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



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Second Sunday
Year A 15th/16th April 2023

MASS TIME CHANGES

No weekday Masses from Monday 17 April to Tuesday 25 April.

Weekday Mass will resume on Wednesday 26 April.

Readings for this weekend

Acts 2:42-47 The faithful lived together and owned everything in common.
1Peter 1:3-9 He has given us a new birth as his children, by raising Jesus from the dead
John 20:19-31 After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them

Gospel Teaching

In the scriptural accounts of the risen Lord appearing to his disciples, the disciples do not at first recognise him. It is only when he calls them by their name, as with Mary Magdalene, or breaks the bread, as with his disciples on the road to Emmaus, that the penny drops and they realise who is speaking to them. Most commonly he appears among them and offers them his peace, using words that would become part of every Mass: "Peace be with you." In today's Gospel, Jesus repeats these words, as though he needs to hammer home the foundation of our belief. If we do not receive his peace and share it among us, we cannot even begin our Christian journey.

With that peace alive within us, we are sent out to forgive and retain sins, for Jesus also gives us the gift of the Holy Spirit. This is John's version of the Pentecost story. If in Luke's account, in the Acts of the Apostles, the disciples then go out and speak in tongues in a way that everyone listening to them understands, in John's account the emphasis is on forgiveness and reconciliation. How do we heal and restore what is broken and lost? The story of Thomas' doubt helps us with this. Thomas is absent from the first resurrection appearance of Jesus among his disciples, and demands evidence if he is to cast off his doubt. Jesus himself provides that evidence, while noting that such visual proof is not going to be available to many. The Gospel stories are precisely what is offered to stimulate our belief and so have life through his name.

Entrance antiphon: Like newborn children you should thirst for milk, on which your spirit can grow to strength, alleluia.

Response to the psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting. **Or:** Alleluia.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

WISH TO DONATE ONLINE

We are pleased to offer the option for Parishioners or visitors to donate online through our website. Scan this QR code to donate. Please call the parish office with any questions.

Tel: 9315 7562



Readers

Saturday Vigil 5pm April	Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator) Radmilla Lewis and John Betros
Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Peter Frost and Linda Rath
Sunday 9.30am	Adele and Gian Cornale
Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Margaret & John Betros

Money Counters

April 16th : Group 3	April 23rd : Group 4
April 30th : Group 1	May 7th : Group 2

Ministers of Communion

Saturday Vigil 5pm April	Sr Gabriel (Coordinator), Michael Zador Sr Jan O'Neill
Sunday 7.00 am April	Peter Frost (Coordinator), Gary Keating
Sunday 9.30 am April	Adele Cornale (Coordinator),
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

Confirmation

Sacrament of Confirmation
Wednesday 28 June 2023 -
enrolments open 24 April

Morning Tea

Thank you to the Social Justice
Group for hosting morning tea.



Mass Intentions — your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased Jonathan North, Phillip Morrissey, John Walsh (Ireland)

Anniversaries Harry Head, Phillip Renfree, Joanne (Kelly) Hetherington, Tamoy Coyoo, Exequiel Coyoo, Jessie and Thomas McGinn, Barbara Joy McCormack, Cecil Byrne, Maureen O'Connor

Deceased The Lynch family, Roy & Ella McDonald, James Kelleher, Muriel and Bill Knight, Toni Barry, Bill Jack, Jack & Alma Saidey, Carmel & Jack Olde.

Sick Anne Eves and Sharyn Eves, Maroun Ghorra, Fr Phil (undergoing treatment)
Geoff Wall, 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	Thursday at 10am and Sundays after the 9.30am 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. In case of emergency Fr Thoi 0403 140 510

St Brigid's This Week and Beyond

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your generosity over the Easter weekend.

On Monday there is a requiem Mass for Jonathan North at 11am.

The MSC Australia Provincial Chapter will be held from Monday 17th April to Tuesday 25th April. We keep all our MSC Australian Province in our prayers.

Brigidine Randwick Ex-Students Association 100 Year Reunion

Did you attend Brigidine College at Randwick? Please join us for high tea, a tour of your old school and a catch up with old friends.

Sunday, 7 May, 2023, from 1.30pm to 4pm - Synan Hall near the main quadrangle

Bookings and enquiries: Mary-Lynne at marylynne_ted@yahoo.com or Dianne at diannemullin@bigpond.com (or by phone 0499 325 823)

There is no Mass here on Anzac Day, but Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Randwick will be having Mass at 12pm.

Baptisms

This weekend we welcome the following children into our parish:

Christopher and Amelie Pieterse, Arlo Morrison, Daniel Findlay, Mabel, Audrey and Edith Overton. May God Bless these children and their families.

RCIA

The parish is offering a programme commencing in May to run for twelve weeks, for those considering becoming Catholics. It is also open to anyone simply interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith. For example, you may know someone who is married or in a relationship with a Catholic and who would like to know and understand more about what being a Catholic means. If you know of anyone who would like to participate, please invite them, the programme is open to everyone. Date: May 2nd Time: 7pm to 8.30pm every Tuesday Duration: 12 weeks For further information, please contact the Parish Office 93157562, or Therese (0425375280) or Paul (0425375279) who will be convening the programmer

Tuesday 9th May - Volunteer at Thread Together - Banksmeadow

We would like to invite members of our Parish and School Community to a morning volunteering at Thread Together.

9am - 12.30pm.

www.threadtogether.org

This is a great community opportunity and if you would like to join us please call the parish office.

Short term Rentals

Coogee - One bedroom unit available to rent 26 April - 29 May. Great views. Close to shops, 150m to beach. Fully furnished, lockup car space, suit a couple.
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Coogee (Brook Street) Two bedroom fully furnished 4 April - 17 May
Call Les 0401 151 714

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

- **Confirmation** - online registration 24th Apr - 14th May. Parent info session and commitment mass Sat 20th May at 4pm and Confirmation Mass Wed 28th June.
- **First Eucharist** - online registration 17th July - 1st Aug. Parent info session and commitment mass Sat 5th Aug at 4pm. First Eucharist Mass Sun 10th Sep 11am or 1pm.

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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.**