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at a
glance



Today's Readings

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
Luke 17:5-19

The just will live by faithfulness
Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord
If you had faith!



**27th Sunday in
Ordinary Time,
Year C, 4th/5th
October, 2019**

In a nutshell

The apostles asked
Jesus to 'increase
our faith'.

We all find 'faith'
elusive, until we see
in hindsight that we
did have faith, given
us as a gift by God.

It is not something
we can take for
granted.

If we invite Jesus into
our hearts, he will be
our source of faith.

As we grow day by
day in communion
with him, we will also
grow in faith.

**How much faith does one have to have? How much faith is enough?
How is it possible to measure one person's faith against
another?**

When the disciples asked Jesus to increase their faith, what exactly were they asking of him? These fishermen and nobodies chosen as disciples by Jesus must surely have had moments of realization that they were not the sorts of young men normally chosen by Rabbis to be disciples. They must have looked around at the disciples of other teachers, and seen that, by comparison, they weren't really in the same league.

So they ask Jesus to increase their faith. What they're saying is: make us more like the sorts of people we think we should be.

Jesus counters their request by telling them that if they had faith the size of a tiny mustard seed they could accomplish great things. It's not a matter of how much faith one has but what they do with it. How much faith does it take to do great things?

Jesus says that it only takes the tiniest scrap of faith.

Jesus follows up this statement by pointing out to the disciples that no matter how small the amount of faith, it carries with it a responsibility and duty to act upon it. One shouldn't be looking for acclaim and special treatment when one acts out of faith as that is simply what is expected. The gift of faith carries with it a duty to live that faith and act upon it.

Who are the 'people of faith' that you admire?
What inspires you about them?

Greg Sunter, Liturgy Help, 2019

Raise your voices

Entrance antiphon:

O Lord, you have given everything its place in the world, and no one can make it otherwise. For it is your creation, the heavens and the earth and the stars: you are the Lord of all.

Response to the psalm:

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Gospel acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! The word of the Lord stands for ever; it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

Readers		Ministers of the Eucharist	
Saturday Vigil October 5th	Janet Neenan (Coordinator) Chelsea Albert	Saturday Vigil October	Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator) Sr Gabriel
Sunday 7.00 am October	Peter Frost (Coordinator) George & Nick Attard	Sunday 7.00 am October:	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Peter Frost, Charlie Robinson Gary Keating
Sunday 9.30 am October 6th:	Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Adele Cornale, John Rouen	Sunday 9.30 am October:	Paula Hudson (Coordinator) Paula Hudson, Phil Docherty.
Sunday 6pm	Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator)	Sunday 6pm	Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator) Paula O'Connor, Denise Haylen
Church Cleaners Paula O'Connor, Siobhan Scott and other volunteers.		Sacristy & Altar Carol Miller & Pilar Ovelar	
Money Counters—Parish Office		Altar Flowers Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros	
October 6th:	Group 2	October 13th:	Group 3
October 20th:	Group 4	October 27th:	Group 1
Piety Stall (Vigil & 9.30 Masses): Siobhan Scott			

Offertory Gifts— Sat 5.00 pm Vigil Mass October 5th: Volunteers Please	Offertory Gifts— Sun 7.00 am October 6th: Pam & John McCarthy
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Mass Offerings:	<i>Your prayers are requested for the following:</i>
Recently Deceased:	Jeff Sayle, Jean Flaherty, Fr John Rate msc, Steve Elias, Thomas Davis.
Other Deceased:	Paul McMahon, Desmond and Alice Ryan, Noel & Paul Hudson, Kit & Bill Sanders, Fitzpatrick Family, Tony Cunningham.
Anniversaries:	Ron McDonald, Colleen Pritchard, Win Wallace, Johann Ossimitz.
Sick:	Anne Stirling, Neil Thornton, Maureen O'Connor, Brenda Dore, Jim Rigby, Diane Gordon, Tony Cruikshank, Esteban Ovelar, Therese Warfield, Lyn Sweeney, Owen O'Conner, Margaret Mary Foody, Trish Shadwick, Roslyn Powell, Jake Hudson, Michelle Thornton, Justin Wood, Richard Healy, Joan Edwards, Jim Kavanagh, Marian Moreno, Judy Chock, Robyn Hutton, Faye Mather, Paul Evans, Elizabeth Khoury, Alex Campbell, Todd Hudson, Maximilian Naum, Geoffrey Karpin, Chris Schneider.

Leadership Roles at St Brigid's Parish Coogee	
Parish Priest	Fr Phillip Hicks msc
Parish Safeguarding Support Officer	Sharon Waller
Parish Office Manager	Caroline Doherty
Parish Pastoral Associate	Anne-Marie Snelling
Parish Council Chairperson	Rodney Coorey (Deputy-Chairperson—Sharron Critchley)
Parish Finance Committee Chairman	Michael Zador

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 Family Mass
Weekday Masses	Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 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, on the first and third Sundays of each month, <i>usually during 9.30am Family Mass</i>
Marriages	By appointment, arranged at least six months in advance
Parish Office (phone 9315 7562):	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am to 3pm. (Fr Phil—pastoral emergencies only: 0420 329 731)

St Brigid's this week and beyond

Sunday 6th October—We welcome the following two children who will be baptised during our 9.30am Family Mass today:
Max Mercieca, son of David and Terrie,
Abigail Tomlinson, daughter of James and Bernadette.

Monday 7th October—Public Holiday—Parish Office closed—BUT there will be 9.30am Mass.

Thursday 10th October—9.30am Mass includes Sacrament of Anointing.

Friday 11th October—Requiem Mass for **Jeff Sayle** at 10.30am here at St Brigid's.

Sunday 13th October—Children's Liturgy during 9.30am Family Mass.

RCIA program - The RCIA program (Rite of Christian Initiation Adults) is commencing **Tuesday 15th October at 6pm**, and will run until Easter next year.
If you are interested please contact either Fr Phil or Anne-Marie in the Parish Office, 9315 7562.

HSC - As students prepare and study for their upcoming HSC exams we encourage you to pray for them at this time. If would like to leave the name of any student, family or friend in the church foyer, we will make a prayer card for them.

Wednesday 4th December - Gingerbread Event in the parish hall. There is a flyer in the Church foyer this week. Please make a note of the date - and make a booking on the clipboard in the Church Foyer, as places fill up quickly for this very popular parish community event.

Blessed Meals Project - If you would like to make a meal for parishioner or a family to lighten the load and support them during a difficult time, please ask the parish office for a container.
Thank you to all who have participated in this initiative.

Fr Phil

Mary MacKillop Parish Day Trip

On Wednesday 11th December, we are hoping that a group of Parishioners will join Fr Phil and the office staff to visit Mary MacKillop museum for a tour, lunch and Mass. We will organize a bus from St Brigid's to depart in the morning and return in the afternoon. Costs to be confirmed but will include transport, museum tour and lunch.

We would be delighted if you could join us, please call the parish office for more details.



Saturday 12th October from 9am - Our Lady's Nurses
35 Dudley Street, all welcome

All proceeds raised go back to the community via the Sister's welfare work. Most of their work is involved with people in the local area

St Brigid's Primary School Friday Playgroup

You are very welcome to join us every Friday in the School Hall during term time.

9.00am-10.30am. Come along and meet some other parents with preschool children and babies, and enjoy a tea / coffee while the children play.

Look forward to meeting you there.

Joanne Smyth, Family Educator



A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org.

You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest, who will be able to provide support and guidance. The Archdiocese has a legal obligation to report crimes to the police,

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



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