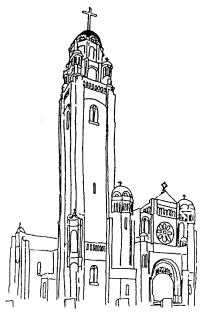

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at a glance

Today's Readings

Isaiah 50:4-7	God my help
Philippians 2:6-11	He emptied himself
Mark 14:1-15:47	Son of God

Passion Sunday
Year B
25th March 2018

In a nutshell

This special time of Holy Week begins with the passion narrative of Mark, who gives us a graphic picture of the days when Jesus is tried by his own people and sentenced to death.

His communion in prayer with his Father in the Garden of Gethsemane strengthens him to endure this terrible suffering for love of us.

He made no resistance, and did not turn away.

The Gospel story, told by Mark, tells us the story of Jesus, the just man, of his life journey and its culmination in arrest, unjust condemnation and death on a cross. Today we hear the story told again and we witness the injustice of it, the unfairness of it and the cruelty of it. The man who lived in the daylight is arrested in the dark. The man who spoke openly sees his words twisted and used against him. The man who honoured every person he met is brutally treated and taken out to die.

There is a powerful witness to all of this, a centurion, a roman soldier charged with executing the orders of the governor, Pilate, and overseeing the legal execution of this man, Jesus. He watches as his junior soldiers have their fun with the prisoner, mocking him and knocking him about. He leads the procession through the streets of Jerusalem and observes the demeanour of this unfortunate man. At the place of execution he organises the process and forms the guard to contain proceedings, and then he stands there and watches this man slowly die. But as the sky darkens and the taunts of the crowd grow weaker, this Roman officer begins to realise that the man whose death he is charged to oversee is not any ordinary man. Though cruelly tormented and about to lose his life, the man on the cross is more alive than any person was. When he finally breathes his last breath, the soldier is forced to cry out, "In truth this man was a son of God."

Raise your voices

Response to the psalm: My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Gospel acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross.
Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Readers

Saturday Vigil	Janet Neenan (Coordinator)
March 24th:	Sr Jan
March 31st:	
Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator)
March:	Gerry Walker & Charlie Robinson
Sunday 9.30 am	Adele Cornale (Coordinator)
March 25th:	Tracy Wilcox
April 1st:	Adele & Gian Cornale
Sunday 6.00 pm	Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator)

Church Cleaners

March 24th: Pilar Ovelar

Money Counters—Parish Office

March 25th:	Group 2	**April 1st:**	Group 3
April 8th	Group 4	**April 15th:**	Group 1

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday Vigil	Sr Gabriel (Coordinator)
March :	Anne Wright, Sr Gabriel
Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator)
March 25th:	Peter Frost
Sunday 9.30 am	Paula Hudson (Coordinator)
March:	Paula Hudson, Adele Cornale, Phil Docherty
Sunday 6.00 pm	Andrew Poidevin Coordinator)
March:	Paula O'Connor, Andrew Poidevin, Therese Compton, Denise Haylen

Gardeners

Susan & Kevin Bradley

Sacristy & Altar

Carol Miller and Pilar Ovelar

Altar Flowers

Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros

If rostered and unavailable PLEASE advise your coordinator

Offertory Gifts— Sat 5.00 pm Vigil Mass

March 17th:

Offertory Gifts— Sun 7.00 am Mass

March 18th: Pam & John McCarthy

Mass Offerings:

Your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased: **Anne Rouen** (Nowra)**, Patricia De Lorenzo, Winifred Doherty** (Ireland)**, Fr. Roman Modino, Eileen Purcell,** Vic Montifia, Graziano Capuano.

Other Deceased: **Desmond & Alice Ryan**, **Julie-Anne Knight**, Francis & Will Champion, Bill Jack, Alma and Jack Saidey.

Anniversaries: **Barbara Joy McCormack, Norman Lyons,Yuppe (Joe) Breuck, Nancy Frost, Anthony Simpson, Freesia Llamoso & Olivia Abesamis, Anthony Simpson**

Sick: **Tony Cruikshank,** Scarlett Herbert, Cassie Andrews, Neil Thornton, Conor Cassidy (Ireland), Sr Kath Conlan, Tony Kelly**,** Mary-Jane Saunders, Thelma Shepherd, Enid Hampshire, Anne Hampshire, Barry du Bois, Alistair Ross, John Miller, Maureen O'Connor, Maddy O'Connor, Esteban Ovelar, Trish Shadwick, Patrick Herlihy, Alma Reid, Steve Elias, Win Wallace, Fr John Rate msc, Fr Frank Perry msc, Brother Dan Geary msc, Fr Thoi Tran msc.

Palm Sunday Walk for Refugees

Social Justice Group: Please join us at the Palm Sunday walk for Refugees this Sunday, meeting at Belmore Park near Eddy Avenue at Central Railway at 1.50pm. We'll walk behind the Franciscan Social Services banner. We walk down Broadway to Victoria Palk near Sydney University.

St Brigid's Parish Information

Mass Times	**Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30 am and 6.00 pm**
Morning Tea	Most Sundays after the 9.30 am Mass
Weekday Masses	**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9.30 am**
Reconciliation	**20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass**
Sacrament of Anointing	**During 9.30 Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month**
Baptisms	By appointment, usually on the first and third Sundays of the month
Marriages	By appointment, arranged at least six months in advance
Parish Office	**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9 am to 3 pm (phone 9315 7562).**

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We tell this story and continue to tell it because it is the story of every person in the world. It is the story of the just person who seeks to live an honourable life, who meets with suffering and with cruelty, with injustice and with flawed societies. It is the story of how the just person perseveres in goodness despite all setbacks and opposition , and seeks the face of God. This is how life is in a fallen world.

The Living Word, 2018

Holy Week & Easter Liturgies At St Brigid's

Monday/Tuesday	Normal 9.30am Masses	
Tuesday	**7.00 pm**	**2nd Rite Sacrament of Reconciliation**
Holy Thursday	(No morning Mass) **7.00 pm Mass Commemoration of the Lord's Supper**	
Good Friday	**10.00 am Stations of the Cross**	(Confessions after Stations of the Cross has finished)
	3.00 pm Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion (Confessions after the liturgy has finished)	
Holy Saturday	**7.00 pm Easter Vigil**	
Easter Sunday	**7.00 am and 9.30am Masses**	**(No 6pm Mass on Easter Sunday)**

Fr Phil Hicks msc

Season of Lent—Project Compassion 2018

As Lent draws to a close, please bring your boxes to weekend masses, or during Holy Week liturgies, or during the week (Monday-Thursday) to the parish office. Thank you.

MSC Mission Office Earthquake Appeal for PNG

Can you Help? At least 90 people have been killed, 500 injured and many thousands are displaced .

Roads, bridges , airstrips have been destroyed. The infrastructure of over 30 parishes and 350 sub-stations in three Catholic Dioceses have been severely damaged. Schools—primary and secondary, health centres, presbyteries & convents, water tanks and churches are amongst those buildings that have suffered extensive damage.

Let us reach out to our friends in need . *MSC Mission Office Inc. 1 Roma Avenue, Kensington NSW 2033.* Donations to this appeal are tax deductible.

Phone: 9697 0963 Email: mscmisio@mscmission.org

Mass and Blessing for People with Autism on Sunday 8th April

A Mass & Blessing for people with autism: In celebration of Autism Awareness Month and to honour all those in our community with autism, the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites you to the annual Mass and Blessing for People with Autism, to be celebrated by Bishop Anthony Randazzo. Where: St Benedict's Church, Broadway.

When: **Sunday 8th April 2018, 2:00pm**. For enquires or to RSVP by Tuesday 3rd April please contact LMFevents@sydneycatholic.org or phone (02) 9307 8404.

Sacramental Program at St Brigid's in 2018

(Pastoral Associate & Sacramental Co-ordinator: Anne–Marie Snelling)

Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 6 children and older)

Sunday 27th May 2018 @ 12.30pm at St Mary's Cathedral.

First Communions (Year 3 children & older)

Saturday 15th September 2018 @ 5pm Vigil Mass at St Brigid's Church

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