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St. Brigid's Parish Community, Coogee



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Today's Readings

Micah 5:1-4 Out of you will be born the one who is to rule over Israel
Hebrews 10:5-10 I am coming to do your will
Luke 1:39-45 Why should it happen that I am honoured with a visit from the mother of the Lord?

**Fourth Sunday of
Advent
19th December
2021**

St Brigid's Parish Community look forward to
welcome you at our Christmas Mass

Christmas Mass Times

Fr Phil msc, Fr Thang msc & Fr Bob msc

Friday Dec. 24, 5pm 7pm 9pm	Saturday Dec. 25, 7am 9.30am no 6pm mass
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**"Blessed is she who
believed that the promise
made her by the Lord
would be fulfilled."**

As we hear in today's Gospel, Mary was bursting with news and it was about the birth of a baby. She couldn't keep it to herself: no sooner did the angel bring her the good news of great joy than she set off to share it with her cousin.

The two women joyfully shared their faith together. Mary, travelling with the good news of the Gospel, was the first apostle, the first evangelist, the first missionary, the first person to share the faith she had. And when she reached Elizabeth there was stirring in response. A great deal is said today about spreading the faith, "new evangelisation". Pope Francis commented on it: "We evangelise not with grand words, or complicated concepts, but with 'the joy of the Gospel'. The ones who do this best are often those whom the world has treated badly or who have made a mess of their life, and who find their way to the Church where Jesus meets us and answers the prayer we made in the response to the psalm today, "let your face shine on us and we shall be saved".


The Living Word 2021

Entrance antiphon: Let the clouds rain down the Just One, and the earth bring forth a Saviour.

Response to the psalm: Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the servant of the Lord: may his will for me be done. Alleluia!

Saturday Vigil December 19th	Readers Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator) Chelsea Albert & Sr Jan O'Neil	Vigil 5pm December	Ministers of Communion Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator) Sr Jan O'Neil
Sunday 7.00 am December:	Peter Frost (Coordinator) George & Nick Annas	Sunday 7.00 am December	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Gary Keating
Sunday 9.30 am December 19th	Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Gian Cornale	Sunday 9.30 am December	Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Pilar Ovelar, Phil Docherty.
Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator) Marea Wilson	Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor.
	Church Cleaners Paula O'Connor and other volunteers.		Sacristy & Altar Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller
	Money Counters—Parish Office December 19th: Group 2 December 26th : Group 3 January 2nd: Group 4 January 10th : Group 1		Altar Flowers Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros
			Piety Stall (5pm Vigil Mass) Carol Miller



Baptisms this weekend

Isobel Anne Gantley-Love, daughter of Adrian and Elizabeth
Archie Xavier Keen, son of Daniel and Liora

May the Lord bless you and your families

Mass Offerings:	<i>Your prayers are requested for the following:</i>
Recently Deceased:	Luke Davies, Julie Mangan (Ireland), Niall McMenamin (Co Tyrone, Ireland), David Murtagh (NZ), Moyra Milchelmore, Marjorie Devitt, Valerie Micallef, Janet Neenan.
Other Deceased:	Bill Jack, Jack & Alma Saidey, Carmel(Saidey) Olde and Jack Olde Joan O'Keefe, Margaret Wordon.
Anniversaries:	Juanita Bowler Cordner , Michael Flynn (Ireland), Lauren Julian.
Sick:	June Ferguson, June Clements, Mariana Wagei, Melinda Craig, Beverly Flint, Michael Sweeney, Rowan Tierney, Alison Elliott, John Cavanagh, 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 Weekday Masses	Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass (when 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 and Beyond

Dear Parishioners,

Although Covid-19 restrictions have eased, everyone needs to continue to sign in on QR code; and masks are recommended (but not compulsory) in places of worship. Please join in the singing—sound system is supposedly fully repaired.

Monday 20th December - We are delighted to once again host the **Christmas Carols and Readings**, involving Sydney Youth Orchestra and Opera singers. 7pm in the Church. *(However bookings are now closed—full house!!)* The video recording should be on our website by Wednesday.

Tuesday 21th December - 7.30pm, Community Sacramental Celebration of God's Mercy and Forgiveness. *(includes availability for sacramental Reconciliation)*

For Christmas Masses—we still need more “volunteers” for Hospitality / Readers / Collectors and ‘Communion Ministers.

A full listing of Christmas Masses and January holiday Mass times is enclosed within the Bridie, and available in the Foyer.

And for our families who are travelling and not here to celebrate Christmas at St Brigid's, we wish you all safe journeys as you go to your relatives and friends.

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






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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.**