

Bridie

St. Brigid's Parish Community, Coogee



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Third Sunday of
Easter
17th/ 18th
April, 2021

Jesus sees the difficulty his disciples have believing in his resurrection. He treats his friends gently in assuring them that he is indeed alive, and asks for something to eat. There are times when our faith too can be anything but alive. Jesus invites us to open our hearts to him when we celebrate the Eucharist. He longs to be our intimate friend.

Today's Readings

Acts 3:13-15.17-19 God said through all the prophets that the Christ would suffer.
1 John 2:1-5 Jesus Christ is the sacrifice that takes away our sins and those of the whole world
Luke 24:35-48 It was written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead

Today's Gospel teaching

Today's very unusual Gospel almost seems to have been written as a rebuttal to any idea that the first disciples "invented" the resurrection as a coping strategy. Not only does Jesus appear among them - he asks for something to eat. He's not a ghost or a figment of their imagination. And the sight of him is described as something terrifying, rather than wishful thinking. Look at the words used to describe the disciples' experience; "alarm and fright", "agitated", "dumfounded", "they could not believe it" Rather than welcoming Jesus with great joy, it is almost as if they have to be shaken out of their disbelief by Jesus. "Touch me," he says, and he asks for something to eat. Far from clutching at straws to explain away the death of Jesus, they are so immersed in the brutal fact of his death that they are unable to process seeing him in the flesh. There is a stunned lack of understanding among those first disciples, even as they are overcome with joy.

Perhaps the greatest proof of the authenticity of their experience lies in their lived-out response to these events. "You are witness to this," Jesus tells them - witnessed not simply of their words but by their actions, even to the point of giving their lives to share this astounding news with the whole human race.

Our faith has to have the same elements we see in those disciples: the honesty of their struggle to accept the news of Jesus' resurrection, so that it can also become real for us, so that we too can "see for ourselves": a genuine personal encounter with the risen Lord with his love, his presence; and a desire to witness, to share this good news with the people of our time.

The Living Word 2021

Raise your voices

Entrance antiphon: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy; praise the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise, alleluia.

Response to the psalm: Lord, let your face shine on us.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

Readers		Ministers of Communion	
Saturday Vigil April	Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator) John Betros	Vigil 5pm April	Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator) Michael Zador & others
Sunday 7.00 am April	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Peter Frost & Linda Rath	Sunday 7.00 am April	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Peter Frost
Sunday 9.30 am April 18th	Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Volunteers please	Sunday 9.30 am April:	Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty.
Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)	Sunday 6pm	Andrew Poidevin Paula O'Connor.
Church Cleaners Paula O'Connor and other volunteers.		Sacristy & Altar Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller	
Money Counters—Parish Office		Altar Flowers Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros	
April 18th	Group 2	April 25th:	Group 3
May 2nd	Group 4	May 9th:	Group 1
		Piety Stall (5pm Vigil Mass) Carol Miller	

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

Recently Deceased: Terry Wright, Monica Quigley.

Other Deceased: Exequiel Coyco, Tamoy Coyco, Lauretta Reid, John Reid, Bill Jack, Jack & Alma Saidey, Jack Olde, Bernard Sharratt, Michael Steepe, Patrocinio Bayot, Pacita B Corpus, Antonio Bayot, Lourdes Bayot, Mary Rath.

Anniversary: Ned Ferguson, Joan O'Keefe, Genevieve McCullough

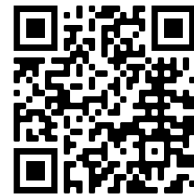
Sick: Carmel Olde, June Ferguson, Gary Keating, Peter Allan (*Dubai*), Petra King (*New Zealand*), Michael Sweeney, Rowan Tierney, Alison Elliott, John Cavanagh, Janet Neenan, Justin Wood. Rob Williams, Fay Wilcox.

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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 (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
Baptisms	By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month, <i>after 9.30am Family Mass.</i>
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

Baptisms - We warmly welcome Chloe Waller, daughter of Ben and Sally, Oliver Doolan Yin, son of Shijie and Alison. May the grace of God be with you and your families always.

Sunday 2nd May—Sydney Male Choir in the church: \$20 each person.
www.sydneymalechoir.com , or at the door.

Brigidine Randwick Annual Ex-Students Reunion will be held on Sunday, May 2 at 1.30 in the old hall near the Quadrangle at the College. Afternoon tea and lots of chat make this a great time to renew old friendships and bring back memories. Please pass this invitation to any former students you may know.

To book (for catering purposes), please contact Dianne Mullin on 0499325823 or email to diannemullin@bigpond.com

Monday 3rd May - PPC meeting at 7pm.



Position Available P/T Sacramental Co-ordinator at St Brigid's

The successful candidate will collaborate with the Parish Priest, office staff, REC at St Brigid's Primary school, and Parish Pastoral Council to implement the mission of the parish in relation to all sacraments. Facilitate baptism preparation meeting with new families, and co-ordinate catechist activities and RCIA in the parish.

This position is Tuesday and Wednesday 9am -3pm, also flexibility is required during sacramental period, special Masses over the weekends and RCIA program.

If you would like to see a full job description please contact the parish office stbparish_coogee@yahoo.com.au or call to discuss 9315 7562. **Fr Phillip Hicks msc.**



**Confirmation
Dates 2021**

Registrations are open via our website www.stbrigidscoogee.org.au. Closing date Monday 3rd May

Workbook session /Commitment Mass: **Saturday 8th May 3.30- 5pm Vigil Mass**

Sacrament of Confirmation: Wednesday 16th June @ 5.30pm and 7.30pm with



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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.

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.