



Bridie

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



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Second Sunday of Easter (B) 6 / 7 April 2024

In a Nutshell

It is still the day of the resurrection, when Jesus appears in the evening.

The disciples are terrified, but Jesus calms them and shows them his hands and his side.

He says to them words which we all wish to hear: 'Peace be with you'. He breathes the Spirit on them.

A week later, Thomas also is convinced and says, with us, 'My Lord and my God'!

Readings for this weekend

Acts 4:32-35 Believers are united. The whole group was united, heart and soul.
1 John 5:1-6 Faith overcomes all. Anyone begotten by God has already overcome the world.
John 20:19-31 "Peace be with you." After eight days, Jesus came in and stood among them.

Reflection...

On this Second Sunday of Easter, the readings invite us to believe and trust God's mercy. According to the ways of the world, mercy does not really make sense, but this is the very faith Paul speaks of as that which 'conquers the world': forgiveness begets forgiveness, mercy begets mercy, love begets love (Second Reading). Our need for, and joy in, such graces is echoed in the Psalm, where we can join with the psalmist in saying: 'Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his mercy endures forever!'

The Acts of the Apostles (First Reading) shows that the mercy of the risen Lord continues to be poured out through the ministry of his apostles, while in the Gospel we see Jesus himself being the model for mercy for his fearful and doubtful friends.

The US journalist Cathleen Falsani wrote: 'justice is getting what you deserve; mercy is not getting what you deserve; grace is getting what you don't deserve.' This coming week, let's pray that, though completely undeserving of such a gift of grace, God's divine mercy will have its effect in us, freeing and opening us to love ever more deeply.

Entrance antiphon: Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

Response to the psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

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Readers

Saturday Vigil 5pm April Sr Jan O'Neill (Coordinator)
Sr Jan O'Neill & Chelsea Albert

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator)
Peter Frost

Sunday 9.30am Lucy Marshan & Adele Cornale

Church Cleaners

Paula O'Connor, Margaret & John Betros

Money Counters

April 7th Group 4 **April 14th:** Group 2
April 21st Group 1 **April 28th:** Group 3

Ministers of Communion

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

Sunday 7.00 am Peter Frost (Coordinator),
Gary Keating

Sunday 9.30 am April 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

Parish Finance Committee - We welcome parishioners from our community that may wish to join our Finance Committee. If you have an accounting background and would like to contribute your time to this committee please contact the parish office.

MORNING TEA

Sunday 7 April Adele & Gian
Sunday 14 April Volunteer Needed
Sunday 21 April Rodney & Adrianna



Mass Intentions — your prayers are requested for the following:

- Recently Deceased** Chris Simpson, Lorcan Branagan, Gerald McCabe, Paul Cleary, Helen Carney, Kevin Coorey, Bonnie Holden, Andrea Fozzard, Cecily Hallinan.
- Deceased** Roy & Ella McDonald.
- Anniversary** John Rinaldy Tan, Peter Miraziz.
- Sick** Fr Terry Bowman msc, 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,

Fr Thoi will be away Monday 8 April – Thursday 11 April. Masses as usual.

Tuesday 9th April 9.30am mass will be a memorial mass for parishioner Christopher Simpson who recently passed away.

If any of our parishioners that are involved in any ministry would like to attend the retreat (details below) the parish will cover the the cost of your lunch, please contact the office.

Thursday 11 April – **Yarn club** in the blue room 7.30pm.

Monday 6 May – Parish Council Meeting in the parish office at 5.30pm.

Thursday 25 April 9.30am Anzac Day Mass. Parish office is closed

If you could kindly return your Project Compassion boxes to the parish office.

We welcome Poppy Fitzgerald daughter of Anna and Matilda Armitage daughter of Scott and Madeline, going to be baptised after 9.30am mass.

Congratulations to 36 children who receive the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** for the first time on Wednesday. Thank you to the team from St Brigid's School and catechists who helped preparing them.

Fr Thoi and the parish team

Thank you to the **Keating Family** for donating the beautiful flowers for their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations and God Bless



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held on the First Friday of the month at 9am followed by Anointing Mass at 9.30am.

Everyone is welcome

Behold, I make all things new.
(Rev. 21:5)

A EUCHARISTIC RETREAT DAY
for those involved in Liturgical Ministries

11 May 2024, 10AM - 4PM

St Martha's, Leichhardt



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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**