with compassion and support to all'

PARISH CONTACTS

Parish Priest: Fr Michael Willemsen

Associate Pastor: Fr Jayakody Francis

40 Golf Links Rd, (PO Box 4) Lakes Entrance, 3909

Phone/Fax: 5155 1292 **E-mail:** stbrendan@bigpond.com

Combined Parishes' Office - Phone: 5155 5232

Mary Haber: Tuesday to Thursday, 8.30am – 4.00pm

Sister Madeleine White RSJ, Orbost, **Ph:** 5154 1512

Sister Lynette Young RSJ, L/Entrance, **Ph:** 5155 1210

Sacramental Co-Ordinators:

Sr Madeleine White - Orbost, Michelle Grimsted - LE

Our Schools:

St Brendan's School – Lakes Entrance,

Mr Matthew Hamer, Principal, **Ph:** 5155 2712.

St Joseph's School - Orbost,

Mrs Marie Dodson, Principal, **Ph:** 5154 1289.

Nagle College – Bairnsdale,

Mr Neville Powles, Principal, **Ph:** 5152 6122

St Brendan's Op Shop: 5 Bulmer St - **Ph:** 0422 920 829

Tuesday's, Wednesday's & Thursday's 10am - 2pm

St Vincent de Paul: 0437 495 070 L.E.

MEETINGS:

LE Parish Pastoral Council - Dec 2nd H/Room 6.30pm

Orbost Parish Pastoral Council - Dec 9th Presbytery 6pm

LITURGY / MASS TIMES

COVID-19..... REGIONAL VICTORIA: NEXT STEP

INDOOR MASSES - LIMITED NUMBERS PER CHURCH

BOOKINGS NOT REQUIRED AT THIS STAGE, COVID PROTOCOLS STILL IN PLACE

Tue:	1/12	No Mass		
Wed:	2/12	St. Colman's	Orbost	9.30am
Thur:	3/12	Kalimna NH	Kalimna	10.30am
Frid:	4/12	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.30am
Sat:	5/12	St. Colman's	Orbost	5.00pm
Sun:	6/12	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00am
		St. Joseph's	Swan Reach	11.00am

ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH LAKES ENTRANCE will be open daily for **PRIVATE PRAYER** from **9am - 4pm** with the **recommended guidelines**.

RECONCILIATION: Before Mass at St. Brendan's; *or by arrangement*.

Before 5pm Mass at Orbost on 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday; *or by arrangement*.

ST. BRENDAN'S - ROSARY: 1st Saturday of the Month at **10am**

VISITATIONS: Please contact the Parish Office to request a home visit.

ST. COLMAN'S - ROSARY: Half hour before Mass

If a Priest is required, please contact St. Mary's 5152 3106

PLANNED GIVING/OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS: EFT or Cheques as follows:-

ST. BRENDAN'S - Send cheques to P.O. Box 4, Lakes Entrance. 3909.

EFT to: BSB: 083-879 A/C: 865044387 Reference: **Envelope No. + Name**

ST. COLMAN'S - Send cheques to P.O. Box 104, Orbost. 3888.

EFT to: BSB: 083-879 A/C: 527734545 Reference: **Envelope No. + Name**

Our Parishes in Partnership of East Gippsland acknowledge the Gunai Kurnai people, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

ST. BRENDAN'S ROSTER

November 2020	Welcomer/ Set up etc	Commentator/ POF	Reader	Church Cleaners
Sun 29th Nov - 9am	Marg East	Ida Mariani	Danny Mulqueen	
December 2020	Welcomer/ Set up etc	Commentator/ POF	Reader	Church Cleaners
Sun 6th Dec - 9am	Dianne Clark	Pat Taylor	Sr Lynette	Pam & Dianne
Sat 12th Dec - 5pm	Jan Hayes	Louise Anketell	Jan Hughes	Helen I & Ingrid
Sun 13th Dec - 9am	Mary Haber	Kaye Schrueders	Danny Mulqueen	
Sun 20th Dec - 9am	Marg East	Pat Taylor	Mick Collins	Pam & Dianne

LE Ladies of the Parish Morning Tea - Monday 7th December at The Barn, 5 Comers Rd, Kalimna at 10.00a.m. Join us for a cuppa before Christmas.

ST. COLMAN'S: Roster for December

Counters: Marie & Flora
Flowers: Glynis
Cleaning Church: Aileen & Irene
Church Linen: Carol

This week: **Saturday 5pm**

Commentator: Helen Donnellan
Reader: Robyn Hewson

Next Week: **Saturday 5pm**

Commentator: Susan Ross
Reader: Carol Moore

Collections: 16 - 22/11/20 St. Brendan's : \$ 1,301- St. Colman's: \$ 834- (2weeks) St. Dymphna's: \$-

Thank you for your ongoing generous contributions to our Parish Community.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR B

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

FIRST READING:

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8

You, Lord, yourself are our Father,
Our Redeemer is your ancient name.
Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways
and harden our hearts against fearing you?
Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your
inheritance.
Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down
– at your Presence the mountains would melt.
No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like
this for those who trust him.
You guide those who act with integrity and keep your
ways in mind.
You were angry when we were sinners;
we had long been rebels against you.
We were all like men unclean,
all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing.
We have all withered like leaves
and our sins blew us away like the wind.
No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch
hold of you.
For you hid your face from us
and gave us up to the power of our sins.
And yet, Lord, you are our Father;
we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work of
Your hand.

The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19. R. v. 4
Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face
and we shall be saved.

1. O shepherd of Israel, hear us,
shine forth from your cherubim throne.
O Lord, rouse up your might,
O Lord, come to our help. **(R.)**
2. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. **(R.)**
3. May your hand be on the man you have chosen,
the man you have given your strength.
And we shall never forsake you again:
give us life that we may call upon your name. **(R.)**

SECOND READING: 1:3-9

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul's to the Corinthians

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you
grace and peace.
I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have

received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been
enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and
preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong
among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of
the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be
revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until
the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by
calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is
faithful.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake,
because you never know when the time will come. It is like a
man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his
servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the
doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not
know when the master of the house is coming, evening,
midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must
not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay
awake!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

The mystery of faith.

All: Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us
free.

Readings supplied from: 'Liturgy Help'



PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

***O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.***

***Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.***

Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.

***Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.***

***Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.***

***Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.***

Amen.

Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.

St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

Plenary Council 2020



Advent-Christmas 2020 (Year B)

The Work of Christmas

When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone, when
the kings and princes are home, when the
shepherds are back with their flocks, the
work of Christmas begins: to find the lost,
to heal the broken, to feed the hungry, to
release the prisoner, to rebuild the
nations, to bring peace among the
people, to make music in the heart.

Howard Thurman in *The Mood of Christmas and Other
Celebrations* (Friends United Press: Richmond IN) 1985

WE PRAY FOR: OUR RECENTLY DECEASED: Victims of Covid-19, Bushfire Victims, Victims of tragic accidents on our roads, Victims of terrorist attacks, war and conflict, asylum seekers, Victims of family violence, Victims of poverty, Victims of natural disasters around the world, those whose time has come to leave our world whatever the circumstance.

ALL THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES occur this Month. Fr James Hayes, Fr David Cagney, Mart Giblin, John Metherell and our loved ones known to us.

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace."

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO CALL ON THE LORD FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH including: Fr Bernard Buckley, Maree Geddes, Mardi O'Donnell, Laurie Corbett, Madeleine Thackery, Celine McDowell, Elaine Johnstone. Patrick Young, Mario Kalafatis, John & Shirley, Kathy Covell, Maureen Tuisui, Leo Costello, Maureen Webster, Brian & Evelyn Fitzmaurice, Sal Britto, Sr Anne Tuck, Harry, Cheryl, Andrea

Lord who frees you from sin, save you, and raise you up. Rite of Anointing.

(Please enter the names of those you wish prayers for in the book in the foyer at St. Brendan's or contact the Parish Office EACH MONTH)

PLEASE SEND US AN EMAIL or RING THE OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANYONE YOU WISH TO US TO PRAY FOR. stbrendan@bigpond.com 5155 5232

Towards the mission fields in Darwin.

With the intention of gaining different pastoral experience and on my personal preference from the month of December this year I will be attached to the diocese of Darwin. From the date I arrive in Darwin I will be priest in resident in Melville Island with two parishes namely Pirlangimpi and Milikapity which are First Nations' communities. I am confident with the grace and blessings from God and with my pastoral experiences of the past thirty eight years as a priest, I will be able to immerse myself with the mission work there.

I wish to thank the parish communities of Lakes Entrance and Orbost, the staff at the parish office along with three priests, Frs. Michael, Avinash and Berny for the extended support and solidarity.

My prayers will be with you all and I am certain that you will remember me in your prayers.

May God bless you.

Fr. Francis

Sunday Homilies from St. Mary's Bairnsdale: <https://www.stmarysbairnsdale.net/> or Facebook

Mass for You at home on free- to- air Television **6am Sunday morning** on WINTV Gippsland, Channel 11
or on demand <https://10play.com.au/mass-for-you-at-home/about>



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Check our Diocesan Website for a variety of information! <https://www.cdsale.org.au>



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BULLETIN: Please send articles for the bulletin to the Parish Office by **Wednesday** each week.

Would you like the bulletin emailed to you each week? If so contact the Parish office at: stbrendan@bigpond.com or Phone: 5155 5232

LAKES ENTRANCE

Pastoral Council Committee: Fr Michael, Sr. Lynette, Judy Johnstone, Danny Mulqueen, Margaret Berlingeri, Margaret East and Nicolina Henderson.

Liturgy Committee: Fr Michael, Sr Lynette, Joan Micah, Jan Hayes, Becky McGrath, Julie James, Joy Harris

Finance Committee: Fr Michael, Mike Anketell, John Spirason, Margot Kerby, Pat Taylor, Bernard Abrecht

Parish Safeguarding Officers: Danny Mulqueen - Contact via the Parish Office 5155 5232

Ministers to the Sick: Becky McGrath, Jan Hayes, Glenda Grech, Margaret Berlingeri, Ray & Maureen Kleinitz
Kay Kennedy, Joan Micah, Margaret East, Fay Hammond, Joy Harris, Mary Haber, Pat Keon, Maureen Hamilton

November – The Month of Remembrance



Confirmation is a very significant step in the faith life of a Catholic Christian. It is when a candidate takes on the

responsibility for their own faith and beliefs for themselves (with the support of family and their sponsor). It is also the final step of initiation into the Catholic faith. Our candidates have met the challenges of preparation this year, by participating in Google Meet sessions with our Sacramental coordinator. They have also been prepared at home by their families and in the classroom by their teachers. The children are now going to be confirmed on Friday 4th December, by Fr Michael. There will be strict limits on numbers, so this means that those who might otherwise have gone to support them, other than immediate family, will be unable to do so.

We invite parishioners to create a simple card or prayer to give to the candidates, so they can still have a sense of being nurtured by community. Please send to Helen Renehan at school or leave in Parish Office letterbox for distribution.

Please keep these children in your prayers:

Isabelle Bandura, Emma Daly, Charlie Forrester, Max Forrester, Taj Gray, Olivia Greer, Bianca Henderson, Cooper Parfrey, Matilda Richardson, Madeline Thomson, Blake Thomson, Zoe Zagami

Prayer for Bishop-elect Greg Bennet

Eternal God, our Shepherd and Guide
We bless and thank you for the appointment
of your servant, Greg Bennet,
as the tenth Bishop of Sale.

May your Holy Spirit grace him
with the gifts of wisdom and strength, gentleness and compassion,
as he prepares to take up his role as our pastor and teacher.
May he be a shepherd after your own heart,
who will walk in your ways and, with loving care, watch over your people.
May he be a leader of vision and a teacher of your truth.

As Bishop-elect Bennet prepares to make his home among us,
may we welcome him joyfully into our Diocesan community,
now entrusted to his care and leadership.

May we, as the Body of Christ in the Diocese of Sale, through our work and
prayer together bear witness to Christ and the building up of your kingdom.
We ask this through your Son Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen,

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, pray for us
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.



St. Brendan's Catholic Church Lakes Entrance is seeking to employ a Parish Secretary.

The primary objective of the role is to provide administrative services to the Parish. The role requires compassion, discretion, complete confidentiality, a "can do" attitude and a willingness to work autonomously. It requires a person who understands the nature of the front line responsibility of representing the Parish. This position does require an understanding and support of the ethos of the Catholic Church. Submission of resume's and request for a full Job Description, please contact St. Brendan's Parish Office via stbrendan@bigpond.com or phone the Parish office Tuesday to Thursday on 03 51555232.

Advent 2020 with Bruce Downes The Catholic Guy: Join me and people all around the world and Expect the Unexpected!

Sign up for a free daily email devotional that will guide you on a life-changing journey through Advent.

Starting November 29th you'll receive daily emails with short inspirational videos from Bruce Downes, full of real life stories and practical ways to become all that God has created you to be! Register for more information: <https://brucedownes.org/registerforadvent> E: info@brucedownes.org

CatholicCare Telephone Counselling Service Available

Therese Kearney from CatholicCare is available by phone on Tuesdays and Wednesdays for any parents who might need someone to talk to. Whether be it about themselves or about their children. If they are anxious or worried about the effect that the Corona Virus is having on their lives, the bushfires or anything else that may be a worry to them. Please take advantage of this offer, for anyone in need. Telephone Therese Kearney on 0400 783 342 any Tuesday or Wednesday

Bulletins are available via: The front foyer at St. Brendan's and Email - let us know on stbrendan@bigpond.com
Please advise the Parish Office if you or someone you know would like one delivered to their letter box.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Dec 2: LE Pastoral Council Meeting 6.30pm
Dec 4: Sacrament of Confirmation - LE
Dec 9: Orbost Pastoral Council meeting 6pm
Dec 8: Ordination of Bishop-Elect Greg Bennet
Dec 16: CWL Meeting - Hobby room 10.30am

Bishop-elect Gregory Bennet will be
ordained and installed as the Tenth
Bishop of Sale in St Mary's Cathedral Sale.
Tuesday 8th December 11am
Livestream: [https://www.cdsale.org.au/
bishop-ordination-bennet](https://www.cdsale.org.au/bishop-ordination-bennet)



How is God calling
us to be a
Christ-centred
Church?

Plenary Council
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...



<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/plenary-post/>

LAKES ENTRANCE COMBINED CHURCHES FOOD APPEAL: During the month of December, we are asking for large tins of Fruit. Thank you for your support of our vulnerable. **Please leave in the basket provided in the foyer at St. Brendan's church.**

CHILD SAFE PARISHES - In our Parishes in Partnership we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of all people, especially children, the disabled and vulnerable adults, as our central and fundamental responsibility. This commitment is drawn from, and inherent to, the teachings and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and the sanctity of each human person at the heart of the Gospel.

We are committed to ensuring that our Parish community promote the inherent dignity of every individual and their fundamental right to be respected and nurtured in a safe Parish environment. If you have any concerns please contact: **Parish Safeguarding Officers 5155 5232**

ORBOST: Pastoral Council Committee: Fr Michael, Sr Madeleine, Irene Otuto, Glynis Clay, Chris Shanahan, Mick Bergin

Finance Committee: Fr Michael, Marie Donchi, Susan Ross

Parish Safeguarding Officers: Susan Ross, Carol Moore - Contact via the Parish Office 5155 5232