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St. Brigid's Parish Community, Coogee

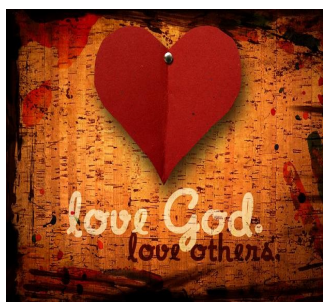


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**31st Sunday
in
Ordinary Time
31st October 2021**

In a nutshell

Today we celebrate our future: eternal life praising and glorifying God. We are journeying through time with our eyes fixed on the world to come where we will see God face to face.

Today's gospel passage of the Beatitudes calls 'happy' those on earth who are gentle, merciful, poor in spirit, peacemakers and those who suffer for what is right.

May we all find a place in God's heavenly kingdom.

Today's Readings

Deuteronomy 6:2-6
Hebrews 7:23-28
Mark 12:28-34

Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord with all your heart.
This one, because he reminds for ever, has an eternal priesthood
This is the first commandment, and the second is similar to it.

“There is no commandment greater than these.”

Jesus' response to the question about which is the first commandment of all directs us to the heart of the identity of the people of God. For people of the Jewish faith, the most succinct way of expressing their identity was - and is to this day - by reciting the Shema Yisrael, quoted in both today's first reading and Gospel: "Listen, Israel: the Lord our God is the one Lord." It's something to be recited daily and so important that often these are the last words a dying Jewish person utters. Jesus links this core belief with his second commandment: love of neighbor as oneself.

Mark's Gospel tells us that the answer is simply to make love the centre of who we are: to live by love and not to give in to fear and despair, which are the opposite of love. St John tells us that perfect love casts out fear. Love of God and love of neighbour as oneself is how we remain true to our deepest self in the here and now, with all its pressures and challenges; and it is how we can confidently prepare for the day when we will face the Son of God. It is love which most clearly identifies who we are, where we have come from, how we are to live now and what our future is to be. This is an identity which can never be stolen from us.

Living Word 2021

Entrance antiphon: Let us all rejoice in the Lord and keep a festival in honour of all the saints.
Let us join with the angels in joyful praise to the Son of God.

Response to the psalm: I love you, Lord my strength.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. Alleluia!

Saturday Vigil October 30th	Readers Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator) John Betros	Vigil 5pm October	Ministers of Communion Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator) Sr Jan O'Neil
Sunday 7.00 am October: November:	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Peter Frost and Linda Rath Jerry Walker and Charlie Robinson	Sunday 7.00 am October	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Gary Keating
Sunday 9.30 am October 31st	Adele Cornale (Coordinator)	Sunday 9.30 am October:	Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty.
Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator) Andrew Poidevin Marea Wilson	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
October 31st:	Group 3	November 7th:	Group 4
November 14th :	Group 1	November 21st:	Group 2
		Piety Stall (5pm Vigil Mass)	Carol Miller



Morning Tea Volunteers Required
With the opening of 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:	<i>Your prayers are requested for the following:</i>
Recently Deceased:	Patricia Martin, David McIntosh, Margaret O'Sullivan, Patricia Lane, Judy Soemono, Maria Sarno, Marilou Jocson.
Anniversaries:	Eufemia Benussi (30 October), Lee Falvey , Tom Fitzpatrick.
Sick:	Frank DiGeorgio, 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.
<i>During the month of November, priests in the parish offer Masses each day for the Faithful Departed—for those whose names are in the Memorial Book. Also “November Masses” envelope intentions are sent through the MSC Mission Office to assist priests overseas, who also celebrate Masses for your intentions.</i>	
<i>Fr Phil</i>	

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 Weekday Masses	Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass (NOT until we get more volunteers) 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,

Vigil Mass this Saturday—we welcome some First Communion families; the non-St Brigid's School children have had special preparation here in the parish this afternoon.

Monday +1st November—Feast of All Saints: 9.30am Mass.

Tuesday 2nd November—All Soul's Day: Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed: 9.30am Mass.

Monday 8th November—Parish Pastoral Council Meeting at 6pm in school library.

As I mentioned last week, due to lockdown, many publications have accumulated—and are now displayed in the Church Foyer. Please feel free to take what you wish for family / personal reading:

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**.

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

HSC 2021

If you would like to add the name of a HSC student to the list in the foyer.

We will make a prayer card for them this week.



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY
The following child was baptised on
Sunday

Marcel Stanley Pierre, son of Simon and Justine

May the Lord bless you and your family

*Eternal rest grant unto
them, O Lord, and let
perpetual light shine
upon them. May the
souls of the faithful
departed, through the
mercy of God, rest in
peace. Amen.*



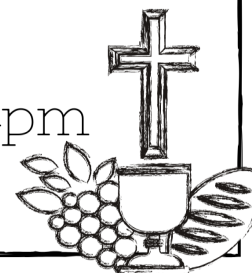
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Sunday 28th
November at 4pm

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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.**