





Cared for by the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart

msc Secretary: Caroline Doherty Sacramental Co-ord: Inez Augustine

**Christmas Readings** 

**Phone**: 9315 7562 Website: www.stbrigidscoogee.org.au

Safe Guarding Officer: Sharon Waller philhicksmsc@gmail.com St Brigid's Primary School Principal - Diane Cowan Email:stbparish\_coogee@yahoo.com.au 160 Coogee Bay Rd Coogee NSW 2034

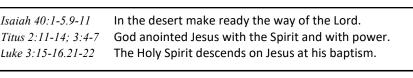


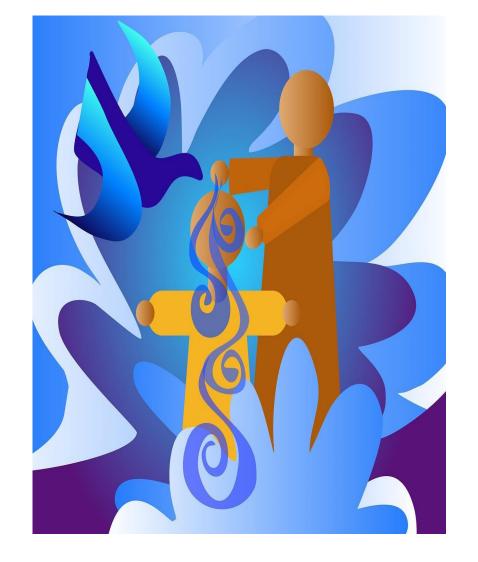
# The Baptism of the Lord 8th/9th January Year C 2022

### In a nutshell

The prophet Isaiah announces the consolation of the people, because God is coming with forgiveness and salvation. John the Baptist points to Jesus as the Christ, who he will baptise with the Holy Spirit.

After Jesus' baptism with water, God proclaims: 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you'. Our faith and hope must always rest in Jesus, who offers God's free gift of salvation to all.





**Entrance antiphon:** When the Lord had been baptised, the heavens opened, and the Spirit came down like a dove to rest on him. Then the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with him I am well pleased.

e Lord my soull

<b>Gospel acclamation:</b> Alleluia, alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!	Response to the psain:	On, bless the Lord, my soul!	
	Gospel acclamation:		

Saturday Vigil January	<b>Readers</b> Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator) Sr Jan O'Neil & Radmila Lewis	Ministers of CommunionVigil 5pmSr. Gabriel (Coordinator)JanuaryPaula O'Connor			
Sunday 7.00 am January February	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Peter Frost & Linda Rath Charlie Robinson & Gerry Walker	Sunday 7.00 amPeter Frost (Coordinator)JanuaryGary KeatingFebruaryPeter Frost			
9th December Paula O'Co Money January 10th : C	Adele Cornale (Coordinator) John Rouen Church Cleaners onnor and other volunteers. Counters—Parish Office Group 1 January 16th: Group 2 Group 3 January 30th: Group 4	Sunday 9.30 am January . Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Pila Ovelar Sacristy & Altar Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller Altar Flowers Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros Piety Stall (5pm Vigil Mass) Carol Miller			
Sacramental Dates 2022 for your calendar. First Reconciliation—Wednesday 30th March—5pm & 7pm Confirmation—Tuesday 14th June—5pm & 7pm: (which bishop is not known at present) First Communion—Masses are being planned for Sunday 11 September.					
Mass Offerings	Your prayers are re	equested for the following:			
<b>Recently Deceas</b>	ed: Clare Reilly (mother of	of Brother Phil Reilly msc), and Luke Davies.			
Other Deceased	Bill Jack, Jack & Alma Joan O'Keefe, Margare	Saidey, Carmel( Saidey) Olde and Jack Olde et Wordon.			
Anniversaries:	Barbara Joy McCorma	<b>ack</b> (Jan 11)			
Sick:	Also, June Ferguson, J	<b>family and friends who have Covid-19.</b> June Clements, Mariana Wagei, Melinda Craig, Sweeney, Rowan Tierney, Alison Elliott, Wood, Rob Williams.			
St Brigid's Parish InformationMass TimesSaturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, and 9.30 am—NO 6.00 pm					
Morning Tea Weekday Masses	Sundays after the 9.30 a	am Family Mass ( <b>when Covid allows us safely again</b> ) only— 9.30 am — during January			
Reconciliation	20 Minutes before Satu	rday Vigil Mass			
Sacrament of Ano		nd Thursday of each Month			
Baptisms	By appointment, on the <i>after</i> 9.30am Family Ma	first and third Sundays of each month, ass.			

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,

**The parish office is open again,** however Fr Phil is on a short holiday from Monday 10th - Thursday 20th January. The January Mass schedule is continuing as announced—Tuesday / Thursday 9.30am; Weekends—5pm Vigil, and 7am and 9.30am only on Sundays.

This Sunday after 9.30am Mass, we celebrate two baptisms—ZOE PEREIRA and ROMAN DEASY.

This coming Monday 10th is the anniversary of the death of Eileen O'Connor, founder of Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor.

However, due to covid restrictions, the sisters have advised there will be no public Mass this year.

Please hold in prayer and support a growing number of parishioners who now have Covid-19.

May you all keep safe and healthy in the weeks ahead, Fr Phil (parish priest)

### **Reflection on the Baptism of Jesus.**

In the sacrament of baptism, God claims us for God's self. In today's gospel when Jesus was baptized, a voice from heaven said: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." God says the same thing to us at our baptism: "You are my beloved sons and daughters; with you I am well pleased."

When we realize we are chosen by God, we come to see that we are a special people. From the moment we recognize this we are charged with the responsibility to become who we are meant to be. It is one thing to simply say, "I am beloved," but it is an entirely different reality to embody those words and truly make them our own. Belovedness is not about superiority or acclaim. Rather, it is a humble acknowledgment that God lives and moves in each of us.

In the reading from the Acts of the Apostles, Peter tells the community that Jesus "went about doing good and healing all those oppressed." We share the same call by virtue of our common baptism. This universal call to holiness, grounded in God's love for us, is the duty of each and every Christian. We pray that we can tear down any forms of division among us, for as Peter says, "God shows no partiality." This is true even within the church. While our lives may take different directions and forms, all of us share a common call. *(from Living Liturgy 2022)* 





### 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 <u>safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org</u>.

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.**