



Bridie

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



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Fifth Sunday
Year A 6th/7th May 2023

In a Nutshell

Jesus tells his disciples not to be afraid, to trust in him, to believe in him. Our lives can be so scattered that we forget these consoling words he spoke for us.

Jesus is our Way,
our Truth and our Life.

He will prepare a place for us
so that we will be with him for
ever. May we be ready to
meet him when the time
comes.

Readings for this weekend

Acts 6:1-7
1Peter 2:4-9
John 14:1-12

They elected seven men filled with the Spirit and wisdom
You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood
I am the way, the truth, and the life

Gospel Teaching

Our world is troubled by many things and so are our hearts. Life does not present us with constant joy. Jesus' words at the beginning of today's Gospel offer us comfort. He says, "Do not let your hearts be troubled." Jesus himself knew what it felt like to be troubled. He knew disillusion and despair. Prior to Jesus' betrayal, and again in the garden of Gethsemane, Jesus uses the word "troubled" to describe how he feels. At these times Jesus is troubled deeply, or as he himself says, his "soul is troubled". Even Jesus, the cornerstone of our faith, had to call on the Father in his moments of doubt and struggle. Jesus had to live his faith with the weight of the world bearing down on him, as we ourselves do. Honesty in our relationship with Christ and his Father are vital to keeping the foundation of our lives and our faith secure amid the earthquakes of life. If we seek to follow Christ faithfully, we can be reassured that he understands what life is like for each one of us.

Living Word 2023

Entrance antiphon: Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous deeds; he has revealed to the nations his saving power, alleluia.

Response to the psalm: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you. **Or:** Alleluia.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

WISH TO DONATE ONLINE

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Tel: 9315 7562



Readers

Saturday Vigil 5pm May	Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator) John Betros & Jan O'Neill
Sunday 7.00 am Sunday 9.30am	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Lucy Marshan Katrina Jukic
Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Margaret & John Betros

Money Counters

May 7th : Group 2	May 14th: Group 3
May 21st: Group 4	May 28th: Group 1

Ministers of Communion

Saturday Vigil 5pm May	Sr Gabriel (Coordinator), Michael Zador Sr Jan O'Neill
Sunday 7.00 am May	Peter Frost (Coordinator), Gary Keating
Sunday 9.30 am May	Adele Cornale (Coordinator), Phil Docherty
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 are open.

Morning Tea

Thank you to Chantal
Frappier for hosting this
Sunday.



Mass Intentions — your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased	Noreene Alexander, Robert Perry, Phillip Renfree, Joanne(Kelly) Hetherington,
Anniversaries	Sergio Ovelar, Michael O'Sullivan, Diane Gordon, Sr Patricia Byron, Jessie and Thomas McGinn, Barbara Joy McCormack, Cecil Byrne, Maureen O'Connor
Deceased	Ned Ferguson, Robert Perry
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,

This weekend is the Charitable Works Fund (CWF). It is a centralised fund that supports the charitable and pastoral activities of the Archdiocese of Sydney. It is your charity, the charity of the Sydney Catholic community and your local parish. We, CWF funds six agencies. Thank you for your generosity and thank you to our guest speaker Isabella Conde at the following masses this weekend; Saturday 5pm vigil, Sunday 7.00am and 9.30am..

- **Aboriginal Catholic Ministry** – promoting reconciliation and mutual understanding and providing pastoral care for Catholic Aboriginals and supporting them in the living of their Faith.
- **CatholicCare** – Formerly known as Centacare, delivers over 100 programs in Ageing, Disability, Children & Youth, Employment Training & Support, and Family Services.
- **Chaplaincies** – Our chaplaincy services in hospital, prisons and universities provide much needed support to the lonely, sick, hurt and suffering in the community.
- **Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)** – provides religious education and Christian formation for Catholic children in public schools.
- **Ephpheta Centre** – provides services to the deaf and hearing impaired including sacramental, counselling, support and advocacy services.
- **Seminary of the Good Shepherd** – supporting the education and training of future Priests for the Archdiocese.

Fr Thoi

Sacrament of Confirmation

Enrolments for preparation program for the Sacrament of Confirmation is now open.

Online form can be found on our website. Please scan the QR code



Novena through Eileen O'Connor for Jeremy Nysen

As Lead for the Music Ministry at St Brigid's for over 20 years, Jeremy Nysen has made an outstanding contribution to the Parish. He contracted a very rare and hereditary neurodegenerative brain disorder called GSS several years ago.

We have organised a Novena through Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor in Dudley St to be prayed for Jeremy's healing through the intercession of Australia's next Saint-in-waiting, Servant of God Eileen O'Connor, who co-founded the Order in 1913.

The Novena will commence on Monday 8th May and finish on Tuesday 16th May. The Novena is prayed each day for 9 consecutive days, whenever is convenient for you.

Copies are available in the Church Foyer.

First Communion 2023

Online registration 17th July - 1st August. Info session and commitment mass Sat 5th August at 4pm.

First Eucharist Mass Sun 10th September 11am or 1pm.

A very warm welcome to anyone visiting our parish. It is good to have you with us. If you have any questions or would like to know more about our community at St Brigid's please visit our website

www.stbrigidscoogee.org.au We will always welcome volunteers so please contact the office if you would like to assist in any way 9315 7562.

PLEASE JOIN US

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION MASS
TO HONOR 50 YEARS
OF ORDINATION AND 8 YEARS OF
MINISTRY AT ST BRIGID'S

FR PHILLIP HICKS MSC

Sunday 21 May | 9.30am
Celebration Mass followed by
refreshments in the parish hall

RSVP to the parish office for catering
9315 7562



Donate to the Charitable Works Fund May 2023 Appeal

6th & 7th May 2023 is our parish appeal.

Help keep alive vital ministries of the Church in service to those who need it most. In hospitals, churches, schools, communities and families, your donation is making our world a loving, caring and compassionate place.

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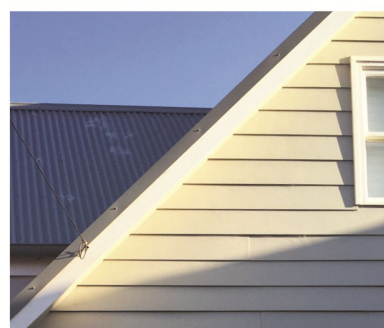
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A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

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.

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.**