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ANZAC DAY

Third Sunday of Easter Year A 25/26th April 2020

In a nutshell

Jesus joins two disciples as they walk away from Jerusalem in despair after his death.

They share their hopes and longings with him, and Jesus patiently explains why events happened as they did.

He breaks bread with them, and suddenly they recognise him.

No longer hopeless, they rush back to rejoin the disciples, who by now are convinced that Jesus has risen.

The joy of the resurrection is now spreading!



Despite our isolation we still remember those Australian men and women who died or suffered in the great tragedy of war.

On the morning of April 25th, 1915, Australian and New Zealand troops landed under fire at Gallipoli, and it was then and in the violent campaign which followed, that the ANZAC tradition was forged. The elements of that tradition have inspired and offered an enduring example to later generations of Australians.

Each year we pay homage not only to those original ANZACs, but to all who died or were disabled in their service to this country. They enrich our nation's history. Their hope was for the freedom of mankind and we remember with pride their courage, their compassion and their comradeship. They served on land and sea and in the air, in many places throughout the world.

Not only do we honour the memory of those Australians who have fallen in battle; we share the sorrow of those who have mourned them and of all who have been the victims of armed conflict.

On this day we remember with sympathy those Australians who have suffered as prisoners of war, and those who, because of war, have had their lives shortened or handicapped.

We recall staunch friends and allies, and especially those of the first ANZAC Day. May we and our successors prove worthy of their sacrifice.

The Parish office remains open - Monday - Thursday 9am—3pm Please call the office if you require any assistance 9315 7562

Fr Phil can be contacted on 0420 329 731

Fr Phil will continue to offer private Mass for the intentions of parishioners

Mass Offerings: Your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased: Donald Knaggs, Jim Kavanagh, Paolo Bellini, Maureen O'Conner.

Anniversary: Sergio Ovelar, Ned Ferguson

Other Deceased: Francis and Will Champion, June Ann Knight, McGlinn Family, Eileen and

Paul McMahon, Kit Sanders, Barry Telford, Alma & Jack Saidey, Bill Jack,

Jack Olde, Marie Cunningham, Brenda Dore, Essie, Heather and

Patricia Scott, Michael Cremin, John Keane.

Sick: Bernice Ralston, Chaiel Blacombe, 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, Marian Moreno, Judy Chock, Faye Mather, Alex Campbell, Maximilian Naum, Geoffrey Karpin,

Chris Schneider.

Masses on-line, during COVD19 epidemic

OLSH Randwick has excellent online Masses and liturgies:

https://www.facebook.com/olshparish.randwick/

Wollongong Diocese has excellent Sunday Mass at 9am each week:

www.dow.org.au

Anzac Day Prayers for the Home

Almighty everlasting God,
who sent your Son
to die that we might live,
grant, we pray, eternal rest
to those who gave themselves
in service and sacrifice for their country.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

- 1. We pray for all defense and auxiliary personnel who lost their lives while on duty in theatres of war, especially members of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. May they live forever in the peace that only Christ can give. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
- 2. We pray for parents and all family members who grieve for loved ones lost to them because of war. May they be consoled by the love that conquers even death itself. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
- 3. We pray for Pope Francis and all who are engaged in diplomacy around the world. May their dedication to respectful negotiation and dialogue yield a rich harvest of peace. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
- 4. We pray for the tens of millions who been driven from their homelands because of war. May they find refuge, safety and a pathway to new life. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

God of mercy, on the day he rose from the dead your Son met his disciples with a greeting of peace. Hear our prayer for peace today as we remember and regret the terrible cost of war. Bless us and our world with your Spirit of peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

St Brigid's Parish

Parish income has taken a bit of a "tumble", with the church closed, and Masses canceled during the COVID 19 crisis. We still receive rental income from Only About Children child-care; however this also may reduce in the months ahead. We still also receive parishioners' credit card planned giving contributions. Thank you for this. Some people have dropped their planned giving envelopes at the parish office. Again, thank you.

If you wish to make a donation to the parish you may do so directly through our website <u>www.stbrigidscoogee.org.au</u> If you click the SUPPORT US tab on the front page it will bring you to a secure donations page. Click on the green donate button, and choose which area you a donating to.

"Planned giving" is fully tax deductible, or loose "2nd Collection" -supports the maintenance of parish buildings and pastoral programs; "1st Collection" is for the support of our MSC priests. Thank you, Fr Phil Hicks msc (parish priest)

SCAM ALERT A note from the Archdiocese

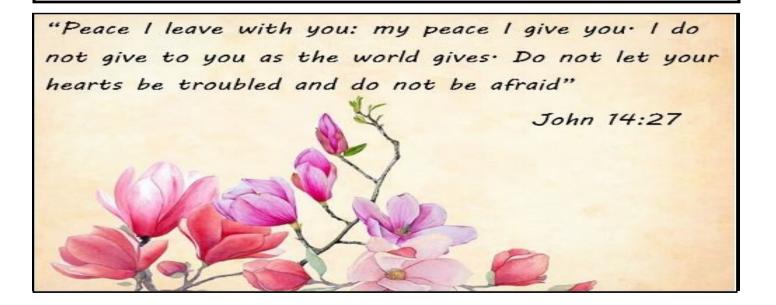
We have been made aware of another scam that is targeting some of our parishes. It appears as if our Parish has been set up to receive online donations through an online company or group. These emails seem sincere and request parishioners to make small donations. It also gives you an option for users to donate items to an online Marketplace and for the Parish to receive the proceeds of those sales. Please make all your parishioners and staff aware of this fraud to avoid being scammed.



A free and confidential helpline that connects you to counselors, social workers, therapists and senior home care specialists.

Today we find ourselves at a defining point in history, with families, Individuals and seniors in our community experiencing anxiety and distress over their health, wellbeing and future.

The news is relentless and it is difficult to lift ourselves out of it. Now more than ever, we need to come together as a community to help and support each other. The news is relentless and it is difficult to lift ourselves out of it. Now more than ever, we need to come together as a community to help and support each other.





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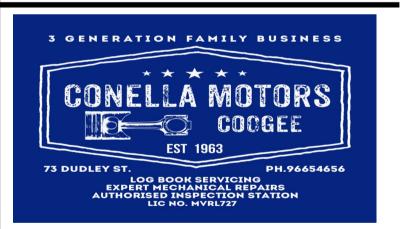
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A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney Child sex Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know – have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding 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.