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Today's Readings

Daniel 12:1-3 Mark 13:24-32

When that time comes your own people will be spared Hebrews 10:11-14.18 By a single offering he has achieved the eternal, perfection of those who are sanctified

He shall gather his elect from the winds



33rd Sunday in **Ordinary Time,** Year B. 17th / 18th November 2018

In a nutshell

When everything around us seems to be toppling and chaos reigns, we are reminded of today's gospel passage.

Yet, with Jesus beside us and within us, all can be relatively calm. The more we live in God's presence, the more peaceful we shall be, no matter what is happening around us.

Even when everything is taken away, Jesus assures that his words will never pass away.

Will You Be Ready?

A major theme of the Scripture readings this weekend is 'Be prepared for the day of the Lord'.

Daniel, seeking a way to keep fellow Jews loyal, writes about the harsh reality of God's Second Coming and how only the just will survive. At the same time, he offers the hope of reward, even beyond death, for those who are faithful. This is one of the earliest references to resurrection after death.

The psalm is a plea, on the part of the just, for safety and protection in the time of the Lord's coming. The psalmist, rather than walking in the ways of his own choosing asks God to point out the path of life to walk.

The writer of the Letter to the Hebrews (second reading) assures the listeners that they have been saved by the one sacrifice of Jesus, that repetition of former kinds of sacrifices are not necessary, and that trust in Jesus is the assurance of their salvation.

The Gospel also refers to the end time. Jesus' words and descriptions must have really shaken the disciples when they heard them. Jesus was talking about the end of this world as well as the events surrounding his death. Only God knows when the world will end, and God will save those who are faithful to the end.

Although these descriptions of the end are scary, they also come with promises. Because of Jesus we need not fear our death or the end of the world. He has promised us life everlasting. We are not to be filled with constant anxiety. Rather, we are to be prepared and alert for God's coming, whenever and however it takes place.

Lisa-Marie Calderone - Stewart (from Liturgy Help, 2018)

Raise your voices

Entrance antiphon: The Lord says: my plans for you are peace and not

disaster; when you call to me, I will listen to you, and I will bring you back to the place from which

I exiled you.

Response to the psalm: Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful, pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of **Gospel acclamation:**

Man. Alleluia!

Readers

Saturday Vigil Janet Nee0nan (Coordinator)

November 17th Chelsea Albert

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)

November: Charlie Robinson

Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator)

November 18th Tracey Wilcox

Church Cleaners

November: Paula O'Connor (and other volunteers)

Money Counters—Parish Office

November 18th: Group 4 November 25th: Group 1 December 2nd: Group 2 November 18th: Group 3

Gardeners

Susan & Kevin Bradley

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday Vigil Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator)
November 17th Anne Wright, Sr. Gabriel

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator) **November:** Charlie Robinson, Peter Frost,

Gary Keating.

Sunday 9.30 am Paula Hudson (Coordinator) Paula Hudson, Adele Cornale.

Sunday 6.00 pm Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator) **November:** Paula O'Connor, Andrew

Poidevin, Denise Haylen.

Sacristy & Altar

Carol Miller and Pilar Ovelar

Altar Flowers

Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros

Offertory Gifts—Sun 7.00 am Mass

Offertory Gifts— Sat 5.00 pm Vigil Mass
November 17th: Volunteers Please

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Mass Offerings: Your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased: Greta Silvers, Sr Kath Conlon, Betty Bambridge, Jude Cleary, James (Jim)

Nolan, Bernard McGuire, Pagett Sayers.

Other Deceased: Dorothy Donnellan, Toni Bailey Sherry Jackson, Bill Swanbury, Sergio Ovelar,

Noel Hudson, John Vonwiller, Rob Borg, Desmond & Alice Ryan, Bethany &

Bill Bird, Molly & George Green, Joan O'Keefe.

Anniversaries: Rose Arch, Jack & Alma Saidey, Bill Jack, Monic Byrnes, Alma Dawson,

Joe Dawson.

Sick: Sandra Sadlier, Elizabeth Khoury, Alex Campbell (Scotland) Justin Wood,

Anne Wright, June Ferguson, Todd Hudson, Steve Elias, Esteban Ovelar, Maximilian Naum, Geoffrey Karpin, Fr John Rate msc, Paul Miller.

Baptisms

We congratulate the following children received into our Parish Community this Sunday:

Archí Grílls son of Andrew & Skye Ruby Kídd daughter of Ncholas & Nícole Oz Barker son of Jenny



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
Baptisms

During 9.30 Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month
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: 9am to 3pm

(phone 9315 7562). (Fr Phil—pastoral emergencies 0420 329 731)

This Week at St Brigid's & Beyond



Monday 10th December—**Gingerbread House Event**, Parish Hall - we had a great evening last year and look forward to get together again, thank you to the school community for supporting this evening.

* Order deadline is this Tuesday 20th November.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas appeal Saturday 1st/Sunday 2nd December, Christmas cards are now on sale after weekend masses.

Saturday 24th November - Year 2 families will be leading our Vigil Mass 5pm.

* A pair of blue glass rosary beads were handed into the office and were found near Dudley Street.

Saturday 8th December - Carols By the Sea at Grant Reserve - 6pm (sponsored by the local Churches) **Sunday 9th December - 9.30am Special Family Mass** to welcome 2019 St Brigid's School Kindy families, followed by BBQ and picnic activities.

Tuesday 11th December - St Brigid's School Christmas Carols & Concert in our Church at 6pm.

November Masses for the Faithful Departed

Please write down any names for a mass intention during November: a memorial book is in the foyer.

A volunteer from Cana Communities will be with us next weekend, seeking our help.

Cana Communities provide family type support for people from the streets. They are one of the largest providers of crisis beds in the inner city. They will be holding an Appeal at our Parish Masses next weekend. All donations over



\$2 are tax deductible. Even if you are unable to donate ,they would love to tell you about



"Have courage no matter what your crosses are"

Mary MacKillop 1890

The holding cross, fitting comfortably into our hand can bring hope and peace in the midst of suffering in the assurance that we are not alone.

These holding crosses are available with a prayer card in our piety store for \$25

Christmas Choir

We would like to extend an invitation to the congregation to sing with the choir at Christmas. **Practices will be every Wednesday, starting on 21 November** at 7:30pm and finishing around 9:30pm, leading up to the Masses. We'll be



singing on Christmas Eve and Christmas morning, if anyone is after more information, they're more than welcome to call Jeremy on 0414 540 439 or Angeline on 0405420159.

If you or a person close to you has been abused by someone working or ministering within the Archdiocese of Sydney we invite you to contact us.

We will listen to you respectfully, offer support and discuss the options you have available to you. Please contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office on Ph 02 9390 5812.

The Archdiocese policy on safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults: these are public documents available on www.sydneycatholic.org.

St Brigid's Parish Coogee Safeguarding Guarding Officer is Sharon Waller.



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