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



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9 / 10 March 2024
Fourth Sunday in Lent (B)

An Urgent Prayer for Peace

God of compassion, we turn to you with heavy hearts as we consider the needs of your family. Israelis and Palestinians, we are all your people, each of us loved by you and called to live in peace and justice.

We lament the dreadful loss of life, destruction of property and loss of human dignity. We are pained by so much suffering.

We beg you to bring healing to his ancient place. Help your people find a way forward.

We ask that courage and grace will help create a wiser and more gentle future, where everyone has a home. God of wisdom, come to our aid

Caritas Australia

Readings for this weekend

2 Chron 36:14-16 19-23 The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of his people
Ephesians 2:4-10 When we were dead through sins, he brought us to life.
John 3:14-21 God sent his Son into the world that we might be saved through him.

Reflection

As we remember and rejoice in the mercies of God this Laetare Sunday, the readings, give us beautiful images of new creations. King Cyrus is ordered to build up the temple again, Paul speaks to the Ephesians of being raised up, brought to new life in Christ Jesus, and Jesus tells Nicodemus that the Son of Man must be lifted up. All the "building up" speaks of the artistic work of our Creator God, the resurrection life we move towards each Lent. Just as a temple can be rebuilt, so too can the temple of our bodies be renewed.

A work of art might be a painting, a sculpture, or a piece of music. Yet the most beautiful work of art is undoubtedly the life of each one of us in right relationship with all of creation. A life that is created in Christ Jesus, knowing God and loving God is a life eager to be lived in the light of truth. When we live this kind of life, our only son is a hymn of praise - we believe, we love, we give thanks for the place we have in the eternal life of God.

Entrance antiphon: Rejoice, Jerusalem! Be glad for her, you who love her; rejoice with her, you who mourned for her, and you will find contentment at her consoling breasts.

Response to the psalm: Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

Gospel acclamation: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

WISH TO DONATE ONLINE

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Tel: 9315 7562



Readers

Saturday Vigil 5pm March Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator)
Sr Jan O'Neill & Radmila Lewis

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)
Charlie Robinson & Gerry Walker

Sunday 9.30am Gian Cornale Anna & Claudia

Sunday 6pm Paula O'Connor (Coordinator)

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Margaret & John Betros

Money Counters

March 10th Group 4 **March 17th:** Group 2
March 24th Group 1 **March 31st:** Group 3

Ministers of Communion

Saturday Vigil 5pm March Sr Gabriel (Coordinator),
Michael Zador

Sunday 7.00 am March Peter Frost (Coordinator),
George Anas

Sunday 9.30 am March 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 10 March Sharron & Di
Sunday 17 March Adele & Gian
Sunday 24 March Chantal Frappier

MORNING TEA

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



Mass Intentions — your prayers are requested for the following:

Recently Deceased Gerald McCabe, Paul Cleary, Helen Carney, Kevin Coorey, Bonnie Holden, Andrea Fozzard, Cecily Hallinan.

Deceased Roy & Ella McDonald.

Anniversary Winifred Doherty (Co Tyrone, Ireland), Peter Miraziz, Maureen O'Connor, Mary Shanahan (Co, Cork Ireland), Monica McLaughlin

Sick Carlie Rohanna, 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, *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,

The Women's International Day breakfast on Friday in the parish hall was hugely successful, this was very well attended with exceptional speakers, thank you to all involved.

Monday 11th March - PPC Meeting in the parish office at 5.30pm

Friday 15th March - St Patrick's Day Mass with St Brigid's Primary school

Margaret Foody/Anthony Foody - If you remember these parishioner we would be grateful if you could contact the parish office.

Coffee club in the parish hall 10am -12pm. All welcome Friday 5 April and **Yarn club** in the blue room 7.30pm Thursday 11 April

Please note our new email.

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Friday 22 March

Self Care Workshop for parents in the parish hall 10am - 12pm Free event

A child's well-being is linked to the emotional health of parents. Prioritising emotional and physical health makes parents more resilient caregivers.

Discover easy self-care for balance, stress reduction, and energy. Self-care is a necessity, not indulgence



Memory is 26 years old and lives in rural Malawi.

As the eldest child in a low-income farming family, Memory had to take on many household chores and farming activities to support her parents. They struggled to pay for Memory's school fees and school supplies, and Memory often had to walk to school barefooted.

With the support of Caritas Australia and its partner the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi (CADECOM), Memory was able to enrol at a technical college where she learnt technical skills in carpentry. She undertook a three-year carpentry course, with CADECOM supporting part of her tuition and boarding fees.

Memory became the first female carpenter from her village.

Today, she works as a carpenter at one of Malawi's largest hydroelectric power stations. With the income from her job, she can provide financial support to her family and inspire other young women in her community so that they may have the opportunity to succeed in a male-dominated industry.

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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 email psscocoogee@yahoo.com.au**