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St Brigid's Parish Community, Coogee



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First Sunday in Lent Year C 5th / 6th March, 2022



Readings for this weekend

26:4-10 Moses tells the Israelites of God's care for them Rom 10:8-13 All who call upon the Lord will be saved. Luke 4:1-12 Jesus is tempted in the desert.



Our Lenten Journey

Holy Companion of our wilderness wandering, draw near to us and give us strength. Remind us of the ways in which you have always been a God of liberation for the alienated and the lost. Lead us to embrace our vocation to authentically serve you and one another, reaching beyond ourselves to empower the powerless. Amen.

When I pray for peace, I pray God to pacify not only the Russians and the Chinese but above all my own nation and myself. When I pray for peace, I pray to be protected not only from the Reds but also from the folly and blindness of my own country. When I pray for peace, I pray not only that the enemies of my country may cease to want war, but above all that my own country will cease to do the things that make war inevitable.

Thomas Merton, writing about the U.S. in 1949.

Entrance antiphon: When he calls on me, I will answer him I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of

Response to the psalm: Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

Gospel acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!



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Readers

Saturday Vigil Sr Jan O'Neil (Coordinator) 5th March **Reconciliation Family Mass** Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator) March George & Nick Annas

Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator) 6th March Mark Woolford

Sunday 6pm Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

> **Church Cleaners** Paula O'Connor and other volunteers. **Money Counters (parish office)**

March 6th: Group 1 March 13th: Group 2 March 20th: Group 3 March 27th: Group 4 **Ministers of Communion**

Sr. Gabriel (Coordinator) Vigil 5pm

March Michael Zador

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)

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Sunday 9.30 am Adele Cornale (Coordinator) Phil Docherty, Pilar Ovelar March Sunday 6pm Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

> Sacristy & Altar Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller

Altar Flowers

Nobuko Konda & Margaret Betros

Piety Stall (5pm Vigil Mass) Carol Miller

Sacramental Dates 2022

Wednesday 30th March **First Reconciliation** 5pm & 7pm (Commitment and Blessing Mass at 5pm Vigil Mass and 9.30 Sunday this weekend) Tuesday 14th June Confirmation 5pm & 7pm

Sunday 11th September **First Communion**

Mass intentions Your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased: John McCarthy, Mazz Appleton, Hilda Nellany (UK), Mary Murray.

Other Deceased: Sr Elaine Whittaker, Dorothy Costigan, Frank Bowman.

Maureen O'Connor (16 March). **Anniversaries:**

Sick: All parishioners and family and friends who have Covid-19.

> Also, Diane Gordon, Andrew Walker, June Clements, Mariana Wagei, Melinda Craig, Beverly Flint, Michael Sweeney, Rowan Tierney, Alison Elliott,

> > St Brigid's Parish Information

Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30am and 6pm **Mass Times**

Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass (when Covid allows us safely begin again) **Morning Tea**

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, **Baptisms**

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 and Beyond

Dear Parishioners.

Lenten prayer books are available on the tables in the Church Foyer—one from Brisbane Archdiocese (*which is excellent*); and still copies from Sydney Archdiocese. Please take either, or both, for your own Lenten journey, or to share with others in a small group.

Ease of Covid restrictions: Masks no longer essential (but still feel free to wear them, as there is a lot of covid around); and please join in the singing with our choirs.

Easter Choir Practice has commenced—Thursday evenings 7.30pm to 9pm. All welcome to join in.

Monday 7th March -This will be the first meeting of Parish Pastoral Council—5.30pm in school library. Thursday 10th March—9.30am Mass includes Sacrament of Anointing.

Thursday 17th March - St Patrick's Feast Day Mass with Bishop Terry Brady at St Mary's Cathedral—10.30am.

Baptisms this week - Congratulations to the following children who are welcomed into our parish community, and being baptised during 9.30am Family Mass: *Lachlan and Indie Litherland*.

Over the next two weekends, we welcome Sister Ivy, speaking about Project Compassion & Caritas.

Parish Retreat this coming weekend—last chance to book in this Monday!!

Fr Phil

A Prayer for Ukraine

Gracious God, we pray for the people of Ukraine suffering from war.

May they be held in your loving care and protection and given the strength to endure their suffering and hardship.

Transform the hearts and minds of those who perpetuate the violence and oppression.

Grant wisdom to world leaders in advancing efforts toward peace; may they not be compromised by self-interest and blind indifference.

We ask all this through the intercession of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and in the name of your Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen



First Sunday of Lent 5 & 6 March





Anatercia 12, was struggling to cope with adult responsibilities after her father died. Then she participated in Caritas Australiasupported training and gained access to psychosocial supports.

Now, <u>Anatercia</u> can easily access clean drinking water, community members are able to grow healthy crops all year round, and there is enough nutritious food to eat. <u>Anatercia</u> feels better supported by her community, has more time to study and do her homework, and hopes to <u>fulfil</u> her dream of becoming a nurse.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help young people succeed in the future and bring stability to vulnerable youth like <u>Anatercia</u>.



Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.





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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.**