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**31st Sunday
in Ordinary Time
Year C
29th/30th October 2022**

Save the
date!

Sunday 13th November - 10am

You are welcome to our
Centenary Mass at St Brigid's with
Bishop Terry Brady. There will be
a hall display and sausage sizzle.

Please note there will be no 7am,
9.30am or 6pm on Sunday 13th
November.

Readings for this weekend

Wisdom 11:22 12:3 Our patient God is a love of life, whose spirit fills all things.
Thess: 1-11.2:2 Paul prays that God will make us worthy of our call.
Luke 19:1-10 Zac meets Jesus, who comes to seek out and save those who are lost.

No matter how far we stray, God always welcomes us back.

The story of Zacchaeus in today's gospel, gives us a clear picture of what human shortness and shortcomings could look like. Zacchaeus may have been a handsome man. He may have had well-arranged dentition, smooth skin and glazing eyes. But his physical endowment was short of height. And while you laugh because you are tall, just look at your dentition; look at that scare on your skin that has just spoilt the whole show. Whatever shortness we see in our life imposes one challenge or another. In case of Zacchaeus, the challenge was that: "he wanted to catch a glance of Jesus, but he was too short and was unable to see him because of the crowd" – (Lk 19:3). Again, Zacchaeus had a shortcoming in morals. He was a tax collector. In any case, it was not his being a tax collector that was the problem.

The issue was that tax collectors are marked for their unjust extortions which Zacchaeus was not innocent of. The challenge this imposed was that people would not like to have anything to do with him. No wonder they picked at Jesus when He chose to associate with him.

Zacchaeus found his own sycamore. Your sycamore is out there. Even that shortness of yours, that shortcoming of yours would help you find your way to your "sycamore" where you will discover God. I remember the woman with an issue of blood – Matt. 9:18-22. Her shortness and shortcomings made way for her to see Jesus. It will cost you the three "D's" – Determination – Dedication – and Discipline.

(7am Mass only)

Entrance antiphon: Do not abandon me. Lord My God, do not go away from me! Hurry to help me, Lord, my Saviour.

Response to the psalm: I will praise your name forever, my king and my God.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might eternal life. Alleluia!

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Tel: 9315 7562



Readers

Saturday Vigil 5pm October	Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator), Ramila Lewis Sr Jan O'Neil
Sunday 7.00 am October	Peter Frost (Coordinator), Gerry Walker and Charlie Robinson
Sunday 9.30 am October	Adele Cornale (Coordinator), Di Karas Sharron Critchley
Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Margaret & John Betros and other
volunteers

Money Counters

October 30th: Group 3	November 6th: Group 4
November 13th: Group 1	November 20th: Group 2

Ministers of Communion

Saturday Vigil 5pm October	Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator), John Betros, Radmila Lewis
Sunday 7.00 am October	Peter Frost (Coordinator), Gary Keating
Sunday 9.30 am October	Adele Cornale (Coordinator), Pila Ovelar
Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Sacristy & Altar

Pilar Ovelar & Carol Miller

Altar Flowers

Pilar Ovelar, Carol Miller & Margaret Betros

Piety Stall

(5pm Vigil Mass) Carol Miller

Birthday wishes

Wishing George Shehadie a very *Happy 90th Birthday*.
God Bless you and your family on this milestone birthday.

Fr Thoi

Sunday 30th– Morning Tea after 9.30 Family Mass:

Thank you to Phil and Monica our hosts
this weekend.



Mass Intentions —your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased	Ann Wright, Nelly McNamara
Anniversaries	Eufemia Benussi, Lavina Hanna , Mollie McCabe, Pat Summers
Deceased	Guillermo Zuniga, Lucy Santan, Betty Mcawall, Robert Keyes, Georgina Dubos
Sick	Peter Frost, Geoff Wall, Sean Mullin, Catherine Sharpley and June Ferguson

St Brigid's Parish Information

Mass Times	Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30am and 6pm
Morning Tea	Sundays after the 9.30 am Family Mass.
Weekday Masses	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday – 9.30 am
Reconciliation	20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass
Sacrament of Anointing	During 9.30am Mass, First Friday of every month.
Baptisms	By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month, <i>after</i> 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.

St Brigid's This Week and Beyond

Dear Parishioners,

Monday 31st October - Parish Pastoral Council will meet in the parish office at 5.30pm

Tuesday 1st November - All Saints Day, our school community will join us for Mass at 9.30am.

Tuesday 2nd November - All Souls Day - Please write the names of deceased family and friends in the memorial book in the foyer.

Tuesday 8th November - Social Justice meeting in the Blue Room at 10am, all welcome.

Catholic Mission appeal - Thank you for all your generous contributions to this appeal.

Please find below an extract and picture from a recent letter from Fr Bob Irwin msc, we are missing Fr Bob in our parish and always happy to hear from him.

Parish Office Team

Dear friends,

Greetings from Saigon (Ho Chi Minh City) Vietnam.

I hope you are doing ok, and staying dry at least. You must be sick and tired of rain, but I hope that none of you or your loved ones have been affected by the floods. Here in Saigon it is nearing the end of the rainy(monsoon) season...but that is a bit of a moveable feast. Thus, the weather is getting cooler 25-29! However, Central Vietnam bears the brunt of monsoon season with lots of flooding, landslides etc. Meanwhile, tourists have begun coming in good numbers again. Despite Covid being under control, the wearing of masks is compulsory in many situations, including on your motor bike! I guess, with traffic the way it is, one can spend a lot of time side by side in traffic jams! Still, many wear their masks while exercising in the park.

Take care, God bless, Spare us a prayer when you can. Love, Uncle Bob

Upcoming Events

Monday 31st October	PPC Meeting in the parish office 5.30pm
Friday 4th November	Coffee Club 10am - 12pm
Sunday 13th November	Centenary Mass at 10am
Saturday 10th/Sunday 11th December	Christmas Carols



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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.**