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St. Brigid's Parish Community, Coogee



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**27th Sunday
in
Ordinary Time
2nd/3rd October
2021**

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- [Headspace](#) on 1800 650 890
- [ReachOut](#) at au.reachout.com
- [Care Leavers Australasia Network \(CLAN\)](#) on 1800 008 774

Today's Readings

Genesis 2:18-24 They were two in one flesh.
Hebrews 2:9-11 He who sanctifies, and those who are sanctified, have one origin.
Mark 10:2-16 What God has joined together, no one must divide.

St Francis of Assisi Feast Day 4th October

Stories about St. Francis and Animals The earliest books about Saint Francis were written by Thomas of Celano, a member of Francis' religious order who knew the saint personally. Thomas' books reveal Francis' love for animals and his conviction that religious faith and care for God's creatures go hand-in-hand. Preaching to the Birds "One time as [Francis] was passing through the Spoleto valley, he came upon a place near Bevagna, in which a great multitude of birds of various kinds had assembled.

When the holy one of God saw them, because of the outstanding love of the Creator with which he loved all creatures, he ran swiftly to the place. He greeted them in his usual way, as if they shared in reason. As the birds did not take flight, he went to them, going to and fro among them, touching their heads and bodies with his tunic.

"Meanwhile his joy and wonder increased as he carefully admonished them to listen to the Word of God: 'My brother birds, you should greatly praise your Creator and love Him always. He clothed you with feathers and gave you wings for flying. Among all His creatures He made you free and gave you the purity of the air. You neither sow nor reap, He nevertheless governs you without your least care.' "At these words, the birds gestured a great deal, in their own way.

They stretched their necks, spread their wings, opened their beaks and looked at him. They did not leave the place until, having made the sign of the cross, he blessed them and gave them permission. On returning to the brothers he began to accuse himself of negligence because he had not preached to the birds before. From that day on, he carefully exhorted birds and beasts and even insensible creatures to praise and love the Creator.

*"While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be
careful to have it even more fully in your heart".*

St Francis of Assisi

SCS Family & Faith – Events & Activities offered

Sydney Catholic Schools invites students and families to take part in Family and Faith events. Please take note of dates, times and links to access each event below.

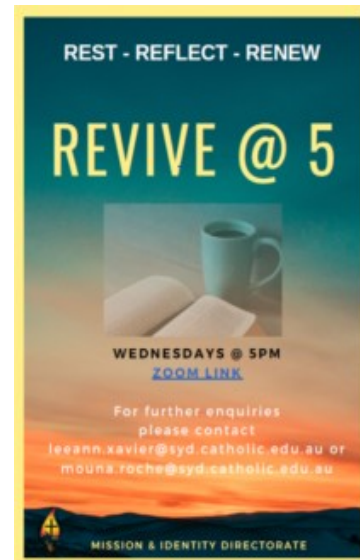
Revive @5 Each Wednesday at 5pm

You are invited to join the Mission and Identity Team, and special guests, each Wednesday for Revive @ 5

This is an opportunity for spiritual nourishment, reflection and renewal.

Zoom Link – <https://scscatholic.zoom.us/j/63406954167#success>

Previous sessions Link – <https://reonline.sydcatholicschools.nsw.edu.au/revive5/>



Prayer for the Plenary Council

The Holy Spirit brings new life to the Church. We pray that we all may be open to the promptings of the Spirit; that all delegates be prepared to open their hearts and minds in their conversations and prayer.

Make us all strong and constant followers of Jesus with a desire to live and proclaim the Gospel message. Amen.

Mass Offerings:

Your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased:

Margaret O’Sullivan, Patricia Lane, Judy Soemono, Maria Sarno, Marilou Jocson.

Other Deceased:

Jean Flaherty.

Anniversaries:

Sr Kathrine Ragg.

Sick:

June Clements, Mariana Wagei, Melinda Craig, Beverly Flint, June Ferguson, Peter Allan, Petra King, Michael Sweeney, Rowan Tierney, Alison Elliott, John Cavanagh, Janet Neenan, Justin Wood, Rob Williams.

St Brigid’s Parish Information - Our church and parish office is currently closed, however, we do check all messages.

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, please contact Fr Phil 0420 329 731)

St Brigid's This Week

Dear Parishioners,

Plenary Council: This Sunday 3rd October 2021, our Catholic Church throughout Australia celebrates the Opening Mass for the Plenary Council. Many individuals and groups have contributed to this, and we pray the members will all listen to the Spirit in their hearts, and in the voices of all delegates, as we all move forward to the renewal of our Catholic communities.

Sacraments: For all enquiries, baptisms, etc. please keep in touch through sacramentcoogee@yahoo.com as our sacramental coordinator, Inez Augustine, continues to work from home at present during lockdown.

We have now locked in to three special **First Communion Masses** (distinct from normal weekend Masses) - **on Sunday 21 November at 11am and 4pm; Sunday 28 November at 4pm.** (Initial preparation for children will be via zoom—to be advised)

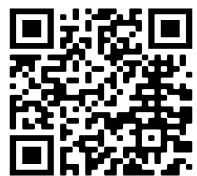
Conforming to government public health regulations, we may find our church open for *weekday Masses when "lockdown" eases—for those double vaccinated—by Tuesday 12th October.* However, still a lot of uncertainty about this. Weekends much later in the month.

Please remember—Friday 8th at 10am for our next Parish Coffee Zoom catch up.

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

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Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen

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A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

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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.**