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.



30 June 2024

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

First Reading Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24

It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be – for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying. Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the

world, as those who are his partners will discover.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13, R. v.2

(R.) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

- I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me And have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
 O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into
 - the grave. (R.)
 Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name.

His anger lasts but a moment: his favour through life.
At night there are tears, but joy comes with

The Lord listened and had pity.
 The Lord came to my help.

 For me you have changed my mourning into dancing,
 O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Cor 8:7. 9. 13-15

Your abundance should supply their want.

dawn. (R.)

You always have the most of everything - of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection - so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Tm 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death

and brought us life through his gospel. Allelula!

Gospel Mk 5:21-43 or shorter form Mk 5:21 1-24. 35-43

Young girl, I say to you, arise.

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I will be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?" But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kuml' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.



Reflection by Greg Sunter

This week's gospel passage presents two accounts, one, in effect, 'interrupting' or being framed by the other. Jesus is approached by the synagogue official, Jairus, to come and heal his dying daughter. In the milling and surging crowd, Jesus suddenly becomes aware of being touched by someone. The story of the woman with a haemorrhage is a story of social and religious isolation as much as it is a story of illness and pain. Because of the Jewish prohibitions against blood, the woman would have been regarded as permanently impure and unclean. She would have been unable to engage in any worship; she could not touch another person without also making them unclean; she was effectively outcast for the 12 years of her illness. She knew it would be forbidden for her to touch Jesus openly but took her chances of being unobserved in the crowd - she risked all on the belief that even touching Jesus' cloak might heal her. Jesus immediately stopped and drew attention to the woman. By doing so he made it clear to her that it was her faith that had healed her (a feature of healing stories in the Gospel of Mark). His actions also made it clear to the crowd that she was now healed and should not be shunned any longer; she was publicly declared fit to re-enter society and religious participation. After 12 years of virtual nonexistence, the woman was now able to begin her life again. The delay, however, meant that Jairus' daughter was dead by the time Jesus arrived. Undeterred, Jesus performs another miracle and raises the girl from death. The girl was 12 years old - the same 12 years the woman suffered with a haemorrhage - and now she too was able to begin her life again. There is a neatness and a completeness about the two stories.

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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.

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 6pm Sunday 8am & 11am



Syro Malabar Rite: Wednesday 6.00pm, Saturday 8.30am, Sunday 5.30pm

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 5pm to 6pm

Reconciliation next Saturday, July 6, will be from the slightly later time of 10am until 10.30am.

Thanks to Fr Ruel for making himself available for us."

HAPPY 80th BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to Lorraine Stein who celebrated her 80th birthday on Friday 28th June.



Annual Collection to support the work of the Holy Father (Peter's Pence)

This weekend (during all the Masses) we will be dedicating the SECOND COLLECTION to the Holy Father.

This collection is used for two primary purposes:

- ⇒ To support the Pope's service of the universal Church, carried out by the Dicasteries that assist him in evangelization, the promotion of integral human development, education, communication, etc.;
- ⇒ To contribute to numerous charitable works directly assisting the most in need (people and families in distress, populations hit by natural disasters or war, or who are in need of humanitarian assistance or development support).

Thank you everyone for your support. It is greatly appreciated.

Juleye: Juleye is an annual campaign (July 1-31) designed to raise awareness and protect our eyes from preventable eye diseases. In Australia, more than 453,000 people are blind or vision-impaired, with the prevalence being three times more for Indigenous Australians than non-Indigenous. Almost one third of Australians do not have regular eye tests. Yet 80% say that sight is their most valued sense. About 90% of blindness and vision impairment is preventable or treatable if detected early. So, think about making an appointment this month!

Mary Pianta. Disability Contact Coord. Diocese of Sandhurst.

Anniversaries: Maria Francavilla,

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Readers & Commentators July 6 & 7, 2024

6pm A. Kilmartin D. Sullivan 8am P. Guthrie D. Teitzel 11am J-M. Mupenda M. Frizzell

St Brendan's Church Anointing Mass, 11am, Wednesday July 3.



Friday, July 5, join us for **Serra Club Mass** with Fr Jophin. Adoration will continue from 5pm until 7.15pm Mass, and cuppa will be held afterwards in the Parish Centre. All welcome.



Serra Club Bendigo feast of St Junipero Serra:

The feast day of St Junipero Serra will be celebrated with 6pm Mass at St Liborius Church on Monday July 1.

All are invited to also attend the film of St Junipero Serra's life, "Seven Cities of Gold" at the St Liborius Centre, after Mass. A plate for supper would be appreciated.

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