



St Brendan's & St Mary's Parishes are child safe communities. We promote the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all and a zero tolerance to child abuse.

**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A**

**21 June 2026**

**First Reading** Jer 20:10-13

*A reading from the prophet Jeremiah*  
He has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of those who are evil.

Jeremiah said:

'I hear so many disparaging me,  
"Terror from every side!  
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"  
All those who used to be my friends  
watched for my downfall,  
"Perhaps he will be seduced into error.  
Then we will master him  
and take our revenge!"  
But the Lord is at my side,  
a mighty hero;  
my opponents will stumble, mastered,  
confounded by their failure;  
everlasting, unforgettable disgrace  
will be theirs.  
But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe  
with justice,  
who scrutinise the loins and heart,  
let me see the vengeance you will take  
on them,  
for I have committed my cause to you.  
Sing to the Lord,  
praise the Lord,  
for he has delivered the soul  
of the needy  
from the hands of evil men.'

**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 68:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35. R. v.14

*(R.) Lord, in your great love,  
answer me.*

1. It is for you that I suffer taunts,  
that shame covers my face,  
that I have become a stranger to my  
brothers,  
an alien to my own mother's sons.  
I burn with zeal for your house  
and taunts against you fall on me.  
*(R.)*
2. This is my prayer to you,  
my prayer for your favour.  
In your great love, answer me, O God,  
with your help that never fails:  
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;  
in your compassion, turn towards me.  
*(R.)*
3. The poor when they see it will be glad  
and God-seeking hearts will revive;  
for the Lord listens to the needy  
and does not spurn his servants in  
their chains.  
Let the heavens and the earth give  
him praise,  
the sea and all its living creatures.  
*(R.)*

**Second Reading** Rom 5:12-15

*A reading from the letter of St Paul  
to the Romans*

*God's gift to us is nothing like our sin against him.*

Sin entered the world through one man,  
and through sin death, and thus death  
has spread through the whole human race  
because everyone has sinned. Sin existed  
in the world long before the Law was given.  
There was no law and so no one could be  
accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet  
death reigned over all from Adam to Moses,  
even though their sin, unlike that of Adam,  
was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but  
the gift itself considerably outweighed the  
fall. If it is certain that through one man's  
fall so many died, it is even more certain  
that divine grace, coming through the one  
man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an  
abundant free gift.

**Gospel Acclamation** Jn 15:26, 27

*Alleluia, alleluia!*  
*The Spirit of Truth will bear witness  
to me, says the Lord,  
and you also will be my witnesses.*  
*Alleluia!*

**Gospel** Mt 10:26-33

*A reading from the holy Gospel  
according to Matthew*

*Do not fear those who can kill the body.*

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows:  
'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now  
covered will be uncovered, and everything  
now hidden will be made clear. What I say to  
you in the dark, tell in the daylight;  
what you hear in whispers, proclaim from  
the house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body  
but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather  
who can destroy both body and soul in hell.  
Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny?  
And yet not one falls to the ground without  
your Father knowing. Why, every hair on  
your head has been counted. So there is no  
need to be afraid; you are worth more than  
hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in  
the presence of men, I will declare myself  
for him in the presence of my Father in  
heaven. But the one who disowns me in  
the presence of men, I will disown in the  
presence of my Father in heaven.'

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We have some  
*exciting news*  
to share with you all

**A NEW LOOK**  
**IS COMING**

FOR OUR PARISHES OF

ST BRENDAN'S  
SHEPPARTON

ST MARY'S  
DOOKIE

*bulletin...*

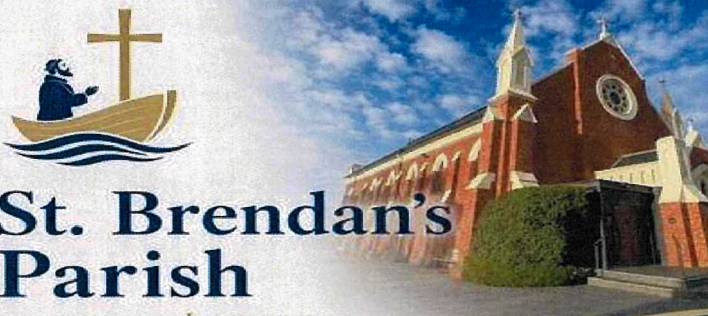
*watch this space!*



To help us keep everything  
running smoothly, please  
ensure all bulletin notices  
are submitted by 9:00am  
each Thursday.

This allows us enough time to prepare the  
bulletin and include as much parish and  
community news as possible.





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**Parish Administrator:** Fr. Ronald Masilang, RCJ  
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**Office Hours:** 9am to 2pm/ Monday to Friday

*Gathered in Faith,  
 Growing in Love, Serving the Community*

**Weekend Mass Times**  
 Saturday Vigil 6pm  
 Sunday 8am & 11am  
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**Syro Malabar Rite: Wednesday 6.00pm,  
 Saturday 8.30am & Sunday 5.30pm**  
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St Mary's Dookie, Sunday 10 am  
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**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 4.45pm - 5.45pm

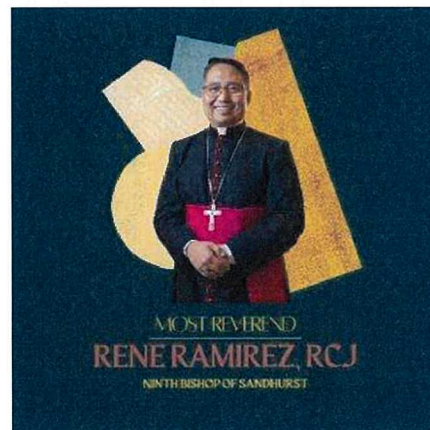
**INSTALLATION MASS OF BISHOP RENE RAMIREZ, RCJ  
 SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL, BENDIGO  
 THURSDAY 30 JULY 2026 @ 11AM**

Parishioners from St Brendan's, Shepparton will be able to attend the Installation Ceremony WITHOUT a NUMBERED LIMIT due to the fact that Bishop Rene has had recent associations with us.

If you are intending to join this most joyous occasion, please make contact with the parish office **BY TUESDAY 30 JUNE** with:

- ⇒ **Your Name and**
- ⇒ **Your email address**

*Thank you for your co-operation.*



**THANK YOU SR AGNES**



A lovely morning tea was held in our Pastoral Centre on Thursday 18 June in honour of Sr Agnes who has been heavily involved in our Parish for the past 10 years.

We wish her well with her move to Essendon this coming week.

You will be missed.

God Bless Sr Agnes.

**Refugee Week 2026 takes place from 15 to 21 June, coinciding with World Refugee Day on 20 June.**

Refugee Week is the world's largest arts and culture festival celebrating the contributions, creativity, and resilience of refugees and people seeking sanctuary.

In 2026, the theme is **Courage**, highlighting the daily bravery of refugees as they navigate new environments, learn languages, and rebuild their lives while facing uncertainty and challenges (Refugee Council, UK for UNHCR).



## WITH MUCH GRATITUDE WE THANK

### MAREE GEISLER

Last Saturday (13 June) saw the FINAL DEBUTANTE BALL being led and organized by Maree Geisler - the Dance Instructor, Liaison person, main contact and event organiser who has worked tirelessly for St Brendan's Parish.



We are immensely proud of what she has achieved and are deeply grateful for her unwavering commitment, and endless energy and passion she has poured into these events over the years.

In the past 6 years with Maree's involvement, well over \$50,000 in funds have been raised.

A sincere THANKS too must go to previous people who have volunteered in this space.

Your work has not gone unnoticed.

*Maree - for all the time you've spent and for the incredible work you do we say*

*THANK YOU and GOD BLESS.*

## PARISH EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FRIENDSHIP GROUP LUNCHEON:** Sunday 21 June at 12.30pm at the Peppermill, 7900 Goulburn Valley Highway. Contact Pat on 0423 343 711 (please leave a message).

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**GV DEANERY FORUM (ROUND 2):** Tuesday 23 June from 10am - 3pm, Quality Hotel Parklake, Shepparton. Scan QR Code for further information. RSVP by 9pm Sunday 21 June.

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**MEN'S GROUP:** Saturday 27 June the Men's Group are travelling to Bendigo to visit the Grand Stupa, the largest in the Western World. We will meet in St Brendan's carpark at 8am before travelling to Bendigo. We will tour the temple, and have lunch there, and return to Shepparton between 3 pm-4pm.

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**MUSIC MINISTRY FORMATION:** Saturday 27 June from 10am - 12 noon held at the Pastoral Centre. Presenter: Dr Paul Taylor. Inviting all those at our Masses involved in playing music, singing, choosing hymns and preparing screen presentation.

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**DONATE TO THE VICTIMS OF EARTHQUAKE IN PHILIPPINES:** Please send your donations to St Brendans Bank Details - BSB: 083 543, ACCOUNT: 48359 3006, REFERENCE: EARTHQUAKE. Funds will be forwarded on from there. Please consider this by 26 June.

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**RETREAT BY PAUL WHITE:** Inner peace in friendship with Jesus (based on the Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola). Mondays 6 July to 27 July, 1.30pm-3pm OR 7pm-9pm, Pastoral Centre. Cost \$40 (covers the cost of the retreat book if required). Register by 28 June. Contact Paul White on 0437 290 950 if interested.

## PAINTWORKS COMPLETE

During the week in the St Brendan's Flowerroom and Sacristy painters have been busy freshening up these spaces which needed much attention. Thank you to all our amazing volunteers who have helped with re-arranging items etc so that the work could be done. Total cost came to \$8,547.00.



## SUNSET SESSION

*Young Adults*

MARY-ANN DEMASE  
TESTIMONY

6-8 pm June 26 Aged 18-35

All Young Adults are invited to join for a discussion in the Pastoral Centre (hall behind the church) and join us for dinner afterwards

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## SAVE THE DATE

### PUBLIC ROSARY

(10th Anniversary of holding our Public Rosary in our Garden of Eden)

10 OCTOBER

More information to follow



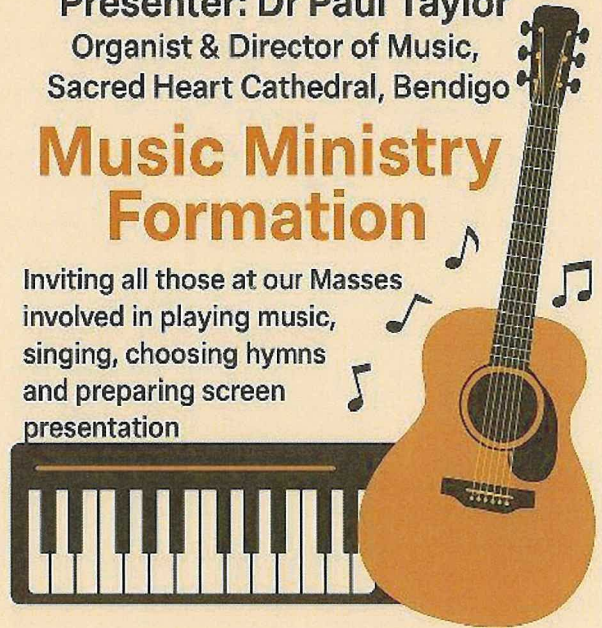
Saturday 27 June 2026  
10am to 12 noon

Where: St Brendan's Parish  
Pastoral Centre,  
121 Knight Street, Shepparton

Presenter: Dr Paul Taylor  
Organist & Director of Music,  
Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bendigo

## Music Ministry Formation

Inviting all those at our Masses involved in playing music, singing, choosing hymns and preparing screen presentation



### POSITION VACANT - LEGAL COUNSEL

The Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst is seeking a motivated and commercially minded Legal Counsel to join our Chancery leadership team. For more information, go to: <https://sandhurst.catholic.org.au/item/3076-legal-counsel>

### READERS & COMMENTATORS - June 27 and 28, 2026

6pm Danica Daunt, TBC  
8am Amanda Pellegrino, Brock O'Hara  
11am Paul Richardson, Loretta Richardson

**Recently Deceased:** Armando Zerbato  
**Anniversaries:** Nazario Giuliani

## Sandpiper e-News is out!

Read the latest from the Diocese of Sandhurst.

Link: <https://mailchi.mp/sandhurst/124>

