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



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**Thirty Third Sunday in  
Ordinary Time Year A  
18th/19th November 2023**

## IN A NUTSHELL

On hearing the parable of the 'Talents' we can jump to the conclusion that the master was unjust in his dealings with the servants.

We have all been given gifts. If we use them for God's glory and do the best we can, we will fulfil God's desire for us.

If we don't use our gifts, we are not being true to ourselves, and we will feel unfulfilled.

## Readings for this weekend

*Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31*  
*1Thess 5:1-6*  
*Matt 25:14-30*

Give her a share in what she has worked for.  
The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night.  
Because you have been faithful over a few things...

## REFLECTION

As I settle in the place where I will pray today, I spend time becoming still in whatever way works best for me. To begin, I may like to focus on my breathing. Without changing it, I ask the Holy Spirit to help me put aside any worries or anxieties for this time of prayer. When I feel ready, I read through the passage slowly, perhaps imagining St Paul writing personally to me. I read his words and let them sink in. Perhaps there's a word or a phrase that particularly resonates? I stay with it, and ponder its significance, asking the Lord to help me see and hear more clearly. Returning to the text, I notice what comes to mind when I consider the 'times and seasons' in which we're now living.

In what ways does my faith in the promises of the Lord influence my response to what I see around me? I ponder. Perhaps I recall particular times in the past when I felt that I was 'living in the dark'. Who or what helped me find my way back to the light? I talk to the Lord about what that felt like.

Paul reminds me that I am 'a child of light, a child of the day'. What does that mean to me? How might others see that light through the way I live my life? Before concluding my prayer, I may want to bring before the Lord someone for whom 'the worst' has happened. In my own words, I ask that the Lord be close to them in their time of darkness.

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

**Entrance antiphon:** The Lord says: my plans for you are peace and not disaster; when you call to me, I will listen to you, and I will bring you back to the place from which I exiled you.

**Response to the psalm:** Happy are those who fear the Lord.

**Gospel acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me, and let me live in you, says the Lord. 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.

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### Readers

<b>Saturday Vigil 5pm November</b>	Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator) Chelsea Albert John Betros
<b>Sunday 7.00 am</b>	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Charlie Robinson Gerry Walker
<b>Sunday 9.30am</b>	Sharron Critchley Di Karas
<b>Sunday 6pm</b>	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

### Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Margaret & John Betros

### Money Counters

<b>November 19th</b> Group 2	<b>November 26th</b> : Group 3
<b>December 3rd:</b> Group 1	<b>December:</b> Group 4

### Ministers of Communion

<b>Saturday Vigil 5pm November</b>	Sr Gabriel (Coordinator), Michael Zador
<b>Sunday 7.00 am November</b>	Peter Frost (Coordinator), Gary Keating
<b>Sunday 9.30 am November</b>	Adele Cornale (Coordinator), Phil Docherty
<b>Sunday 6pm</b>	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

### Sacristy & Altar

Carol Miller & Paula O'Connor

### Altar Flowers

Carol Miller & Margaret Betros

### Piety Stall

(5pm Vigil Mass) Carol Miller

**URGENT** Reader needed for 7am Mass – Monthly roster rotation – please contact the parish office.

**Friday 1 December** – Coffee Club all welcome 10am

**Thursday 7 December** – Yarn Club in the Blue Room at 7pm.

### Morning Tea

We hope you morning tea today provided by the parish – we appreciate all that you do.



### Mass Intentions — your prayers are requested for the following:

<b>Recently Deceased</b>	Sr Margaret Mary Birgan OLN, Evelyn Saunders, Damien Avenell, Valma Toms, Paula Hudson.
<b>Deceased</b>	Deceased members of class of 1963 Brigidine College.
<b>Anniversary</b>	Eufemia Benussi
<b>Sick</b>	John Miller, 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

<b>Mass Times</b>	Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm, Sunday 7.00 am, 9.30am and 6pm
<b>Morning Tea</b>	Thursday at 10am and Sundays after the 9.30am Family Mass.
<b>Weekday Masses</b>	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday – 9.30 am
<b>Reconciliation</b>	20 Minutes before Saturday Vigil Mass
<b>Sacrament of Anointing</b>	During 9.30am Mass, First Friday of every month.
<b>Baptisms</b>	By appointment, on the first and third Sundays of each month, <i>after</i> 9.30am Family Mass.
<b>Marriages</b>	Saturdays, by appointment, arranged at least six months in advance
<b>Parish Office:</b>	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,

**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 Parish Audit:** Our parish has been selected along with 32 other parishes to be audited by the ACSL (Australian Catholic Safeguarding LTD). They will be checking that we are implementing and meeting the standards and requirements of the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (NCSS). All safeguarding resources and information is available via the safeguarding link on our website to the Archdiocese safeguarding section of their website.



**Thank you** for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Parish Appeal. On behalf of Catholic Mission, I would be grateful if you could please thank all your parishioners who contributed to the appeal. Their generosity and prayers are supporting life changing mission programs like the Maria Auxiliadora Clinic in Venilale, Timor-Leste, where they are addressing critical health issues such as tuberculosis, malnutrition, and maternal mortality. Total - \$909.40 - Danielle Carson



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memory of  
Lynne Sweeney*

*Thank You*



### 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

**REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** During November we remember those who have died throughout the year. Take time to write down the names of your deceased relatives and friends.

The names of all those included will be remembered in our daily Mass

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



## 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>



## Baptism

We welcome Esme Diane Rose Potter daughter of David and Isabelle. Fleur Doris Hili daughter of Vince and Ursula. God bless you both and your families.



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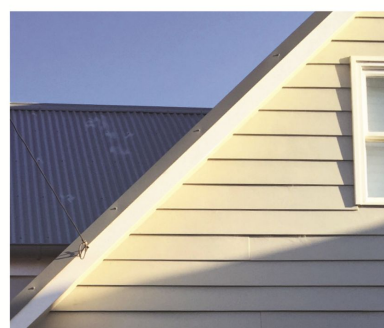
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## A message from the Archdiocese of Sydney

**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](mailto: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.**