





Cared for by the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 24th October 2021

In a nutshell

Jesus is leaving Jericho. The blind beggar Bartimaeus feels his opportunity disappearing, and persists in shouting, imploring Jesus to have pity on him, even though the crowd tries to quieten him

At Jesus' word the crowd's behaviour changes from scolding to encouragement, from rejection to relationship. Jesus asks Bartimaeus 'What do you want me to do for you?'

What do I want Jesus to do for me?

Jeremiah 31:7-9 I shall lead them back in mercy—both the blind and the lame. Hebrews 5:1-6 You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

Mark 10:46-52 Master, grant that I may see.

Today's Readings

" MASTER, LET ME SEE AGAIN"

Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, sits by the side of the road as the crowds pass by. We see Bartimaeus today sitting in a doorway, or by a lamp post, with a paper coffee cup begging for coins or needing to find a bed on which to rest. We don't know how Bartimaeus lost his sight, but he feels the loss and wants to see again. More deeply he wants to meet Jesus because he recognizes who he really is and that he can help him. He cries out from his heart, "Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me." Many people try to quieten him down and others walk past indifferently; a noisy person on the street is always a nuisance. Jesus hears him, spots him and recognises him as person, a human being who is in need, and he speaks to him. He asks, "What do you want me to do for you?" When Jesus restores physical sight to Bartimaeus, he also receives the gift of faith because he gets up and follows Jesus along the road.

Jesus asks each one of us, "What do you want me to do for you?" We are invited to tell him our needs, our sufferings, our joys and sorrows, and reach out to him in prayer. This is only the beginning of our calling. On Mission Sunday, we are to be inspired like those countless men and woman, priests and laity, that went forth through the gates of All Hallows College. Healed by Christ, it is our baptismal calling to be missionary disciples by stretching out our hands, and giving our time, to the needy people of the world. Can I say "Hello" to the women sitting under the lamp post near the station? Can I buy a sandwich when they say they are hungry? Christ calls us to do this because they present the face of an equal and the face of Christ to us. Whether in deed or in word, each one of us is called to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with those around us. By our love we seek to renew the faith of others who have lost their hope, their future and their sight.

Entrance antiphon: Let hears rejoice who search for the Lord.

Seek the Lord and his strength, see always the face of the Lord.

Response to the psalm: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,

and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

Readers

Saturday Vigil Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator)

October 23rd John Betros

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)

October: Peter Frost

Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator)
October 24th Adele & Gian Cornale

Sunday 6pm Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Andrew Poidevin Marea Wilson

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor and other volunteers.

Money Counters-Parish Office

October 24th: Group 2 October 31st: Group 3
November 7th: Group 4 November 14th: Group 1

Ministers of Communion

Vigil 5pm Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator)
October Sr Jan O'Neil

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)

October Gary Keating

Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator) **October:** 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

Morning Tea Volunteers Required

As we reopen our church we would like to resume morning tea after Sunday 9.30am Mass - If you can please help you will be placed on a once a month roster.

Mass Offerings: Your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased: Patricia Martin, Margaret O'Sullivan, Patricia Lane, Judy Soemono,

Maria Sarno, Marilou Jocson.

Other Deceased: Jean Flaherty.

Anniversaries: Lee Falvey (20 October), Tom Fitzpatrick (11 October), Sr Kathrine Ragg,

Sr Joan Wister.

Sick: Margaret McShane, June Clements, Mariana Wagei, Melinda Craig,

Beverly Flint, June Ferguson, Peter Allan, Michael Sweeney, Rowan Tierney, Alison Elliott, John Cavanagh, Janet Neenan, Justin Wood, Rob Williams.

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 until we get more volunteers)

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, please contact Fr Phil 0420 329 731)

St Brigid's This Week

Dear Parishioners,

Welcome back to everyone for our weekend Masses—and our first Baptisms in a very long time after 9.30am Family Mass. Happy Days!

Also in just over a month's time, our renovated Hall will be available for a variety of St Brigid's community functions, etc.

This Sunday is World Mission Sunday, which reminds us that our parish is always "on mission" to bring the fire of God's love, burning within our own hearts, to people around us.

Due to lockdown, many publications have accumulated—and are now displayed in the Church Foyer:- **Australian Catholics** magazine—both Spring and Summer editions.

The Swag—a magazine from the Australian Council of Priests.

A Church for All—reflections on the Plenary Council.

Majellan magazine and MSC Mission Office Newsletter.

Friday 29th October—Memorial Mass for Patricia Martin at 2pm here at St Brigid's. Early notice—the next meeting of Parish Pastoral Council—8th November at 6pm.

Wishing you every blessing for your families and keep safe. Fr Phil

Church Road Map

- 1. We are fully opened for all Masses.
- 2. The 4 sqm principle will still apply. We will need to wear a mask at all times in the church.
- 3. **Funerals** permitted with density limit up to 100 people.
- 4. **Weddings ceremonies** permitted with density limit for up to 100 people (5-person limit for people who are not fully vaccinated).
- 5. Up to 10 fully vaccinated singers.
- 6. Everyone will need to check in electronically. If you do not have a smart phone, check –in will need to be done through a personal COVID check-in card. This card can be applied for online.

Or, sign the printed sheet in Foyer.

If you have any difficulty please contact the Parish Office and we can help you.





SACRAMENTAL CO ORDINATOR - INEZ AUGUSTINE

First Communion Sunday 21st November 11am & 4pm

Sunday 28th November at 4pm

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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.**