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



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**Thirty Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time Year A
11th/12th November 2023**

IN A NUTSHELL

The parable of the wise and foolish virgins shows that to enter the kingdom of heaven, we must each do our part.

No one can make our response for us. Each of us must be found watching and waiting for his coming.

We must have our lamps filled and alight, meaning that our lives must show our persevering efforts to be faithful to what God asks.

Readings for this weekend

Wisdom 6:12-16
1Thess 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

God's wisdom is not distant, but reveals herself to those who are alert to her presence.
Paul offers a word of consolation and hope
The wise are those who prepare for the day of the Lord's coming

REFLECTION

I begin my prayer by recalling words from this week's Psalm: In the shadow of your wings I rejoice, my soul clings to you, Your right hand holds me fast.

I remind myself that I am forever safely held in the sheltering shadow of the Lord's wings. In the safety and sanctuary of his presence, I invite my body and my mind to become still.

In quietness, I rest within the loving gaze of the Lord. When I am ready to pray, I slowly read this short passage of scripture. What am I stirred to notice here?

This letter to the Christian community of Thessalonica was written with a confident belief in the reality of resurrection. It addresses directly the concerns of those who grieve. If I have ever experienced loss or grief, in what ways was I consoled? By my beliefs, my family, my friends, my faith community . . . ?

What of my own concerns about death? Am I confident in the promise of resurrection?

Still at rest within the sheltering presence of the Lord, I share with him all of my ponderings about the cycle of life and death, and life again . . . In silence and stillness, I listen with longing within his loving presence. When I am ready to bring my prayer to a close, I express my own words of gratitude, and finish by making a slow sign of the cross.

Entrance antiphon: Let my prayer come before you, Lord; listen, and answer me.

Response to the psalm: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. 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 November	Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator) Chelsea Albert John Betros
Sunday 7.00 am Sunday 9.30am	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Adele and Gian Cornale
Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Margaret & John Betros

Money Counters

November 5th	Group 4	November 12th	: Group 1
November 19th	Group 2	November 26th	: Group 3

Ministers of Communion

Saturday Vigil 5pm November	Sr Gabriel (Coordinator), Michael Zador
Sunday 7.00 am November	Peter Frost (Coordinator), Peter Frost
Sunday 9.30 am November	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

Baptism - we welcome Remy Frank Burgess son of Scott and Vignia. Congratulations and welcome to the parish, God bless you and your family.

Morning Tea

Thank you to Therese and Paul for hosting morning tea.



Mass Intentions — your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased	Evelyn Saunders, Damien Avenell, Valma Toms, Paula Hudson.
Deceased	Deceased members of class of 1963 Brigidine College, Brenda Dore.
Anniversary	Eufemia Benussi
Sick	John Miller, 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,

Social Justice Meeting – Tuesday 14 November – Meeting in the Blue Room at 10am – all welcome

Saturday 2 December – All parishioners who are interested in Social Justice are welcome to an evening for Timor Leste at Randwick North Parish Community Room after 5pm Mass, entry by donation.

Safeguarding: To comply with the Archdiocese safeguarding policy we require a copy of ID eg. Drivers licence, medicare card for all our parish volunteers – please email a copy to Sharon – pssocoogee@yahoo.com or drop in to the parish office.

Christmas Choir: Christmas is approaching and we would love to welcome you to join us for our Christmas Choir. Rehearsals will commence from Monday 30th October, 7pm–9pm. No experience required! Please contact Benoit 0420558963 or Josephine 0403590480

Sunday 19th November – Thank you morning tea for our volunteers after 9.30am Mass.

Fr Thoi



SAVE THE DATE

SYO Advent Carols and Readings

An exceptional choral and orchestral celebration of Christmas featuring musicians of the Sydney Youth Orchestra and singers of Australian opera.

Sunday, December 10, 2023

St Brigid's Church,
135 Brook St, Coogee

BOOKINGS OPEN SOON



This month's flowers are donated in memory of Lynne Sweeney

Thank You



**MCR/BCR
Gingerbread
House Decorating
Monday 4th of Dec
\$40 per kit**

(includes gingerbread parts + royal-icing mix, baseboard, piping bag and instructions). GF option available

BYO: Lollies etc. to decorate and nibbles and drinks to enjoy

**From 6pm in the Marist Centre
– Marcellin College**

RSVP by 18 Nov
<https://www.trybooking.com/CMSHZ>



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 2023

Sunday 19 November	Volunteers Morning Tea
Sunday 26 November	Rodney & Adrianna
Sunday 3 December	Kindy Picnic (Sharron & Di) no morning tea

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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.**