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



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First Sunday of Lent Year B 17th/18th February 2024

In a nutshell

God of all peoples and nations, As you accompany us on our Lenten journey,

May our fasting strengthen our commitment to live in solidarity, Our almsgiving be an act of justice, and Our prayers anchor us in love and compassion.

Through living simply and loving generously, May we care for our global family and our common home, as we Aspire not to have more, but to be more".

We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.

St Oscar Romero

Readings for this weekend

Genesis 9:8-15 God gives us the rainbow as a sign of God's everlasting covenant with humankind.
1 Peter 3:18-22 The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which saves you now.
Mark 1:12-15 Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him

Reflection - We began our Lenten journey on Ash Wednesday. This first Sunday of Lent now leads us immediately into Jesus's own journey into the desert in prayer, fasting, and to face temptation. The First Reading reminds us of the journey of God's chosen people. Here God establishes his Covenant with Noah and all his descendants, and with the whole of creation. Never again will God destroy the earth with a flood. He leaves a bow in the sky to confirm this.

St Peter (Second Reading) links the few people Noah saved 'by water' to ourselves. We are saved through the baptism that Christ won for us by his death and resurrection. The Gospel gives a short account of Jesus being tempted in the desert. He emerges ready to proclaim his message: 'The kingdom of God is close at hand'. The Psalm reflects the message of hope that is contained in all the readings. The Lord's ways are faithfulness and love.

May we take heart from the scriptures as we begin our Lenten journey, ready to follow the Lord's ways, and eager to learn his paths.

Entrance antiphon: When he calls to me, I will answer; I will rescue him and give him honour. Long life and contentment will be his.

Response to the psalm: Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

Gospel acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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Tel: 9315 7562



Readers

Saturday Vigil 5pm February	Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator) John Betros & Radmila Lewis
Sunday 7.00 am	Peter Frost (Coordinator) Charlie Robinson & Gerry Walker
Sunday 9.30am	Mark Woolford & Therese Compton
Sunday 6pm	Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Margaret & John Betros

Money Counters

February 18th : Group 2	February 25th Group 1
March 3rd : Group 3	March 10th Group 4

Ministers of Communion

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

MORNING TEA ROSTER 2024

Sunday 18 February	Joanne & Liam
Sunday 25 February	Rodney & Arianna
Sunday 3 March	Sharon & DI

MORNING TEA

Please join us for morning tea after 9.30am Mass. Thank you to Joanne and Liam for hosting .



Mass Intentions — your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased Andrea Fozzard, Cecily Hallinan, Fr Vincent McHenry, Oliver McAfee.

Deceased Roy & Ella McDonald.

Anniversary **Mary Shanahan (Co, Cork Ireland), Monica McLaughlin, Kim Eves, Madam Genevieve Gilbert, Monsieur-Jean-Paul Desmond & Alice Ryan.**

Sick Natasha Novka, John Miller, Helen Mannix, Esteban Ovelar, 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	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,

Congratulations to Fr Kenji Konda MSC who was recently ordained at OLSH Randwick last weekend. We wish him well in his ministry and are confident that he will be a wonderful priest. God Bless you Fr Kenji.

Baptisms this weekend - This weekend we welcome Aleeia Anasta daughter of Braith and Jodi and Indi Beressan daughter of Daniele and Katrarzyna, God Bless these children and their families.

Parish Safeguarding Audit

Our parish had it's audit review on Tuesday, by The Australian Catholic Safeguarding Ltd. They will forward their final report over the next month.

MSC Provincial Office Coogee - Vacancy for a Full Time Administration Assistant. We are looking for an Administration Assistant to support the work of the Province Secretary in administrative tasks. Wage rate: \$33 to \$38 based on experience. To obtain a copy of the Position Description or inquire about the job, please email: msecsecretary@misacor.org.au

Fr Thoi and the parish team

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

To register for this free event:



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International Women's Day Breakfast "Four Generations of Inspiration"

-Today shapes Tomorrow-

Our panel of local trailblazers are sharing their wisdom on Courage, Resilience, Determination & Mindset

Friday, 8th March 2024

St Brigid's Parish Hall, 135 Brook Street, Coogee
8.30 am for 9.15 am Panel Discussion



Anne Ring
"Engaging with Ageing"
What matters as we grow older



Renuka Fernando
Co-Founder ReLove
Creating homes with kindness



Heather Hawkins
Real Adventurer,
Ultra Runner &
True Survivor



Camille Goldstene-Henry
CEO & Co-Founder Xylo Systems
Tech Entrepreneur & Scientist
Wildlife Conversation

PROJECT COMPASSION PRAYER 2024

God of all hope,
we pray for our world with all its beauty and need.
We thank you for the love in our lives that is
a mirror of your unending love.

May all creation know your compassion this Lent
and may we take courage to share it, especially with
those who don't have what they need.

In our time, we hear the same words you spoke to Moses:
'I will be with you,' when you ask us to do courageous things.

Through our prayer, fasting and almsgiving,
move us to act in the company of your Spirit,
showing compassion and acting for justice
to renew the face of the Earth,
now and for all future generations.

We ask this in the name of Christ.
Amen.

First Reconciliation Program Registration is open now, check our website for the link

Low Gluten Hosts If you can please advise the priest who is presiding Mass if you need a special low gluten host for communion.

Catechist needed to share our Catholic Faith in Coogee Public School.

Please contact Inez or Parish Office for further details.



Coffee club in the parish hall 10am -12pm. All welcome
Friday 1 March
Friday 5 April

Yarn club in the blue room 7.30pm
Thursday 11 April

Monday 19th February Liturgy group meeting at 5.00pm in the Parish Office.

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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 email psscocoogee@yahoo.com.au**