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Today's Readings Acts 2:42-47 1Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31

The faithful lived together and owned everything in common. He has given us a new birth as his children, by raising Jesus from the dead After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them



Second Sunday Easter Sunday Year A 22/23 April 2017

In a Nutshell

On the evening of resurrection day the disciples are filled with fear, and Jesus himself comes to them and gives them his peace and joy. A week later Jesus comes again, to convince Thomas that he has truly risen. The faith of Thomas resounds down the centuries and today we can be glad that Thomas took some convincing. Our hearts can echo his words: 'My Lord and my God!'



Thomas is often called "Doubting" Thomas because he refused to believe the other disciples when they told him they had seen the risen Lord. We cannot always accept without question what a group of people tell us about something they say has happened even if they are all in the same place at the same time. Thomas wanted to verify with his own eyes what they said had happened. His doubts were reasonable.

He was not left in uncertainty. Jesus appears again to the disciples when Thomas is with them and immediately dispels that uncertainty. Because he can see the risen Lord, Thomas believes and his response is the fullest expression of faith found anywhere in the Gospels: "My Lord and my God!": Jesus then declares blessed "those who have not seen and yet believe". This gives us assurance that faith does not depend on what we see but on what is in our hearts or, as we read in the letter to the Hebrews, "Only faith can prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen."

The Living Word 2017

Raise your voices

Entrance antiphon: Like newborn children you should thirst for milk, on which your spirit can grow to strength, alleluia.

Response to the psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is

everlasting. Or: Alleluia.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Readers			
Saturday Vigil	Janet Neenan (Coordinator)	Ministers of the Eucharist	
Apr:	Janet Neenan, Sr Jan O'Neill	Saturday Vigil Apr:	Sr Gabriel (Coordinator) Leo Carroll, June Ferguson, Sr Gabriel
Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator)	Sunday 7.00 am	
Apr:	Carol Miller	Apr:	Charlie Robinson, Gary Keating, Peter Frost
Sunday 9.30 am	Adele Cornale (Coordinator)	Sunday 9.30 am	Paula Hudson (Coordinator)
Sunday 6.00 pm Apr:	Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator) Maria Wilson, Denise Haylen	Apr:	Paula Hudson, Adele Cornale, Cheryl Graham, Erin Docherty Volunteers needed each week
Apr 23rd	Church Cleaners Ronda & Jim Uglow	Sunday 6.00 pm	Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator)
Apr 30th: May 7th: May 14th	John & Margaret Betros Sharon Critchely & Diane Karas Pilar & Esteban Ovelar	Apr:	Paula O'Connor, Therese Compton, Denise Haylen
Money Counters- Parish Office (more help required) Apr 23rd : Group 2 Apr 30th: Group 3 May 7th: Group 4 May 14th: Group 1			Gardeners Susan & Kevin Bradley
May 7th: Group 4 May 14th; Group 1		If rostered and unavailable PLEASE advise your coordinator	

Offertory Gifts— Sat 22nd April: 5.00 pm Vigil Mass.
Mary Streeting & Ann WrightOffertory Gifts— Sun 23rd Apr: 7.00 am Mass
Vicki Attard & Family

Mass Offerings:	Your prayers are requested for the following:	
Recently Deceased:	Fr Jim McMahon, Dennis McMahon, Nancy Frost, Shirley Campbell, Una & John Bowering (from Mary)	
Other Deceased:	Members of the Fitzpatrick Family, Kit & Bill Sanders Jack & Shirley Michael, Vena Smith, June Hutt, Toni Bailey	
Anniversaries:	Jack Zucco, Marc Crothers, Tom O'Rourke, Joan O'Keefe, Norman Lyons	
Sick:	Mary Kerrin, Fr John Rate msc Fr Mark McGuniness msc, Jack Azar, Bill Jack, Sr Kathleen Conlan, Fr Frank Perry msc Sandra Sadlier, Kath McDonald, Nola Ryan, Renae Scarlet, Ellie Hutton, Greg Ashton & Aria Hutton, Michelle Maddy & Jack O'Connor	

Baptisms: This Sunday, Father Peter Wood will welcome the following families into our Parish

Georgie Doyle daughter of Wesley and Amanda Hannah Gofton daughter of Christopher and Kirrily Georgia Gofton daughter of Christopher and Kirrily

Sacrament of First Communion

The Sacrament of First Communion will be celebrated on the weekend of the **17th and 18th June**. <u>The Parent information evening is on Tuesday 2nd May 7pm in the Church</u>, followed by the Commitment at Vigil Mass on 5pm Saturday 6th May.

Rehearsals for First Communion will take place on the weekend of the **9th and 10th of June**.

Mass Times

St Brigid's Parish Information Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30 am and 6.00 pm

Parish Office	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9 am to 3 pm (9315 7562)		
Marriages	By appointment arranged at least six months in advance		
Baptisms	By appointment on the first and third Sundays of the month		
Sacrament of Anointing	During 9.30 Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month		
Communion Service	Wednesday 9.30 am Reconciliation 20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass		
Weekday Masses	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30 am		
Morning Tea	Every Sunday after the 9.30 am Mass (more volunteers needed)		
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Anzac Day 9.30am Mass Tuesday 25th April

If you are attending and if you would like to place the name of your service relative in a basket in the foyer of the Church, please do so. If you are a returned veteran would you like to be in the entrance Procession ? Please see Fr Peter Wood msc.

At St Brigid's This Week

Fr Phil will leave on Friday - for a retreat at Douglas park, followed by a wedding back here on Saturday 29th April: then 3 weeks holiday!

We wish Fr Phil a well deserved and rested holiday. Fr Phil will be resuming masses on Sunday 21st May.

Welcome to **Fr Peter Wood msc** who is in residence during Fr Phil's absence.

The room above the parish office is currently being renovated due to the generosity of parish families and will be a wonderful space for our children's liturgies and other activities.

Thank You —Following our Holy Week and Easter Liturgies we have received many kind words and we sincerely thank you to all who prepared the church, the altar the readers, the communion ministers, servicers, the wonderful people who prepared and served morning tea and our talented choir. It was great to see so many of you and your families.

Charitable Works Fund (CWF) Pastoral Appeal

In 2 weeks time on 6/7 May it is the CWF appeal which continues to play an important role in providing social, pastoral, advocacy and training programs through it's 6 agencies. The CWF is your Catholic charity and we encourage you to give it your generous support. Couples, families, refugees, migrants, our future priests, Catholic public school children, the deaf and hearing impaired are just some of the people you are helping by supporting the CWF. There is so much which can be done with your donations, so please give generously.

Brigidine College Randwick-95th Annual Reunion

Sunday 7 **May 1.30pm**. Afternoon Tea at the College in Synan Hall. Cost \$35/ RSVP to Jane (Russell) Morrissey Brigidine17@gmail.com



Our Lady's Nurses

There is a Fashion Parade for Our Lady's Nurses (Brown Sisters)

Date - 4th May Time—11.30 for 12 noon. Price \$15 for a light lunch Raffle tickets/lucky door prize Phone 9665 6331 for booking by 1st May

St Anthony's Clovelly Centenary Mass St Anthony's Parish was formed in 1917, and St Anthony's School opened in 1918. Past parishioners, students and friends are cordially invited to the Centenary Mass on Sunday 21 May 2017 at 10.00am, at which Archbishop Anthony Fisher will be Principal Celebrant. Refreshments will follow in the parish grounds. For more information or to indicate attendance, email: centenary@stanthonyclovelly.org.au: Facebook: St Anthony's Clovelly

Centenary.

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