



Bridie

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



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**Twenty Eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time Year A
14th/15th October 2023**

IN A NUTSHELL

God is very lavish in his preparations for his son's wedding feast. All is ready, yet the invited guests refuse to come. God has prepared his people for many centuries, and yet they will not accept his son, Jesus.

All and sundry, including us, are now invited to be part of the Kingdom.

Are we ready to accept his invitation? Do unnecessary things blur our spiritual vision?

Readings for this weekend

Isaiah 25:6-10

The Lord will prepare a feast and will wipe away tears from every cheek.

Philips 4:12-14. 19-20

I am able to do all things in him who strengthens

Matthew 22:1-14

Whomsoever you find, invite them to the wedding

REFLECTION

Today I come to spend some 'quality time' with the Lord. Perhaps I need to clear my mind of any problems and concerns first. I may have my own way of doing that, or I may simply take a couple of deep breaths, and perhaps repeat a favourite phrase like 'Come, Lord Jesus, come!'

Only then do I read St Paul's words, slowly and prayerfully. They may be familiar, but I try to ponder their meaning as if for the first time. What are these words telling me? How do they apply to my own life? Paul seems to have achieved a measure of contentment and serenity in all circumstances with the help of the One who gives him strength. I ponder this. How do I feel before Paul's equanimity? Perhaps envious, sceptical, galvanised to try to do the same, or . . . ?

I turn to the Lord, and, in my own words, tell him what is in my heart, trusting that he knows and understands me fully. Perhaps I also focus on the gratitude Paul feels towards the Philippians and the absolute faith in God this shows. There may have been times in my life where I could have been more grateful after someone helped me. What held me back? I stay with this as long as I need. There is no need to rush.

Trusting in the Lord's presence with me, I speak with him as I would to a dear friend. Eventually I say goodbye, hopefully able to thank God for the insights and the strength he has given me today.

Entrance antiphon: If you, O Lord, laid bare our guilt, who could endure it? But you are forgiving. God of Israel.

Response to the psalm: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. 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 October	Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator) John Betros and Jan O'Neil
Sunday 7.00 am Sunday 9.30am	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Mark Woolford Terese Compton
Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Margaret & John Betros

Money Counters

October 15th : Group 1	October 22nd : Group 2
October 29th : Group 3	November 5th : Group 4

Ministers of Communion

Saturday Vigil 5pm October	Sr Gabriel (Coordinator),
Sunday 7.00 am October	Peter Frost (Coordinator),
Sunday 9.30 am October	Adele Cornale (Coordinator), Phil Docherty
Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Sacristy & Altar

Carol Miller & Paula O'Connor

Altar Flowers

Carol Miller & Margaret Betros

Piety Stall

(5pm Vigil Mass) Carol Miller

Coffee Club - 10am in the parish hall

November - Friday 3rd & December - Friday 1st

Monday 16th October - PPC meeting in the Parish office at 5.30pm

Monday 23rd October- Liturgy Committee meeting in the parish office at 5.00pm.

Morning Tea

Thank you to Margaret Anne Otton and family for hosting Sunday Morning tea.



Mass Intentions — your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased	Paula Hudson, Anne Eves, Niamh Berkery, Brian Ryan, Joan Telford, Werner Benedikovics
Deceased	Brenda Dore, Bill Jack, Jack & Carmel Saidey Olde, Jack & Alma Saidey, Earle Bailey, Patrocinio Bayot,
Anniversary	Mollie McCabe, Elizabeth Khoury, Michael Rule, Viola Corbett
Sick	Sr Margaret Mary Birgan OLN, Helen Mannix, Esteban Ovelar, Jule Winter, Chaiel Balcombe, Sam Khoury, Adelina Murray, Greg Biddle and Sharyn Eves, Maroun Ghorra, Catherine Sharpley

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,

We were sorry to hear about our much loved parishioner Paula Hudson, who passed away last week. We send our condolences to Paula's family and friends. Her funeral service will be held at St Brigid's Coogee next Wednesday at 11.30am.

Advent Reflection Booklet - Please collect the book 'The Sign' from the church foyer. This is a collection of reflections for the advent season.

Baptisms this week - We welcome Xavier Baumgartner son of Andrew and Renee and Felix Chua, son of Lucy and Darryl, God Bless these children and their families.

Christmas Choir: Christmas is approaching and we'd love to welcome you to join us for our Christmas Choir. No experience required! Please contact Benoit +61 420 558 963 or Josephine +61 403590480



Dear Parishioners, There have been reports of SMS message scams targeting individuals and parishes in the Archdiocese.

These scams impersonate the members of our parish, including myself, asking for urgent help and often requesting gift card purchases for those in need. Rest assured that neither I nor any member of our parish staff would ever ask for such assistance through SMS or any other unsolicited means. If you receive suspicious messages, contact us directly via phone or in person.

Floral Memorial Donation

If you would like to reserve a date for Altar flowers, please contact the Parish Office. Altar flower arrangements can be in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a special occasion; birthdays, anniversaries, baptisms, marriages, etc.

The suggested donation for flower memorials is \$100.

MORNING TEA ROSTER

Sunday 15 October	Margaret Anne Otton
Sunday 22 October	Sharron & Di
Sunday 29 October	Chantal Frappier
Sunday 5 November	Adele & Gian
Sunday 12 November	Therese & Paul

A new RCIA course is commencing in the Parish, starting Tuesday, November 28th 7pm. The course is an introduction to the Catholic Faith and runs for 12 weeks, one hour per week.

Dates: 28th November to 19th December and will commence after the Christmas holiday season. 30th January to 19th March, culminating with baptism at Easter if desired.

Everyone is welcome to attend. If you know anyone who is interested in finding out about the Catholic Faith, please invite them. The atmosphere is relaxed and informal.

Please contact the parish office for further information.

Therese and Paul Compton

HSC Students 2023 Please take a prayer card for those students doing the HSC from the basket in the church foyer and also please add the name of any student, you would like Parishioners to pray for before and during their HSC Exams, on the list in the church foyer.

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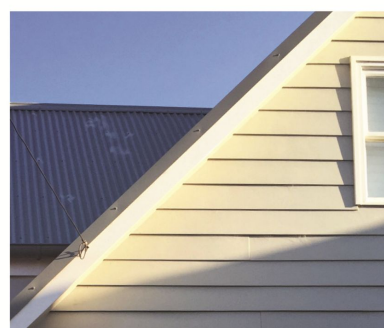
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A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

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.**