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at a
glance



Today's Readings

Isaiah 58:7-10
1Cor 2:1-5
Matt 5:13-16

Your light will shine like the dawn.
I came to you to proclaim Christ crucified
You are the salt of the earth And light of the world.



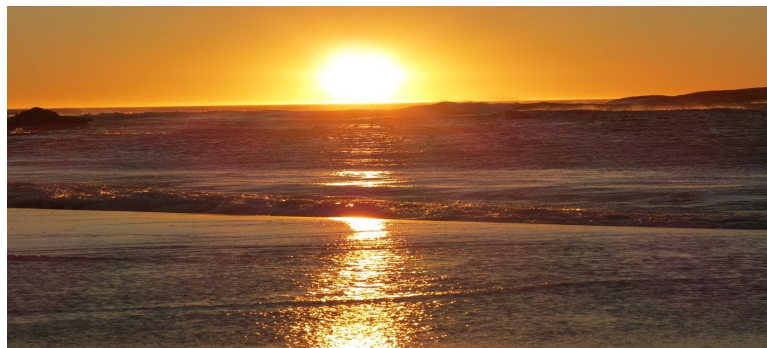
**Fifth Sunday in
Ordinary time
8th/9th
February 2020
Year A**

In a nutshell

Jesus proclaims himself
the light of the world',
and also
proclaims us, his disci-
ples, as 'the light
of the world.'

We who are joined to
him in baptism truly
share in his life, in his
light.

If we really live this rela-
tionship with him,
our lives, our
attitudes, our good
works and our
generosity to those in
need will show forth the
light we share: the glory
of God.



Today, when we describe a person as being the 'salt of the earth' it's generally meant in a way that says the person is hard working, straight talking and pretty down to earth. It's usually meant as a compliment but sometimes can come across as a bit condescending when used inappropriately. When Jesus tells the disciples that they are salt of the earth and the light of the world he is really saying 'You are to *be* the salt of the earth; you are to *be* the light of the world.' It is more of a directive than an affirmation of them.

Today's first reading from Isaiah helps to shed light on Jesus' meaning in the gospel passage: 'Share your bread with the hungry, and shelter the homeless poor, clothe the man you see to be naked and turn not from your own kin. Then will your light shine like the dawn.' It sounds a lot like the message from the last judgment in Matthew 25 when the king says 'whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' It's a message of justice and right relationship not only with God but with one another also.

To be salt of the earth and light of the world means to be the one who puts their hand up and steps forward to speak for, work for and act for those who are the least in this world. To have the potential and resources to be a force for good in the world and not act on it is to be like salt that's used for salting the streets or a lamp that's under a tub.

Reflection by Greg Sunter, Liturgy Help, 2020

Raise your voices

Entrance antiphon: Come, let us worship the Lord. Let us bow down in the presence of our maker, for he is the Lord our God.

Response to the psalm: A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the one who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

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| Readers | | Ministers of Communion | |
| Saturday Vigil February 8th February 15th Sunday 7.00 am February: | Janet Neenan (Coordinator) Chelsea Albert Peter Frost (Coordinator) George & Nicholas Attard | Saturday Vigil February: | Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator) Michael Zador & others |
| Sunday 9.30 am February 9th February 16th | Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Tracey Wilcox Mark Woolford John Rouen Therese Compton | Sunday 7.00 am February: | Peter Frost (Coordinator) Peter Frost, Charlie Robinson, Gary Keating |
| Church Cleaners Paula O'Connor, Siobhan Scott, and other volunteers. | | Sunday 9.30 am February: | Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty. |
| Money Counters—Parish Office | | Sunday 6pm | Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator), Paula O'Connor, Denise Haylen |
| February 9th Group 4 February 23rd: Group 2 | February 16th: Group 1 February 29th: Group 3 | Sacristy & Altar Carol Miller & Pilar Ovelar | |
| | | Altar Flowers Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros | |
| | | Piety Stall (Vigil Mass): Siobhan Scott | |

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| Offertory Gifts— Sat 5.00 pm Vigil Mass February 8th: Volunteers Please | Offertory Gifts— Sun 7.00 am February 9th: Vicki Attard & Family |
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| Mass Offerings: | <i>Your prayers are requested for the following:</i> |
| Recently Deceased: | Jye Orel (9 years old), Pam Grant,Jackie Liscoe Barry McDonald, Beverly Smith, Brian Grant (Canada) Patricia Wilcox, Mary Sullivan. |
| Anniversary: | Sr Patricia Davis, Jim Lynch, Helen Freestone, Mable Rodden, Peter Byrnes and Anne Flaherty. |
| Other Deceased: | Marie Cunningham, Brenda Dore, Essie, Heather and Patricia Scott, Michael Cremin, John Keane, Bernard Arns, Barbara Joy McCormack, Sr Ann Fitzpatrick. |
| Sick: | Mark Snuggs , Cathryn Ferguson, Paula Hudson, Elizabeth Khoury, Susan Behan, 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, Judy Chock, Faye Mather, Alex Campbell, Todd Hudson, Maximilian Naum, Geoffrey Karpin, Chris Schneider. |

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

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| 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 |
| Weekday Masses | Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 9.30 am |
| 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, <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

Thank you to you all for coming to our St Brigid's feast day celebration. Despite being a very warm evening, we had over 100 people attend and enjoyed a lovely supper together. Thank you to Eamon Foley and Paul Compton for providing the music - we appreciate the generosity of your time.

Sunday 9th February—Children's Liturgy during 9.30am Family Mass.

Baptism - We also welcome Digger Bowen, son of Lee and Belinda, received into our Parish Community during 9.30am Family Mass.

Monday 10th February—Today marks the beginning of the long-awaited renovations to our Parish Office. The office is temporarily located to the "Blue Room", immediately above (next to the yoga room) for the next two months. There will be some phone disruption, on Monday while technicians re-align things.

Fr Phil

Mass to launch the Cause of Beatification and Canonisation of Servant of God, Eileen O'Connor

The co-founder of Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor, Eileen O'Connor has taken a major step forward to becoming Australia's second saint after the Archbishop of Sydney, Most Rev. Anthony Fisher OP called on Catholics to submit evidence to support Eileen's cause for canonisation.

You are invited to a Mass which will officially launch the cause.

Thursday 20 February at St Mary's Cathedral. 5:30pm

Celebrant: Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP

All Welcome.

Sacramental Program at St Brigid's in 2020

First Reconciliation

Parent information evening: 18th February @ 7pm.

Commitment Mass : Saturday 22nd February @ 5pm Vigil Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesday 24th March @ 7pm

Confirmation: Celebrant is Bishop Richard Umbers.

Enrolment: 28th and 30th April 2020.

Confirmation: Wednesday 17th June @ 7pm.

First Communion

Enrolment: 21st and 23rd July 2020

First Communion: 12th and 13th September.



Joanne Smyth, Sacramental Co-ordinator



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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.