

WELCOME TO

ST BRENDAN'S CATHOLIC PARISH



St Brendan's Parish is a Child Safe community. We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all and a zero tolerance to child abuse.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

28 January 2024

First Reading Dt 18:15-20

I will put my words into the prophet's mouth, and he will tell them all I command.

Moses said to the people: 'Your God will raise up for you a prophet like myself, from among yourselves, from your own brothers; to him you must listen. This is what you yourselves asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the Assembly. "Do not let me hear again" you said "the voice of the Lord my God, nor look any longer on this great fire, or I shall die"; and the Lord said to me, "All they have spoken is well said. I will raise up a prophet like yourself for them from their own brothers; I will put my words into his mouth and he shall tell them all I command him. The man who does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name, shall be held answerable to me for it. But the prophet who presumes to say in my name a thing I have not commanded him to say, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall die."

Responsorial Psalm

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

(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 kneel 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 1 Cor 7:32-35

The unmarried woman dedicates herself to the things of the Lord, that she might be holy.

I would like to see you free from all worry. An unmarried man can devote himself to the Lord's affairs, all he need worry about is pleasing the Lord; but a married man has to bother about the world's affairs and devote himself to pleasing his wife: he is torn two ways. In the same way an unmarried woman, like a young girl, can devote herself to the Lord's affairs; all she need worry about is being holy in body and spirit. The married woman, on the other hand, has to worry about the world's affairs and devote herself to pleasing her husband. I say this only to help you, not to put a halter round your necks, but simply to make sure that everything is as it should be, and that you give your undivided attention to the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

A people in darkness have seen a great light:

a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 1:21-28

This is a new kind of teaching that speaks with authority.

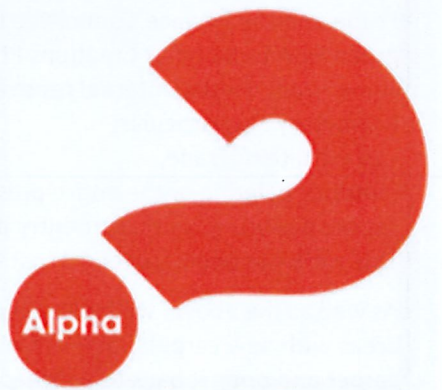
Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum, and as soon as the Sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach. And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted, 'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are: the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!' And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him. The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. 'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it: he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.' And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

There will be an opening year Staff Mass for Notre Dame College held Monday January 29 at 9.15am in St Brendan's Church. All parishioners are welcome and invited to attend this Mass.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Sr Bing will be celebrating 25 years of her Profession on TUESDAY, JANUARY 30. Everyone is welcome to attend the 9.15am Mass on this day followed by a cuppa at the MPJC Centre.



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CUPPA after 9.15am Mass on Thursdays has resumed. All are welcome.



We welcome our School communities back for Term 1 and wish them all a successful and blessed year ahead.



ST BRENDAN'S PARISH NEWS

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*Christ in community ...
 the heart of our faith*

Readers & Commentators February 3 & 4, 2024

6pm	D. Tarquini	K. Hunt
8am	D. Keenan	M. Keenan
11am	R. Aitken	L. Schenker

Recently Deceased: Sr Ann Mary Connelly

Anniversaries: Paul Grace, Maurice McCarroll, Francesco Scarcella

CONGRATULATIONS

Margaret and John Mathewson of Maroochydore, formerly long term local parishioners are celebrating their **70th Wedding Anniversary.**

They were married at St Augustine's, Bourke St., Melbourne on Jan 30, 1954.



St Vincent de Paul Society

The St Brendan's Conference *good works* is looking for more volunteers to work in our welfare centre at 209 Wyndham Street. The role involves working with another St Vincent de Paul conference member to interview clients and assist them with essentials of food/clothing etc in an atmosphere of respect and dignity. The welfare centre is open 5 days per week and the volunteers need to be available between 11.30-2.30pm one day a week/fortnight. For further information and expressions of interest please contact Patricia Crane (President) on 0428 346 347 or Gerry Goonan (Secretary) 0413 400 318.

PRESBYTERY RENOVATIONS

Fr Joe and the Finance Committee have recently given the green light to Nicholas Creations Pty Ltd to undertake some much needed internal renovations within the Presbytery. In particular:

- an ensuite upgrade,
 - interior painting of the entire presbytery,
 - some plastering work, carpentry and finishings.
- This work has been quoted to cost \$108,573.51.

As well as the above, we look to replace some carpeted areas with new carpets. We will also uplift very old carpet and bring it back to polished floor boards. This has been quoted to cost \$23,067.72.

We would be extremely grateful if you could assist the parish with a **ONE OFF DONATION** towards these renovation costs.

These can be made via EFT to the Parish Bank Account:

ACCOUNT NAME: St. Brendans Parish
BSB: 083 543
ACCOUNT NO: 48359 3006
REFERENCE: Renos. (your surname)

The renovations are set to commence on Monday 29th January.

If you would like any further information contact the Parish Office on 5821 2633. *Sincere thanks, Fr Joe*



The Macgill family invite you to our home to celebrate the Feast of the Presentation, the blessing of candles and praying for vocations.

Bring your own candles for "Blessing of Candles".

Venue: 70 Tank Corner East Road, Lemnos

Date: Friday, February 2, 2024

Time: 7.00pm Rosary 7.30pm Mass

Please bring a plate to share and a chair.

Tea and coffee will be provided. All are welcome.

Thanking you, Bernie Macgill 0403 884 131



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