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



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The Ascension of the Lord Year A 20th/21st May 2023

IN A NUTSHELL

After his resurrection, Jesus appeared at unexpected moments. He encouraged the disciples, assured them that he was really alive, and then disappeared again.

They were still looking for an earthly kingdom, so Jesus tells them to wait and pray.

The Holy Spirit will come and give them courage to proclaim all that Jesus has taught them.

Through his Holy Spirit Jesus will be with them always.

Readings for this weekend

Acts 1:1-11 Why are you standing here looking at the sky?
Ephesians 1:17-23 He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven
Matthew 28:16-20 All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

REFLECTION

How do I feel today as I settle to my prayer? I ask the Lord to be with me and to help me pray. Conscious of his love for me, I receive this Gospel knowing he is speaking to me.

I read the text with reverence and allow it to be real for me. Perhaps I can imagine myself present in the scene as one of the disciples climbing the mountain. How do I wait for Jesus? With eagerness, doubt, fear, apprehension, joy ...?

As Jesus appears, do I fall in adoration before him, or do I hesitate? Without judgement, I consider my response. What does it lead me to say to Jesus? I consider my companions. How is the group altered as we gather around Jesus? Can I relate this to my life? Where or how do I especially meet him with others? Does this gospel change my attitude to them?

I listen deeply to his words. Perhaps I am saddened and unnerved that Jesus is leaving us? Or am I exhilarated by the commands he is giving us, to make disciples, baptise and teach? Have I experienced something of his promise to be with us until the end of time? I speak to the Lord from my heart at length. I finish my prayer with gratitude, asking the Lord to be always with his Church.

Courtesy St Beuno's Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham, UK

Entrance antiphon: Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking in the sky? The Lord will return, just as you have seen him ascend, alleluia.

Response to the psalm: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

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Tel: 9315 7562



Readers

Saturday Vigil 5pm Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator)
May John Betros & Jan O'Neill
Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)
Charlie Robinson, Gerry Walker
Sunday 9.30am Fr Phil's Mass
Sunday 6pm Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Margaret & John Betros

Money Counters

May 21st: Group 4 **May 28th:** Group 1
June 4th : Group 2 **June 11th:** Group 3

Ministers of Communion

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

Refreshments will be
available in the hall for Fr
Phil's Thanksgiving Mass



Mass Intentions — your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased Lillias Roche(sister of Bishop David Walker), Noreene Alexander, Eddie Walsh(Ireland)

Deceased Rod Hillier, Dibos Senior, Jack & Carmel Saidey Olde, Jack & Alma Saidey, Ned Ferguson, Robert Perry

Sick Greg Biddle, Anne Eves and Sharyn Eves, Maroun Ghorra, 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, *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. In case of emergency Fr Thoi 0403 140 510

St Brigid's This Week and Beyond

Dear Parishioners,

Welcome to the families attending the Confirmation Commitment Mass. There are 44 students making their confirmation with Bishop Umbers on Wednesday 28th June and we look forward to getting to know you during your sacramental journey.

Welcome to Fr Phi's family, Willoughby friends and our Parishioners. You are very welcome to our Thanksgiving Jubilee Mass for Fr Phil. We also invite you all for morning tea after 9.30am mass in the Parish hall.

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



Thank you to the members of our school and parish community who joined us on a morning volunteering at Thread Together. This was an enlightening morning that we all really enjoyed.



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.

Sunday 11 June - 2023 Walk with Christ

Bishop Richard Umbers would like to invite you to unite in celebration of the feast of Corpus Christi by attending the 2023 Walk with Christ Eucharistic procession throughout the streets of Sydney. The walk will commence at 2.30pm from the corner of Pitt Street and Martin Place. It will be preceded by a Festival in Martin Place commencing at 1.00pm.

They're back!



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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.**