



St Brigid's Marrickville

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One Family, Alive in Christ

We stand at the Crossroads of life for many people.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

4th August, 2024

St Brigid's Parish Marrickville, acknowledges and pays respect to the traditional owners of the land on which it is built, the Gadigal people of the Eora nation.

Pastoral Ministry Contacts

Adult Sacraments:

Sr. Rosana

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Sr Elenita & Michael

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Sr Elenita

Children's Sacraments:

Sr Elenita

Ecumenical & Interfaith:

Jim Yeo

Family Group:

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Harverson

Justice & Peace Network:

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Liturgy C'tee:

Sr Rosana

Maintenance C'tee:

Michael Daher & Pongia

Fenukitau

Men's Club:

Arthur Kassis, John Skinner

& Mick Ward

Ministry of Care:

Sr Rosana

Music Director:

Frank Mafi

Safeguarding Officer:

Jim Yeo

Seniors' Group:

John Freeman & Richard

Gonsalves

Youth & Young Beacons

Jenny Ryan-Cook &

Kristen Roehrig



Dear sisters, brothers, and friends in the parish family,

San Lupo Feast

Last week, the Italian community joyfully celebrated the feast, honouring Saint Lupo, the patron saint of San Lupo, a small town in Italy. This annual event typically features a religious procession, with participants carrying a statue of the saint through the streets, accompanied by prayers and hymns, which were observed on a small scale due to weather conditions. The festivities include Mass, traditional Italian food, music, fostering a sense of community, connection and preserving heritage. It was a time for families and friends to gather, celebrate their faith, and enjoy the rich cultural traditions passed down through generations.



Welcome and Welcome back.



We welcome Fr. James Cong CP to the parish; he will join the parish team during the course of this week. He is scheduled to arrive from Vietnam on the 7th and is appointed by Fr. Denis, the provincial, to the parish on a full-time basis (*I will add more information about him in next week's newsletter*).

Fr. Joseph Doan CP will also return after his holidays this week. We welcome him back. We welcome both Fr. James and Fr. Joseph and wish them all the best as they begin their ministry as a priest here at St. Brigid.

National Vocation Awareness Week

The Church in Australia invites us to observe Vocation Awareness Week (VAW) from August 4th to 11th. VAW serves as a significant opportunity for the Church to reflect on the diverse calls to holiness and service that God extends to God's people. This week emphasises the importance of recognising and nurturing various vocations, including those to the priesthood, consecrated life, and marriage, as integral to the life of the Church. Pope Francis

highlights that each person is called to embody the beauty of the Gospel in their unique state of life, whether as a priest, religious, or layperson. This call is not merely a duty but a pathway to fulfillment and happiness, as it aligns with one's deepest desires and gifts.

We are called to support each other in recognising and responding to God's call. This involves not only individual prayer but also collective efforts to foster a culture that values and encourages vocations. The involvement of families, parishes, and educational institutions is crucial in nurturing a sense of vocation among young people, helping them to understand the beauty and importance of their potential callings. Our commitment to this mission is vital for the vibrant life of the Church and the world.

This week, let's take a moment each day, if possible, to pray and reflect. This could be spending some extra time in church before the Blessed Sacrament, attending a Mass on a weekday, rosary with your family or with a group, or having a special personal time dedicated to thinking of the vocation we have embraced. It could also involve talking about your vocation with an individual or listening to someone else's story. These moments of personal reflection and prayer will help foster an environment where individuals can discern and embrace their unique vocations, contributing to the vibrant life of the Church and the world.

Thought for the week

In today's gospel, the people are hungry to hear Jesus preach and teach. Since they could not find Jesus or his disciples, many of them got into boats and went to Capernaum to look for him. When they found him, they asked him: "When did you get here?" Why did they ask him this particular question? They had found him and wasn't that what they had hoped for? Perhaps they did not know what else to say to Jesus.

Jesus says to them: "You are looking for me not because you saw signs and wonders. You come to me only because you ate your fill of the loaves!" Jesus then tells them not to work for "food that perishes but rather for food that will truly satisfy your (spiritual) hunger."

Today may be a good day to take some time and ask ourselves: why do we come to Jesus?

Do we have an agenda when we come to Jesus? Do we give him a laundry list of requests?

Or do we come and spend time with him simply because we long to be in his presence?

I pray it is the latter!

Fr. Giltus CP



Donate to the Charitable Works Fund Appeal

3rd & 4th August 2024 is our parish appeal.

Help keep alive vital ministries of the Church in service to those who need it most. In hospitals, churches, schools, communities and families, your donation is making our world a loving, caring and compassionate place.

Give generously. Your tax-deductible gift changes lives. Thank you!

Donate at www.ourfaithourworks.org/give-to-cwf
Or complete the parish envelope.



Catholic Mission Calls for Parish Support for Community Refugee Sponsorship, an Initiative for a New Life in Australia

Catholic Mission is promoting the Community Refugee Integration and Settlement Pilot program (CRISP) and offers support to parishes who would like to form a group to welcome a refugee family or individual. The program is an excellent way to build community and live out “faith in action.”

To live without the fear of war, to have your basic human rights upheld, to live in equality and without the fear of persecution, these are just some of the examples of freedom that most of us experience. Sadly, many refugees are waiting for years to have an opportunity to find such freedoms in a new home. Community sponsorship offers a supported pathway of settlement for refugee families or individuals.

The government sponsored Community Refugee Sponsorship program empowers local community groups, of 5 or more members, to support newcomers to settle and integrate by providing social, material, and practical support. Members are provided training and support, and ways to connect with other groups and share experiences. The Australian government selects refugees who have no familial connections in Australia and matches them with a group based on needs and resources.

The Parish Pastoral Council has invited Catholic Mission to speak about the CRISP program during weekend masses of the 17th/18th August, with the hope that a parish group would form. A parish group could offer a warm, welcoming, and supportive community for a refugee newcomer. Join us to hear about the success of this program in other Sydney parishes and around the country.

If you would like to know more about the CRISP program, please contact our Anne Nesbitt: anne.nesbitt@catholicmission.org.au.

A Golden Age of Keyboard Music

Music by Cabezon, Correa, Gabrieli, Merulo, Storace, Bull, Byrd and Tomkins



Sunday 25th August 2pm
St Brigid's Marrickville
392 Marrickville Road

Tickets \$40/\$30/\$20
Attend in person or watch later online
Tickets www.trybooking.com/CTSED



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Senior's Group:

Meeting 3rd Sunday of the month at 2.00pm.

All welcome

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- Vocations Week Guide: Liftout inside this week's *Catholic Weekly* p13-36
- Uni Open Days: Information for students seeking tertiary education p10-12
- Jacob Kiraz's City2Serve, p1,3
- "God is always calling us:" ordination of new deacon p1,2
- Take Olympic scandal to prayer, Archbishop Fisher says p4

Recently Deceased: Gina Quinlan, Edward Shelley, Jose Luis Da Silva, Emile Elhindi, Fr. Francis Xavier Chanampally CP, Pauline Wall, Mitchell Rodrigues



Death Anniversaries: Sr Francis Bartley SGS, Nguyen Van Hung, Peter Buchel, Dominic Nguyen Van Ai, Daniel Peter Guilfoyle, Timothy O'Brien, Betty Isabel Scotlard, Alfred F Taylor, Eileen Minehan, Thomas Bunch, Sr Ruth Boland RSJ, Ivy Heares, Thomas Pearson, Lucia Amoranto, Kathleen (Kit) Mahony, Giuseppe Buda, Anthony Coorey, Chloe Bovingdon, Clara Anderson,

Carrying Severe Illness: Elizabeth Pizzuto, James Misi, Steven Para, John Love, Eileen McClement, Mary Angela Thomas, Lidia Obeid, George Clavigo, Huyen Nguyen, Georgette Khoury, Greg Glass, Penelope Lincoln, Paul Darbyshire, Leonardo Sofi, Paul Massi, Maria Caccamo, Paul Murphy, Michael Natoloczny, Laurice Sassine, Sharon Micallef, Nick Rizzo, Susan King, Tina Schino, Fr Christopher Mithen CP, Violet Touma, Damia Roumie, Joise Gomes, Catherine Vella, Laura Nolan, Angela Augerinos, Antonios Gebrael, Gloria Susana Rojas, Rudi Presern, Colin Constantinou,

Other intentions: Josephine & Joseph Farah, Wendy Lamb, Maria Jose Nunes, Maggie Malgorzata Narkiewkz



Mass Texts: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15
I will rain bread from heaven upon you.

Response: Ps 77:3-4, 23-25, 54
The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Second Reading: Eph 4:17, 20-24
Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God Alleluia!

Gospel: Jn 6:24-35
Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.



PARISH CALENDAR 2024

AUGUST

3rd	Sat	3.00pm	Our Lady of Snows
4th	w/end		CWF Appeal
4th	Sun	10.00am	Baptism Preparation
		1.30pm	Our Lady of Snows
8th	Thur		Feast of St Mary MacKillop of the Cross
11th	Sun	6.00pm	Youth Mass & Group meeting
15th	Thur	6.45am	Assumption of the Virgin Mary
		9.00am	
		11.30am	Casimir Mass
		6.00pm	Viet Mass
18th	Sun	7.00pm	Youth Group
23rd	Fri	7.00pm	Tongan Mass

Liturgical Timetable

MONDAY - FRIDAY: Mass at 6:45am followed by Exposition and Rosary. Adoration and Benediction at 8.45am followed by Mass at 9.00am and Rosary.

SATURDAY: Mass at 8:00am followed by Holy Rosary. *Reconciliation:* 4.30pm. Mass: 5.00pm (Livestreamed) and 6.30pm (Vietnamese).

SUNDAY: Mass at 8.00am | 10.30am (bilingual) | 4.00pm (Vietnamese) | 6.00pm.

Ministry of Care & Support to Aged and Infirm

Communion is taken to sick residents in Nursing Homes & in their homes on a weekly basis, either by Ministers of Care or family members. Blessing for the Ministers will be given after Mass.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is offered after 9.00am Mass on the first Friday of each month.

DAILY MORNING MASSES

Date	Lay Min	Reader
Mon 6:45	Vinh N	Jim Y
9:00	Mary T	Liz
Tue 6:45	Albert N	Viet
9:00	Mary T	Viet
Wed 6:45	Albert N	Paul C
9:00	Liz	Buddy
Thu 6:45	Paul C	Michael P
9:00	Thom Thao	Joanna
Fri 6:45	Vinh N	Patricia
9:00	Tony C	Leila W
Sat 8:00	Jim	Judy

WEEKLY ROSTER

	Lectors/Commentators		Communion Ministers		Acolytes / Altar Servers	Collector In-charge
	3/4 Aug	10/11 Aug	3/4 Aug	10/11 Aug	This weekend	
Saturday 5:00pm	Com: Elizabeth B 1st: Thu H 2nd: Michael P	Com: Gabrielle B 1st: Laura N 2nd: Paul C	Carole P Michael P Thu H Elizabeth B	Gabrielle B Paul C Keleia A Vinh N	M. Dillon Vinh N. Sophia N.	Jim Y. Michael P.
Sunday 8:00am	Com: Margaret T 1st: Joseph F 2nd: Joanna V	Com: Esther G 1st: Mary L 2nd: Geoffrey L	Joseph F Joanna V Geoffrey L	Mary L Stephen O Dennis M	Dennis M. Luca G Antonella G	Peter H. Maria M.
Sunday 10:30am	Com: Joanne M 1st: Dana T 2nd: Italian	Com: Peter J 1st: John M 2nd: Italian	Tony C Giuseppe S Albert N Anthony N	Frank C Bernadette S Joanne M Susan K	Albert N Anthony N	Tony C. Giuseppe S
Sunday 6:00pm	Com: Kevin B 1st: Arthur K 2nd: Lenore D	Youth Mass	Arthur K Charlene E Lenore D	Alexis H Lenore D Kevin B	Tony H. Charlene E. Celina E. Alexis H.	Arthur K. Jackie K

Safeguarding Office:

Child sexual abuse is a crime. The appropriate people to deal with crimes 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 on safeguardingenquiries@sydneycatholic.org or 9390 5810. You may also 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.

