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Third Sunday of Lent Year B 6th / 7th

Inspiration from Pope Francis

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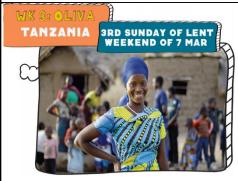
witnesses of the living Christ, many people will encounter Jesus in us. But we ask, and each one of us can ask ourselves – does the Lord feel at home in my life? Do we allow him to "cleanse" our hearts? Do I allow him to cleanse all the behaviours that are against God, against our neighbour, and against ourselves?

Today's Readings

Exodus 20:1-17 The Law was given through Moses

1 Corinthians 1:22-25 The Christian paradox: Christ crucified is the power of God and the wisdom of God.

John 2:13-25 Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up



liva, 22, lives in Tanzania with her farmer husband, two young sons, and their adopted niece and nephew. Oliva didn't have the opportunity to go to school growing up, and she was embarrassed that she

couldn't read, write or count.

She runs a kiosk and works as a farm labourer, but her business was losing money because she couldn't add up. Oliva is far from alone. Around 25 percent of Tanzanian girls and women over 15 can't read or write,4 with many families unable to afford school fees or uniforms.

Then Oliva enrolled in Caritas Australia-supported literacy and numeracy classes. She also set up a classroom at home to teach her neighbours for free, because they were too shy to attend larger classes. Oliva's now graduated, as have some of her students. Attendance at her classes is growing, her kiosk is thriving, and she can help her children with their homework. She aims to become a pastor and run for leadership in her next local election. Oliva aspires to "Be More' and wants to help her community to achieve its vision of a better life for all. "I am proud to be a teacher who helps others to achieve their dream," Oliva says.

Caritas Australia, 2021

Entrance antiphon: My eyes are ever fixed on the Lord, for he releases my feet from the snare. O look at me and be merciful, for I am wretched and alone.

Response to the psalm: The Lord is kind and merciful.

Gospel acclamation: Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! Repent, says the Lord;

the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Readers

Saturday Vigil Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator)

March John Betros

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)

March

ch Gerry Walker Charlie Robinson

Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator)

March Volunteer needed

Sunday 6pm Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Church CleanersPaula O'Connor and other volunteers.

Money Counters—Parish Office

March 7th Group 4 March 14th: Group 1
March 21st: Group 2 March 28th: Group 3

Ministers of Communion

Vigil 5pm Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator)
March Michael Zador & others

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)

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Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator) **March:** Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty.

Sunday 6pm Andrew Poidevin 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: Elsa Boggio De Guerrero , Maria Pereira, Alaine Nixon,

Michael Brennan (Ireland), Eva McCamley, Br Rey Flapper msc.

Other Deceased: Michael Steepe, Patrocinio Bayot, Pacita B Corpus, Antonio Bayot,

Lourdes Bayot, Mary Rath

Anniversary: Barbara Joy McCormack, Jean-Paul Gilbert (France), Alice & Desmond

Ryan, Paul Lum

Sick: Gary Keating, Petra King (New Zealand), Michael Sweeney,

Rowan Tierney, Alison Elliott, Bernice Ralston, John Cavanagh,

Janet Neenan, Hayley Connery (*Ireland*), 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 Chadwick, Michelle Thornton, Justin Wood, Joan Edwards,

Judy Chock.



Volunteers urgently needed for **Catechists** for one hour on Wednesday's at Coogee Public School; and also others to assist at **Children's Liturgy** on 9.30am Sundays.

Please contact Joanne sacramentcoogee@yahoo.com or 9315 7562.

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 (NOT during Covid19)

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

By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month,

after 9.30am Family Mass.

Marriages Saturdays, by appointment, arranged at least six months in advance.

Parish Office: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am to 3pm.

Phone 9315 7562.

(For pastoral emergencies, contact Fr Phil 0420 329 731)

St Brigid's This Week & Beyond

Readers - We are hoping that there may be some members of our parish who are available to read at any of our Masses: you will be placed on a once a month roster. Please contact the parish office if you can help

Service NSW Code - Please remember to login and log out on your app.

Monday 7th March - Parish council meeting in the school library at 7pm

Tuesday 9th March 10am—Social Justice meeting in Blue room (above the parish office) A guest will be presenting from Social Justice Group, Sydney Archdiocese.

All welcome

Sunday 14th March—Children's Liturgy during 9.30am mass.

Australian Catholic Magazine— parish edition, new autumn issue available in the Church Foyer.

MSC Mission Office Newsletter— new edition also available in Church Foyer

Fr Phil



Sacramental Program 2021

Confirmation - Wednesday 16th June 25.30pm and 7.30pm with Bishop Richard Umbers

First Communions - Saturday 11th September 5pm Vigil Mass, Sunday 12th September 9.30am and 11am Masses

Please contact Joanne Smyth at the parish office for any further information. sacramentcoogee@yahoo.com or 9315 7562.

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Sunday Sudoku

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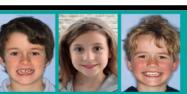
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A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney Child sex Abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with a crime are the police. If you - or anyone you know have been abused, please contact the police. Alternatively, you can contact the Safeguarding and Ministerial Integrity Office at (02) 9390 5810 or $\underline{safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org}. \ You \ may \ also \ want$ 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.

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This week's solution