



## 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



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and reaching out with compassion and support to all.*

### PARISH CONTACTS

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**Process 2024:** Lisa McKenna / Orbost & Joan Micah / Lakes Entrance.

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Tuesday to Thursday 10am - 3pm

**SVDP Conference** - 339 Esplanade - Ph: 0457 213 288

Open :- Wednesdays & Fridays. 10 am - 2 pm.

### LITURGY / MASS TIMES

**Tues 16th Sept:** St. Brendan's Lakes Entrance 9.30am

**Wed 17th Sept:** St. Colman's Orbost 9.30am

**Fri 19th Sept:** St. Brendan's Lakes Entrance 9.30am

**Sat 20th Sept:** St. Dymphna's Buchan No Mass

Fr. Hiep away in Melbourne for ordination to Priesthood mass.

St. Joseph's Swan Reach 5.00pm

**Sun 21st Sept:** St. Brendan's Lakes Entrance 9.00am

St. Colman's Orbost 11.00am

**EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION:** After Friday 9.30 am Mass.

**RECONCILIATION:** St Brendan's & St Colman's: Before Mass or by appointment.

**VISITATIONS:** Please contact the Parish Office in confidence to request a home visit, or if you have any concerns you wish to raise.

**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



### Working Bee

This Saturday 13th Sept. At  
St. Brendan's 10.30 am start

Please bring your own gardening  
tools.



### Thank you.

To all our new volunteers who have put  
their names down. And to those who  
already assist in the Ministries. We are  
always happy to include new volunteers,  
and in receiving more forms returned.

You do need a WWC and  
Code of Conduct signature.

### ST. BRENDAN'S ROSTER

Month: Sept 2025.	Set up for Mass	Welcomer	Commentator & Prayers of the Faithful	Lector / Reader Proclaimer of the Word	Eucharist Minister x3 needed.	Flowers	Altar Linen ( Sept)	Music Ministry
Sunday 14th Sept 24th Sunday in Ord Time - <b>Exaltation of the Holy Cross.</b>	Vacant	Front: Helen Ireland Back: Vacant	Vacant	Louise Anketell	1. Vacant 2. Marie Dodson 3. Vacant	Vacant	Marg East	Pete / Debbie & choir P/P- Joy
Sunday 21st Sept 25th Sunday in Ord Time	Joan Micah	Front: Eileen Adami Back: Vacant	Maureen Hamilton	Jan Hughes	1. Joan Micah 2. Vacant 3. Vacant	Vacant	Marg East	Helen Renehan
Sunday 28th Sept 26th Sunday in Ord Time	Mary Haber	Front: Vacant Back: Vacant	Vacant	Vacant	1. Mary Haber 2. Dianne Clarke 3. Maureen Hamil- ton	Vacant	Marg East	Choir led by Sonya Badrock P/p Joy.

### **Entrance Antiphon -**

We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection,  
through whom we are saved and delivered.

### **First Reading**

**A reading from the book of Numbers  
21: 4-9**

On the way through the wilderness, the Israelites lost patience. They spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt to die in this wilderness? For there is neither bread nor water here; we are sick of this unsatisfying food.' At this God sent fiery serpents among the people; their bite brought death to many in Israel. The people came and said to Moses, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you. Intercede for us with the Lord to save us from these serpents.' Moses interceded for the people, and the Lord answered him, 'Make a fiery serpent and put it on a standard. If anyone is bitten and looks at it, he shall live.' So Moses fashioned a bronze serpent which he put on a standard, and if anyone was bitten by a serpent, he looked at the bronze serpent and lived.

**The Word of the Lord - Thanks Be To God**

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 77: 1-2, 34-38  
R. v. 7**

**(R.)** Do not forget the works of the Lord!

1. Give heed, my people, to my teaching;  
turn your ear to the words of my mouth.  
I will open my mouth in a parable  
and reveal hidden lessons of the past. (R.)
2. When he slew them then they would seek him,  
return and seek him in earnest.  
They would remember that God was their rock,  
God the Most High their redeemer. (R.)
3. But the words they spoke were mere flattery;  
they lied to him with their lips.  
For their hearts were not truly with him;  
they were not faithful to his covenant. (R.)
4. Yet he who is full of compassion  
forgave their sin and spared them.  
So often he held back his anger  
when he might have stirred up his rage. (R.)

### **Second Reading**

**A reading from the letter of St. Paul to  
Philippians 2: 6-11**

The state of Jesus was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.

But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
We adore you, O Christ, and we praise you,  
because by your cross you have redeemed the world.  
Alleluia!

### **Gospel**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
John 3: 13-17**

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'No one has gone up to heaven  
except the one who came down from heaven,  
the Son of Man who is in heaven;  
and the Son of Man must be lifted up  
as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert,  
so that everyone who believes may have eternal life  
in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much  
that he gave his only Son,  
so that everyone who believes in him may not be  
lost  
but may have eternal life.  
For God sent his Son into the world  
not to condemn the world,  
but so that through him the world might be saved.'

**The Gospel of the Lord- Praise to you Lord  
Jesus Christ.**

### **The Mystery Of Faith:**

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection,  
until you come again.**

### **Gospel Reflection:**

The bronze serpent on a standard is a well known symbol of the medical profession. Its origins go back to the time when God healed the repentant Israelites in the wilderness through a bronze serpent that Moses fashioned and placed on a standard. In today's Gospel, Jesus applies this image to his own crucifixion. By being lifted up on the cross he will bring healing and eternal life to all who believe in him.

## Our Parish Prayer

Lord, source of all our strength, support each of us in our parish. Grant us the courage to be open to each other and to not be fearful of the new and different. Strengthen us with a willingness to risk for the sake of Your Kingdom. It is our wish, Lord and God, that the true desire of our parish be our spiritual transformation and not simply the accomplishment of tasks and projects. We ask this of you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



## Our Vision

At St Brendan's, we aspire 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.

### WE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Brian Covell, Neil Geddes, Bishop Peter Eliot.

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.

### FOR ALL THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR (Sept)

Elizabeth Morabito, Mary Crea, Margaret Tobin, Patrick Tobin, Dale Walkinshaw, Jane Knoblock, Jessica Martin, Troy Bryce.

### WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO CALL ON THE LORD FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH (Sept) including:

Joshua & David O'Brien, Ingrid Rice, Daniel McGrath, Helen MacCubbin, Luise Gooden, Julia Hunter, Jay Haslam, Michael O'Donnell, Fr Bernard Buckley. And our sick Priests and Deacons in our Diocese.

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

### SPECIAL INTENTIONS:-

(Please enter/renew the names of those you wish prayers for in the book in the foyer at St. Brendan's EACH MONTH or contact the Parish Office) Please ensure that the names of the sick that you list actually wish to be / remain on the prayer list as we have been informed of some have recovered and some who do not wish to be listed.

St Colman's Roster	Cleaning	Counting	Linen	Commentator & Reader
Sept	Carol	Carol Moore & Marie Donchi	Bruna Di Nicolò	Helen Donnellan & Darren Downey

### Some News from the Pews / Claim the dates:

**Rosters for Sep/ Oct are available for filling. It would assist with planning if we had 3 weeks in advance full.**

**A gentle reminder that you do need a Working with Children's Check.**

**If anyone has Flowers for Sunday Mass can they be dropped in on Saturday morning please.**

### LAKES ENTRANCE

**Pastoral Council Committee:** Fr Hiep, Jess McManus, Jan Hughes, Marie Dodson, Helen Renahan, Cherie Armistead, Lucas Drew, Stephen Ivanczuk.

**Liturgy Committee:** Fr Hiep, Jan Hayes, Joy Harris, Margaret East, Joan Micah, Vincenzo de Simone.

**Finance Committee:** Fr Hiep, Bernard Abrecht, Lena Zagami, Danny Mulqueen, Ida Mariani, Arthur Allen

**Parish Safeguarding Officer:** Danny Mulqueen  
Contact via the Parish Office 5155 5232

**Ministers to the Sick:** Becky McGrath, Jan Hayes, Margaret Berlinger, Margaret East, Fay Hammond, Mary Haber, Lis Wolffenbuttel, Joan Micah-emergency, Joy Harris.

### Baptism Sacrament

The Baptism information session will be held on **Saturday 27th Sept. 11 am.** held at St. Brendan's Church. This is for Babies, toddlers up to and including school aged children, especially if you are considering your child / children to be receiving Sacraments this year or next. These sessions will only be held if bookings are made. Could parents please contact the Parish Office to express your desire to have your child Baptised into the Catholic faith **by the 15th September.**



*The Sacraments of Initiation are family based, Parish centred and school / Catechist supported.*



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.

- ♦ **Sat 13th Sept** - Working Bee for the Seasons of Creation at 10.30 am
- ♦ **Wed 17th Sept** - PPC Meeting St. Brendan's 5 pm.
- ♦ **Sun 21st Sept** - PPC Meeting at St. Colman's after Mass.
- ♦ **Sat 27th Sept** - Baptism Information session at St. Brendan's Church 11am Bookings are required
- ♦ **Tues 30th Sept** - Liturgy Meeting at 2pm in Hobby Room.
- ♦ **Sat 25th Oct** - Mass and Welcoming Dinner for New Parishioners at 5 pm. Followed by dinner at St. Mary's MacKillop School Hall.
- ♦ **Thur 16th Oct** - Sacrament of Reconciliation Parent information session in hobby room 3.30 pm.



### Collections: 30th - 5th Sept '25

St Brendan's / St. Joseph's \$ 2867.70  
St Colman's \$ 143.90

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

### Special Collection Priests Welfare Foundation.

St. Brendan's \$ 442.50

We are still accepting envelopes, if you would like to donate, the envelopes are in the entrance of Church. Thankyou for your co-operation & generous donation.

## 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

## Safetrac Training

For those that have put their names down for the Safetrac training.

It will be held after mass on

- Sunday 21st September
- Sunday 28th September.



## Sacrament of Reconciliation 2025

St Brendan's Parish is preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation to be celebrated in November. Children who are baptised are invited to enrol into the program now. Enrolments close 18<sup>th</sup> September 2025.

To discuss this further, please contact Michelle Grimsted at the Parish Centre on 5152 2942 or via email [stm.michelleg@gmail.com](mailto:stm.michelleg@gmail.com)

Blessings always, Michelle - Sacramental Coordinator

## Earth care Parish

Affirming Ecological Practice

St. Brendan's Parish Lakes Entrance is committed to our common home; for our journey in becoming a living Laudato Si' community.

## SAFEGUARDING IN OUR PARISHES IN PARTNERSHIP

We hold as our central and fundamental responsibility the care, safety and well being of all people; especially children, the disabled, vulnerable adults, people of diverse cultures and Indigenous people. 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. If you have any concerns please contact Parish Safeguarding Officer Danny Mulqueen via the Parish Office 0468 840 349.

**ORBOST: Pastoral Council Committee:** Fr Hiep, Robyn Hewson, Flora Smooker, Helen Donnellan, Lisa McKenna Darren Downey.

**Finance Committee:** Fr Hiep, Marie Donchi, Chris Shanahan, Brian Cottier.

**Parish Safeguarding Officers:** Robyn Hewson - Contact via the Parish Office on 5155 5232

**Ministers of the Sick:** Carol Moore, Darren Downey, Lisa McKenna, Robyn Hewson.