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Today's Readings

Isaiah 8:23-9:3 Matthew 4:12-23

In the Galilean country, the people have seen a great light. 1Corinthians 1:10-13,17 | appeal to you, my brothers and sisters, make up the differences between you. He went to Capernaum, that the prophecy of Isaiah be fulfilled.



Third Sunday in **Ordinary Time** 25th / 26th January 2020 Year A

In a nutshell

The public ministry of Jesus begins in a humble way beside the lake of Galilee. He chooses fishermen who leave their nets to follow him.

A light has dawned, a light that will continue to shine in all who come to know Jesus.

We too can bring this light into the lives of those we meet, by proclaiming the Good News, and helping those who are suffering and in pain.





Australia Day Weekend

I came from the dream-time, from the dusty red-soil plains. I am the ancient heart, the keeper of the flame. I stood upon the rocky shores, I watched the tall ships come. For forty thousand years I've been the first Australian.

I came upon the prison ship, bowed down by iron chains. I bought the land, endured the lash, and waited for the rains I'm a settler, I'm a farmer's wife, on a dry and barren run; A convict, then a free man, I became Australian.

I'm the daughter of a digger, who sought the mother lode; The girl became a woman on the long and dusty road. I'm a child of the Depression; I saw the good times come. I'm a bushie; I'm a battler; I am Australian.

I'm a teller of stories; I'm a singer of songs. I am Albert Namatjira and I paint the ghostly gums. I'm Clancy on his horse; I'm Ned Kelly on the run. I'm the one who waltzed Matilda; I am Australian.

I'm the hot wind from the desert; I'm the black soil of the plains. I'm the mountains and the valleys; I'm the drought and flooding rains. I am the rock, I am the sky, the rivers when they run. The spirit of this great land, I am Australian.

> We are one, but we are many And from all the lands on earth we come; We'll share a dream and sing with one voice: "I am, you are, we are Australian".

> > Songwriters: Bruce Woodley / Dobe Newton

Raise your voices

7am Mass

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. **Entrance antiphon:**

In his presence are majesty and splendor, strength and honour in his holy place.

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life. **Response to the psalm:**

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners. Alleluia!

Readers

Janet Neenan (Coordinator) Saturday Vigil January 25th

February 1st

February:

Anne-Marie Snelling

Sr Jan O'Neil

Sunday 7.00 am January:

Peter Frost (Coordinator) Gerry Walker, Charlie Robinson George & Nicholas Attard

Sunday 9.30 am January 26th

Adele Cornale (Coordinator)

John Rouen

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Siobhan Scott, and other volunteers.

Money Counters—Parish Office

January 26th: Group 2 February 2nd: Group 3 **February 9th** Group 4 **February 16th:** Group 1

Ministers of Communion

Saturday Vigil Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator) Michael Zador & others January:

Sunday 7.00 am

Peter Frost (Coordinator) Peter Frost, Charlie Robinson,

Gary Keating

Sunday 9.30 am January:

Sunday 6pm

January:

Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty. Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator),

Paula O'Connor, Denise Haylen

Sacristy & Altar

Carol Miller & Pilar Ovelar

Altar Flowers

Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros

Piety Stall (Vigil Mass): Siobhan Scott

Offertory Gifts— Sat 5.00 pm Vigil Mass

January 25th: Volunteers Please

Offertory Gifts—Sun 7.00 am

January 26th: Maureen Fitzsimmons & Elaine Haigh

Mass Offerings: Your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased: Eileen McMahon, Bridie O'Brien (Ireland), Beverly Smith,

Brian Grant (Canada), Patricia Wilcox, Mary Sullivan (Ireland).

Anniversary: Mable Rodden, Peter Byrnes and Anne Flaherty.

Michael Cremin, John Keane, Bernard Arns, Barbara Joy McCormack, Other Deceased:

Muriel & Bill Knight, Sr Ann Fitzpatrick, Bill Jack and Jack & Alma Saidey.

Sick: Simon Menchenan, Cathryn Ferguson, Paula Hudson, Elizabeth Khoury,

> Susan Behan, Teresa Han, Anne Stirling, Maureen O'Connor, Neil Thornton, Tony Cruikshank, Diane Gordon, Therese Warfield, Lyn Sweeney, Paul Evans, Owen O'Conner, Margaret Mary Foody, Trish Shadwick, Roslyn Powell, Jake Hudson, Michelle Thornton, Justin Wood, Richard Healy, Joan Edwards, Jim Kavanagh, Marian Moreno, Faye Mather, Alex Campbell, Todd Hudson,

Maximilian Naum, Geoffrey Karpin, Chris Schneider.

Sacramental Program at St Brigids in 2020

First Reconciliation

Enrolment: Tuesday 4th February (9am to 3pm), and Thursday 6th (3.30pm to 5.30pm)

Parent information evening: Tuesday 18th February @ 7pm... Commitment Mass: Saturday 22nd February @ 5pm Vigil Mass.

Reconciliation: Tuesday 24th March 2020 @ 7pm.

Joanne Smyth, Pastoral Associate

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 Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 9.30 am Weekday Masses Reconciliation 20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass

Sacrament of Anointing During 9.30am Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month **Baptisms** By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month,

usually during 9.30am Family Mass

Marriages By appointment, arranged at least six months in advance

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am to 3pm. Parish Office (phone 9315 7562):

(Fr Phil—pastoral emergencies only: 0420 329 731)

St Brigid's this week and beyond

We would like to warmly welcome back the children and teachers of St Brigid's Coogee this week: we hope you enjoyed your Summer holiday and are ready for wonderful school year. We extend a special welcome to our new Principal **Mr Vincent Campbell** and our Kindergarten class.

Saturday 1st February -

All parishioners are invited to a celebration of Feast of St Brigid in the Parish Hall after 5pm Vigil Mass (finger food and drinks, etc.).

Monday 3rd February - First PPC meeting for 2020 at 7.30pm.

Friday 7th February - 9.30am Mass St Brigid's Primary opening School Mass and celebration of St Brigid.

Sunday 9th February-Children's Liturgy resumes for 2020, during 9.30am Family Mass.

Volunteers Required - If you are available **to read once a month during any of our Masses** we would appreciate your help, please contact the Parish Office (9315 7562).

St Vincent De Paul bushfire appeal collection at all Masses this Weekend

Friends, the sad tragedy of the bushfires has impacted upon our Catholic community across the Archdiocese of Sydney in a very real way. A brave Rural Fire Service volunteer Andrew O'Dwyer was farewelled at a Requiem Mass at Our Lady of Victories Parish in Horsley Park last week. The parish is providing ongoing support to his widow Melissa and 19 month old daughter Charlotte and our prayers are with them. Amidst the devastation of the fires, it has been encouraging to witness the support of so many ordinary Australians, including so many men and women of faith.

While much of the response must be at a local parish and diocesan level, such a great crisis also requires a national response. Alongside my brother bishops across the country, I encourage you to donate to a special parish collection at Masses over the Australia Day weekend (25 and 26 January) through the St Vincent De Paul Society.

Through this bushfire appeal, you can make a tangible difference in the lives of those affected, whether that be to cover basic clothing or the food bill for a family evacuated from their home. The support may also come through psychological counselling services for families left traumatized by the disaster or financial counselling as they struggle to pay unexpected bills. Together we can offer real comfort and long term support to families left struggling after the bushfires.

Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP





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A message from the Archdiocese of SydneyAbuse 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.