

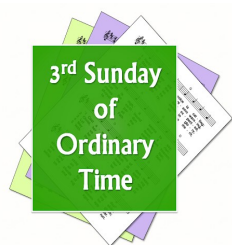
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### Today's Readings



*Jonah 3:1-5.10*  
*1 Corinthians 7:29-31*  
*Mark 1:14-20*

The Ninevite people improve their behaviour and God is merciful.  
Time is short; use your days and efforts wisely.  
Jesus calls his disciples at the Sea of Galilee and they follow Him

Third Sunday in  
Ordinary time  
Year B  
23rd /24th  
January, 2021

### In a nutshell

When the people of Nineveh heard that their city was going to be destroyed because of their wicked ways, they immediately fasted and repented.  
(*First Reading*)

Jesus preached Good News and asked the people to repent and believe, and many did. He changed fishermen into disciples.

Our lives too will be changed if we follow Jesus; perhaps not so drastically as in today's readings, but deeply and surely.



Our nation's story began more than 65,000 years ago. First Nations Australians are the foundation of our nation's story and continue to maintain the world's oldest living culture.

**On Australia Day, this coming Tuesday**, our deep respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture needs to be infused into everything we undertake as part of our commemorations. But in doing so, we also acknowledge that 26 January is a date that, for many, is a reminder of the hurt caused by the arrival of Europeans to this land.

Our desire is that Australia Day is a time for inclusion, as well as an opportunity for greater understanding and reconciliation.

We hope it can be a day when Australians from all backgrounds come together to celebrate the success and optimism of our modern, tolerant and multicultural society; and the strength and resilience of First Nations Australians.

We commit to engaging with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, elders and peoples about Australia Day activities in a true partnership. This includes seeking counsel and permission to draw on this vibrant and profound culture.

We acknowledge the traditional owners of the countries and lands on which Australia Day activities take place, particularly the Gadigal, who are the traditional owners of the lands around Sydney Harbour.

And more than that, we hope to engage all Australians at a deeper level. We continue to work towards the best expression of our national day activities, ensuring that every aspect of our day is welcoming, inclusive and representative of the enormous diversity of this great country.

(adapted from Australia Day website, 2021)

**Entrance antiphon:** Sing a new song to the Lord! Sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
Truth and beauty surround him; he lives in holiness and glory.

**Response to the Psalm:** Teach me your ways, O Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News! Alleluia!

<b>Readers</b>		<b>Ministers of Communion</b>	
<b>Saturday Vigil January</b>	Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator) Sr Jan O'Neil & John Betros	<b>Vigil 5pm January</b>	Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator) Michael Zador & others
<b>Sunday 7.00 am January:</b>	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Peter Frost	<b>Sunday 7.00 am January</b>	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Gary Keating
<b>February:</b>	George & Nicholas Attard	<b>Sunday 9.30 am January:</b>	Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty.
<b>Sunday 9.30 am January 24th</b>	Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Adele Cornale	<b>Sunday 6pm</b>	Andrew Poidevin Paula O'Connor.
<b>Sunday 6pm</b>	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)	<b>Sacristy &amp; Altar</b>	Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller
<b>Church Cleaners</b>		<b>Altar Flowers</b>	Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros
Paula O'Connor and other volunteers.		<b>Piety Stall</b> (5pm Vigil Mass)	Carol Miller
<b>Money Counters—Parish Office</b>			
<b>January 24th:</b>	Group 2	<b>January 31st:</b>	Group 3
<b>February 7th</b>	Group 4	<b>February 14th:</b>	Group 1

<b>Mass Offerings:</b>	<b><i>Your prayers are requested for the following:</i></b>
<b>Recently Deceased:</b>	John Stirrat, Anna Zabourek, Anicca Wadda Sankara, Frank Bowman.
<b>Other Deceased:</b>	Barbara Joy McCormack, Brenda Dore, Corbett Family, Toni Barry, John Vonwiller.
<b>Anniversary:</b>	Mable Rodden, Peter Byrnes, Anne Flaherty, Desmond and Alice Ryan
<b>Sick:</b>	<b>Michael Sweeney</b> , John Cavanagh, Janet Neenan, Hayley Connery ( <i>Ireland</i> ), Rob Williams, June Ferguson, Fay Wilcox, Chris Simpson, Alex Campbell, Paula Hudson, Anne Stirling, Neil Thornton, Marian Moreno, Tony Cruikshank, Diane Gordon, Chris Schneider, Therese Warfield, Owen O'Conner, Margaret Mary Foody, Trish Shadwick, Michelle Thornton, Justin Wood, Joan Edwards, Judy Chock.

<b>Where can I watch Mass, if I am still unable to attend in person because of the COVID-19 restrictions?</b>
St Mary's Cathedral will continue to live-stream the 10:30am Solemn Mass every Sunday while the restrictions continue as well as various other services throughout the week. Check the website for regular updates. <a href="https://www.stmaryscathedral.org.au/">https://www.stmaryscathedral.org.au/</a> Mass For You at Home is broadcast on Channel 10 each Sunday from 6am. There are several live-streaming services for daily Mass both locally and from around the English-speaking world.

<b>St Brigid's Parish Information</b>	
<b>Mass Times</b>	<b>Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30 am and 6.00 pm</b>
<b>Morning Tea Weekday Masses</b>	Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass (NOT during Covid19) <b>Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 9.30 am</b>
<b>Reconciliation</b>	<b>20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass</b>
<b>Sacrament of Anointing</b>	During 9.30am Mass, 2nd Thursday of each Month
<b>Baptisms</b>	By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month, <b><i>after 9.30am Family Mass.</i></b>
<b>Marriages</b>	<b>Saturdays</b> , by appointment, arranged at least six months in advance.
<b>Parish Office:</b>	<b>Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday &amp; Thursday: 9am to 3pm.</b> <b>Phone 9315 7562.</b> (For pastoral emergencies, contact Fr Phil 0420 329 731)

### **St Brigid's This Week & Beyond**

Welcome back to students and teachers, wishing the new kindergarten children a smooth and happy introduction to their new lifestyle at school.

**Special thanks** to all who contributed to our Christmas collections; I acknowledge receipt of \$2652 through the collections at our Masses, and \$270 from the “tap and go” machine in the church foyer. The money will be distributed to needy families and especially children activities in the month ahead. If anyone is aware of any family or group requiring assistance, then please inform our Parish Office ladies or myself.

**Tuesday 26th January - Australia Day Mass - 9.30am** (Parish Office closed today)

**Monday 25th and Thursday 28th - 9.30am Mass as normal.**

**Feast of St Brigid, patron Saint of our parish** - We will celebrate the Feast of St Brigid at all next weekend Masses (Feast Day is Monday 1st February)

**Friday 5th February—special Opening Mass for St Brigid's school at 9.30am**

**Monday 8th February - Meeting of PPC at 7pm in the school library**

Thank you to you all for adhering to the new Covid restrictions. I appreciate wearing a mask during mass is not comfortable for everyone, and we will continue to support and pray for those effected by this pandemic.

**Fr Phil**

### ***Reflection on this week's Liturgy of the Word***

In today's Gospel, Jesus invites people to repent and believe that the “kingdom of God has come near.” Throughout his ministry, in both word and deed, Jesus showed humanity that the kingdom of God is a present reality. For Christians, the appropriate response to the presence of God in real time - in the hear and now - is conversation and discipleship.

In the first reading, God commands Jonah to action; he gets up and goes forth. Jonah's faithfulness to his prophetic task leads the people of Nineveh, from the grandest leaders to the smallest child, to repent and change their ways.

In the Gospel, Simon, Andrew, James and John have no way of knowing what the future holds for them as followers of Jesus. Yet, they respond without hesitation. They forsake the comfortable, familiar and certain. They place the nearness of the kingdom of God, manifest in Jesus, at the very centre of their lives. We are also prophets of our time. We are effective messengers of the good news when ongoing spiritual renewal informs our conduct and lifestyle.

May today's liturgy advance our conversion and fill us with the confidence to get up and go forth, praising God with our lives.

***Living With Christ, Canada, 2021***

### **Entry to the Mass on the day is contingent on agreement to the following conditions:**

All attendees must check-in using the NSW Government QR code or other sign in options on arrival to fulfil our COVID safety requirements.

All attendees must sanitise their hands when entering and leaving the church with sanitiser provided. Please sit only with those in your household and leave at least 2 spaces between yourself and other families. Congregational singing is no longer allowed and masks are compulsory. Children under the age of 12 are exempt from this rule, but are encouraged to wear face masks where practicable.





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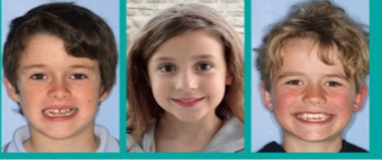
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Child sex Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you – or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02)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