



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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PARISH CONTACTS

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Entrance

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Tuesday to Thursday 10am - 3pm

LITURGY / MASS TIMES

Tuesday 11th Feb:	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	No Mass
Wed 12th Feb:	St. Colman's	Orbost	No Mass
Friday 14th Feb:	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	No Mass
Saturday 15th Feb:	St Dymphna's	Buchan	No Mass
	St. Joseph's	Swan Reach	No Mass
Sunday 16th Feb:	St. Brendan's	Lakes Entrance	9.00am
	St. Colman's	Orbost	11.00am

EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION:

(After Friday 9.30am Mass:)

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

ROSARY:

St Brendan's: **1st Saturday of the month @ 8.45am (1st March 2025)**
St Colman's: Half an hour before Mass.

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



Mass times:

**While Fr. Hiep is away
our Mass times will be
altered.
Please check the
Bulletin weekly when
Mass is on.**

**We welcome Fr. Peter Bickley who will be here for Masses
while Fr. Hiep is away.**

Thank you Fr. Bickley for your visiting and supply.

ST. BRENDAN'S ROSTER

Month February	Set up for Mass	Welcomer	Commentator & Prayers of the Faithful	Reader Proclaimer of the Word	Eucharist Minister	Flowers	Altar Linen	Music Ministry
Sunday 9th Feb 5th Sun in Ord Time Yr C	Dianne Clarke	Front: Helen Ireland Back: : Connie Zammit	Jan Hughes	Louise Anketell	Dianne Clarke	Joy Harris	Dianne Clarke	Vincent De Simone & choir P/p Joy Harris
Sunday 16th Feb 6th Sun in Ord Time Yr C	Vacant	Front :Rhiannon & Lexi Drew Back: Helen Spralja	Maureen Hamilton	Helen R.	Becky McGrath	Joy Harris	Dianne Clarke	Vincent De Simone & choir P/p Joy Harris
Sunday 23rd Feb 7th Sun in Ord Time Yr C	Mary Haber	Front: Joy Harris Back: Vacant	Elisabeth Wolffenbuttel	Ingrid	Mary Haber	Joy Harris	Dianne Clarke	Joan Micah

Entrance Antiphon -

O come, let us worship God
and bow low before the God who made us,
for he is the Lord our God.

First Reading

A reading from the book of Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings.

And they cried out to one another in this way,

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.
His glory fills the whole earth.'

The foundations of the threshold shook with
the voice of the one who cried out, and
the Temple was filled with smoke. I said:

'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost,
for I am a man of unclean lips
and I live among a people of unclean lips,
and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord
of hosts.'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said:

'See now, this has touched your lips,
your sin is taken away,
your iniquity is purged.'

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying:

'Whom shall I send? Who will be our
messenger?'

I answered, 'Here I am, send me.'

The Word of the Lord - Thanks Be To God

Responsorial Psalm Ps 137:1-5, 7-8 R. v. 1.

(R.) In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. (R.)
2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. (R.)
3. All earth's kings shall thank you
when they hear the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the Lord's ways;
'How great is the glory of the Lord!' (R.)
4. You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

Second Reading

**A reading from the first letter to the
Corinthians. 15:1 -11**

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you –

believing anything else will not lead to anything.

Well then, in the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it.

I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

The Word of the Lord - Thanks Be To God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of my people.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 2:22-40

Jesus was standing one day by the lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats – it was Simon's – and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

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

**The Mystery Of Faith:
Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.**

Gospel Reflection:

In today's Scripture reading the Prophet Isaiah, apostle Paul and Peter each acknowledges that he is a sinner. "I am a man of unclean lips, cries Isaiah. "I persecuted the Church of God, confesses Paul. "I am a sinful man" says Peter. They know their need of forgiveness but they are also aware of the power of God at work in them. We too are sinners, but if we have faith in the grace of God working within us, we can be great missionaries as well.

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

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WE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Mary Renehan, Fr. Dennis Carrabot, Elsie Stirling, Reg Sanders, Rose Kelly, Margaret Hibbert.

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 (February)

Kevin Tobin, Beryl Roswell, Marie Gomez, Frank Robinson, Terry & Maria Vazirianis, Franc Adami, Pat Ledwith, Jill Ferguson, Joseph Borg.

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

Mick Collins, Patricia White, 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:-

Safety Stability, Pray for Taiwan—No natural disaster.

(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
Feb	Giovanni Sanna	Cathy & Brian Cotter	Bruna Di Nicolo	Helen Donnellan & Darren Downey

Some News from the Pews / Claim the dates:

The roster for February is now printed and mostly Filled. Thankyou in advance for those who have taken on board the "self rostering" whilst Luise Gooden has a break.

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

LAKES ENTRANCE

Pastoral Council Committee: Fr Hiep, Jess McManus, Jan Hughes, Marie Dodson, Helen Renehan, 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, Mary Haber, 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.

Earth care Parish

Affirming Ecological Practice

St. Brendan's Parish Lakes Entrance has committed for our common home and begun its journey to becoming a living Laudato Si' community.

As Pilgrims of Hope
Come experience a spiritual journey praying the Rosary with Mary in contemplation with her son Jesus.

St Mary's Parish Bairnsdale invites you to an online community Register for this free weekly ZOOM gathering on Monday nights: 7.00pm - 7.30pm Join us whenever you can!

Contact Michelle to receive a link to participate
Email: stm.michelleg@gmail.com or phone 03 5152 2942

Word of God-
Sunday 9th Feb 2025.

To celebrate the word of God.

Parishioners are welcome to bring their Bible, Missal or Candle to be blessed at Sundays Mass.



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.

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



- ♦ **Sun 9th Feb** - Morning Tea, after Mass in Hobby Room. All Welcome.
- Bring along your Bible, Missal or Candle for a Blessing this Sunday at Mass for Word of God.
- ♦ **Fri 14-Sat 15th Feb** - Diocesan of Sale Assembly.
- ♦ **Wed 19th Feb** - Catholic Women's League Meeting in Hobby Room at 1.30 pm. New members Welcome. Cuppa and Chat after meeting.
- ♦ **Thurs 20th Feb** - PPC Meeting St. Brendan's 5 pm in Hobby Room.
- ♦ **Fri 21st Feb** - St. Brendan's Finance Meeting 5pm in Hobby Room.
- ♦ **Sun 2nd March** - Sproule Baby Baptism at St Brendan's Church.
- PPC Meeting St. Colman's 12 noon.
- ♦ **Fri 7th March** - World Day of Prayer 2025 St Brendan's Church 1.30 pm.

Ash Wednesday is approx. 4 weeks away, Wed 5th March. It's been many years since we've had a Lenten Study in St Brendan's Parish. Therefore expressions of interest and level of commitment are being sought.

- Would you be interested in attending a Lenten study for 6 weeks?

If Yes, what day/time would suit you? Sat 10ish? Wed 5pm? - Other suggestions welcome.

- Would you be prepared to Lead for one of those 6 weeks? Cost \$10 which includes a booklet.

No decision has been made as to which program to use i.e. Brisbane or Wollongong Diocese.

A sheet is on the noticeboard for the next 2 weeks should you be interested.

For Swan Reach, other Parishioners, including St. Colman.

If you can't get in to put your name down.

Feel free to contact the Parish Office on Wednesdays or Fridays.

January Collections: 25th - 31st Jan '25

St Brendan's / St. Joseph's \$ 1395.75

St Colman's \$ 718.45

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

Representing St Brendan's this week at the Diocesan Assembly are Joan, Danny, Jan & Louise; from St Colman's we have Lisa, Robyn & Andrew. Please pray for all of our delegates and for the Diocese as a whole, that this life giving Assembly will bring forth much fruit from the Spirit who guides us. Come Holy Spirit Come!

The Catholic Women's League will hold their Meeting on Wednesday 19th Feb at 1.30 pm in the Hobby Room. New Members are Welcome, and a cuppa and chat after the Meeting.

World Day of Prayer 2025

Theme: "I Made You Wonderful" Psalm 139:14

Venue: St. Brendan's Church, Lakes Entrance.

Contact: Louise 0408516826

The World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative. It is run under the motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action" and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries. This program invites us to recognize that God created each one of us with great attention and loving care. God knows us intimately, and we are special to God in our uniqueness. When we open the doors of our hearts to this truth, everything in our life changes. Regards. Louise.

Date: Friday 7th March 2025 **Time:** - 1.30 pm.

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.

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

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