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#### **Today's Readings**

Isaiah 45:1.4-6 1Thessalonians 1:1-5 Matthew 22:15-21 The Lord chooses Cyrus, a pagan, to do God's work. St Paul begins his letter with thanks to God for the community he is writing to. The Pharisees try to trap Jesus with a trick question.

# 2020 World Mission Appeal - Cambodia

29th Sunday Year A 17th / 18th October, 2020

### In a nutshell

Today's gospel passage contrasts the honesty and integrity of Jesus with the dishonesty and trickery of he Pharisees and Herodias.

Using flattery, they seek to trap Jesus in a classical set-up: a conflict between religious teaching and political interests.

Jesus first clears the air by exposing their malice. Then he acknowledges the existence of secular responsibilities while pointing out that all sovereignty ultimately belongs to God.



This year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal highlights the important work of the Church in Cambodia, which aims to reach out to those who have been affected by disability, and give them hope and support to live a fulfilling life.

This appeal shares the story of Chen, a landmine survivor who lost both his legs when he was 16 years old. Chen has been given the care and opportunity to turn this tragic event into a positive outcome through the support of the Arrupe Centre in the Apostolic Prefecture of Battambang in north-western Cambodia.

The Arrupe Centre urgently needs support to continue providing young people like Chen with opportunities so they can live a full and dignified life. We invite parishioners to help support crucial mission work like this in Cambodia and around the world.

Entrance antiphon:

I call upon you, God, for you will answer me; bend your ear and hear my prayer. Guard me as the pupil of your eye; hide me in the shade of your wings.

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Response to the psalm:	Give the Lord glory and honour.	
Gospel acclamation:	Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!	

#### Readers

Saturday VigilSr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator)OctoberSr Jan O'NeilNovemberJohn Betros

Sunday 7.00 amPeter Frost (Coordinator)October:Peter Frost

Sunday 9.30 amAdele Cornale (Coordinator)October 18thJohn Rouen

#### **Church Cleaners**

Paula O'Connor and other volunteers.

#### Money Counters—Parish Office

October 17th Group 4October 24th: Group 1October 31st: Group 2November 7th: Group 3

#### **Ministers of Communion October Vigil** Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator) Michael Zador & others October Peter Frost (Coordinator) Sunday 7.00 am October Gary Keating Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty. October: Sunday 6pm Andrew Poidevin (Coordinator) Paula O'Connor. Sacristy & Altar Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller **Altar Flowers** Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros **Piety Stall** (5pm Vigil Mass)

Carol Miller

**Mass Offerings:** Your prayers are requested for the following:

**Recently Deceased:** Elizabeth Khoury, John Weber.

Anniversary: Mollie McCabe

Other Deceased:Richard Healy, George & Ellen McKelleher, Scott Family.Sick:Rob Williams, Rita Koh, June Ferguson, Fay Wilcox,<br/>Chris Simpson, Paula Hudson, Anne Stirling, Neil Thornton, Marian Moreno<br/>Tony Cruikshank, Diane Gordon, Chris Schneider, Therese Warfield,<br/>Lyn Sweeney, Paul Evans, Owen O'Conner, Margaret Mary Foody,<br/>Trish Shadwick, Michelle Thornton, Justin Wood, Joan Edwards,<br/>Judy Chock, Faye Mather, Alex Campbell, Maximilian Naum.

#### **COVID 19 UPDATE**

Parishioners are exhorted to wear face masks as a safeguard to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Congregational singing, the sign of peace and passing of the collection plate continue to be suspended at this time. Church attendance numbers are limited to a maximum of 100 people, providing there is a four square metre space around each person, with the exception of people from the same household. All parishes must ensure that their churches are not left unattended when their doors are open and must keep written record with names and contact details of everyone wo comes into the church at any time and these records must be kept for at least 4 weeks. Parishes are advised to designate specific people to monitor the sign-in process and to make sure all people attending Masses are registering (at least one person from each family group).

# **St Brigid's Parish Information**

Mass Times

Morning Tea Weekday Masses

Reconciliation Sacrament of Anointing Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30 am and 6.00 pm

Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass (NOT during Covid19) Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 9.30 am

**20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass** During 9.30am Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month

BaptismsBy appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month,<br/>*after 9.30am Family Mass.*MarriagesBy appointment, arranged at least six months in advanceParish Office:Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am to 3pm.<br/>Phone 9315 7562.<br/>(For pastoral emergencies, contact Fr Phil 0420 329 731)

# St Brigid's This Week & Beyond

Term 4 - is underway and I hope you have all had a restful holiday, wishing all the teachers and students a wonderful term.

Baptisms - We welcome Reggie McNeil son of Fred and Alice and Rosie Stewart daughter of James and Eva into our parish community this weekend.

## World Mission Day - This Sunday

World Mission Day, or Mission Sunday, reminds Catholics about their commitment and support for the missionary work of the Church through prayer and sacrifice. On Pentecost Sunday, May 31, Pope Francis released his message for this year's celebration and said that the Covid-19 pandemic is an opportunity for mission and service to others. Envelopes are on your pew, thank you for your generosity.

**HSC** - As students prepare and study for their upcoming HSC exams we encourage you to continue to pray for them at this time, please take a student prayer card in the foyer.

Note: New "Kid's Bulletin" available in the Church Foyer.

The service of the service NSW app on your phone to sign in for all Masses



Still today, landmine accidents are prevalent in Cambodia, a cruel reminder of thecountry's troubled past, even for those who were not yet born duringthe tumultuous years of the Khmer Rouge regime and ensuing civilconflicts.

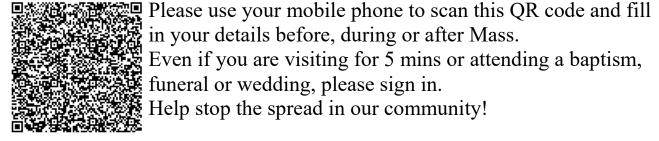
You will hear about Chen's story - how his landmine accident has affected not only his life, but that of his family; and how the <u>Arrupe</u> Centre, led by Bishop Enrique <u>Eigaredo</u>. <u>Alvargonzalez</u> is providing many children and families affected by disability with the support they need to lead fulfilling lives.

Today you have the opportunity to support the Arrupe Centre as it continues this essential work. You may choose to become a monthly partner, in which your gifts will fund community and child-focused programs run by the Church in Cambodia. Your one-off gift today is also very much appreciated and will make a great difference to those in need in Cambodia and around the world.



Freecall: 1800 257 296









#### A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

We are kindly asking for your help in promoting the CyberSafety Survey in your parish community. It would be greatly appreciated if you could please promote and share this link to the CyberSafety Survey <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TC7CYQ3</u> for the next 4 weeks in your bulletin, social media platforms, website, emails, youth ministry groups and livestreams to encourage your parish community to take part. The Safeguarding Office hopes that with your help, together we can develop a suite of eSafety resources that will educate the Archdiocese community about eSafety.