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St Brigid's Parish Community, Coogee  
Cared for by the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart



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**Fourth Sunday of Advent  
Year A  
17th/18th December 2022**

## IN A NUTSHELL

It appears from the passage that Mary's child is to be called both Jesus and "Emmanuel". Emmanuel is not intended as a different name for Jesus but rather one of the many titles that will be applied to him.

The title means "God-is-with-us". That one word, Emmanuel, sums up the essence of Jewish and Christian belief.

The Jewish people's faith in God was built on the basis that God travelled with them and through their lives. Christians believe that God took on an even closer sense of being with us through God's incarnation in the life of Jesus.

## Readings for this weekend

*Isaiah 7:10-14*

Prediction of Immanuel, born of a virgin.

*Romans 1: 1-7*

Paul spreads the news of the Son of God.

*Matthew 1: 18-24*

An angel visits Joseph, who takes Mary as his wife.



Aussie families are struggling to survive the increasing cost-of-living pressures this Christmas.

**Your generosity can provide urgent relief for a family who's doing it tough this Christmas, and give them hope for a better future.**



### Food for families

Your donation can help provide food vouchers and hampers to families like Kelly's, so they always have food on the table and their children don't go to bed hungry.



### Relief from mounting bills

Donate now and you can help provide immediate financial relief so families can keep utilities on and afford fuel to go to work.



### A roof over their heads

If they fall behind on rent, the risk of homelessness for families grows. Your donation can provide support with rent payments, so families like Kelly's can keep a roof over their heads.

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

**Response to the psalm:** Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.

**Gospel acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! A virgin will give birth to a son; his name will be Emmanuel: God is with us. Alleluia!



### Readers

<b>Saturday Vigil 5pm December</b>	Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator) Chelsea Albert and John Betros
<b>Sunday 7.00 am</b>	Peter Frost (Coordinator)
<b>Sunday 9.30am</b>	Diane Karas Sharron Critchley
<b>Sunday 6pm</b>	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

### Church Cleaners

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

### Money Counters

<b>December 18th:</b> Group 2	<b>December 25th:</b> Group 3
<b>January 1st:</b> Group 4	<b>January 8th:</b> Group 1

### Ministers of Communion

<b>Saturday Vigil 5pm December</b>	Sr Gabriel (Coordinator), John Betros, Radmila Lewis
<b>Sunday 7.00 am December</b>	Peter Frost (Coordinator), Peter Frost
<b>Sunday 9.30 am December</b>	Adele Cornale (Coordinator), Pila Ovelar
<b>Sunday 6pm</b>	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

**Hospitality volunteers** required for 2023.  
Please contact the office if you would like to go on our roster for morning tea after Sunday 9.30am Mass

### Sunday 18th December

Thank you the Moyes family for hosting our morning tea this Sunday.



## Mass Intentions —your prayers are requested for the following:

**Recently Deceased** Maurice Collins (Mossie - Ireland)

**Anniversaries** Russell Byrne

**Deceased** Eileen and Paul McMahon, Fitzpatrick Family, Kit and Bill Sanders,  
Bill Jack, Jack and Alma Saidey, Jack and Carmel Saidy Olde and Carmel Olde.

**Sick** Geoff Wall, Sean Mullin, Catherine Sharpley and June Ferguson

## St Brigid's Parish Information

<b>Mass Times</b>	Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30am and 6pm
<b>Morning Tea</b>	Thursday at 10am and Sundays after the 9.30am Family Mass.
<b>Weekday Masses</b>	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday – 9.30 am
<b>Reconciliation</b>	20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass
<b>Sacrament of Anointing</b>	During 9.30am Mass, First Friday of every month.
<b>Baptisms</b>	By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month, <i>after</i> 9.30am Family Mass.
<b>Marriages</b>	Saturdays, by appointment, arranged at least six months in advance
<b>Parish Office:</b>	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9am to 3pm. Phone 9315 7562.

## *St Brigid's This Week and Beyond*

Dear Parishioners,

**Vinnies Christmas Appeal** - This weekend there are envelopes on the pews if you would like to support the Vinnies Christmas appeal, we are grateful for your support.

**Tuesday 20th December** - Communal Celebration of God's Love and Mercy - 7.30pm

**Christmas roster** - If you are able to assist during any of our Christmas Masses please let the office staff know.

**Christmas Eve Carols** will start at 9pm prior to our 9.30am Mass - Our Saturday 5pm Choir would like more singers to join them, if you are interested please can you call the parish office.

**Keys** - A bunch of keys were left in the church after the Christmas carols on Sunday, please call the parish office.

Christmas Eve - Family Mass 5pm		Christmas Eve 9.30pm Carols at 9pm	Christmas Day 7am	Christmas Day 9.30am
<b>First Reading</b>	Adele Cornale	Di Karas	Charlie Robinson	Katrina Juric
<b>Second Reading</b>	Adele Cornale	Therese Compton		Katrina Juric
<b>Prayers of the Faithful</b>	Anna & Claudia	Chelsea Albert		
<b>Ministers of Eucharist x 4</b>	Paula O'Connor	Sharron Critchley		
<b>Offertory x 2</b>	Anna & Claudia			
<b>Collection x 6</b>	Jeanine Pickering Phil Docherty			Phil Docherty
<b>Counters</b>	Michael Zador	Michael Zador		

Sacrament Dates 2023 (Contact Inez at [sacramentcoogee@gmail.com](mailto:sacramentcoogee@gmail.com) with any enquiries)

- **First Reconciliation** - registration 5th Dec - 20th Feb. Parent info at 4pm followed by Mass 25th Feb. Celebration of Reconciliation - 19th March 5pm or 7pm
- **Confirmation** - registration 24th April - 14th May. Parent info at 4pm followed by Mass 20th May and Celebration of Confirmation 28th June
- **First Eucharist** - registration 17th July - 1st August. Parent info at 4pm followed by Mass 5th August. Celebration of First Eucharist 10th September 11am or 1pm.

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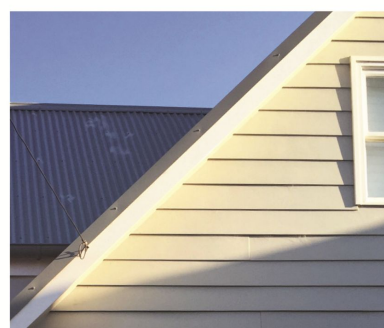
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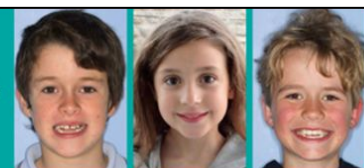


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## A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

**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](mailto: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.**