



St Brigid's Marrickville

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One Family, Alive in Christ

We stand at the Crossroads of life for many people.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

3rd September 2023

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.

Dear sisters, brothers and friends in the Parish Family,

On this Father's Day our best wishes and prayers go to all our fathers and the guardians & carers who give life and love to the children for whom they care. This weekend especially, let's celebrate our dads, -those with us, and those gone before us. The best gift we can give them is letting them know our love and appreciation for them.

Over these last weeks a number of our parishioners have passed away, most from that great generation of migrants who arrived in the 1950's and 1960's. During the eulogies, I listened to so many incredible stories of the dads (and mums, of course, but this week is Father's Day!).

They left home and country, left their wives and children -sometimes not yet born- to prepare a new life for their families. The stories were full of tales of love, generosity, sacrifice, hard work.... and faith. Parenting in every generation takes the same path. The context might be different but the qualities needed are the same. Perhaps today they are needed more than ever. So, let's give thanks this Father's Day for our dads; and pray for healing where there have been hurt or broken relationships.

To celebrate Father's Day, our Casimir College and St Brigid's Primary both had special liturgies and morning tea during this past week for the dads. Our Young Beacons have prepared special Father's Day cards for this weekend, and little gift packs. One of our Passionist Family Groups - the Jennings Group- is providing morning tea

after the 10.30 mass on Sunday - providing the morning tea for Mother's Day and Father's Day is special commitment of the group. To all the above, a hearty 'Thank You'.

We now have the announcement of the October 14 date for the Referendum on a Voice to Parliament for our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Through the recent Catholic Social Justice Statement 2024 -Listen, Learn, Love - the Australian Catholic Bishops asked us to reflect on the Uluru Statement from the Heart. The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference endorsed this statement in 2021. The 5th Plenary Council of the Australian Church endorsed the Uluru Statement last year. The bishops have not told us how we should vote in the Referendum, but they have encouraged us to listen, reflect and pray before we do.

St Pope John Paul II said in 1996 "The Church in Australia will not be fully the Church Jesus wants her to be until you, the aboriginal people, have made your contribution to her life". You will find copies of that statement by our indigenous people on the seats and at the back of the Church. Our Bishops have said to our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, "We love you and want to walk the journey of healing with you" - (Bishop Vincent Long's introduction the Social Justice Statement 2024). So as each of us considers how we will vote at the Referendum, let us listen so we might learn & then act with love on October 14th.

Kind regards
Tom cp





PHONE SCAM

It has been brought to our attention that an SMS message has been received by parishioners supposedly from Fr Tom asking for donations for a cancer victim.

Please note this is a scam.

Fr Tom would never directly SMS parishioners with this request.

AVE MARIA CONCERT

The communities of St. Brigid's will gather together in song to praise Mary in the Month of October.

**Friday, 13th October 7:00 pm –9:00 pm.
at St Brigid's Church**

The theme of this concert is "Ave Maria"

All communities will choose 2 Marian songs to be sung in their own language or English:

- It can be solo or as a group approx. 2-3 mins in length.
- Duets 2-3 mins in length.

Each song will have its introduction and the meaning of the song explained to the congregation.

Please email your entries of songs to:

Anna Ngo - annahoang.ngo@gmail.com

Mary Cloran - maryccloran@gmail.com



You will receive further information in regard to rehearsals which will commence in September/ October.

Entry will be free but donations to support St Brigid's will be gratefully appreciated.

Refreshment will be served.

Looking forward for your participation.

Lambert Goes Down Under

The Early Music Collective Sydney
Curated by Karen Carey OAM



FRIDAY OCTOBER 20 7.30pm

Here at St Brigid's Marrickville
Watch live or online

Get your tickets at Trybooking.com/CKOLH

Come see Australia's only antique French viola da gamba, Jean Nicolas Lambert (Paris 1739) performed by Shaun Ng.

Program includes solos by Telemann, duos by Couperin, sonatas by Quantz, a suite by Rameau and the viola da gamba concerto by Telemann

Casimir College and St Brigid's Youth Mass

Casimir and our own Youth are planning to provide music for a youth mass on a regular basis. Pictured here are the young people & teachers gathered two Sundays ago, along with the incoming Casimir Student Leadership Team



Parish

Sunday 17th September 2023

Community

12.00pm after Mass Shrubland Hall

Fundraising

Tickets: \$60 pp includes 3 course meal + beverages

Raffle will be available at every weekend masses and on the day

With great prizes

Please contact Tony Cipolla,

Sr Elenita Flores, CP or the parish office for tickets

Event

Limited space - get in fast



Sound of Freedom
 Movie now showing in Cinemas.

A movie recommended for adults, bringing to light the issue of worldwide child trafficking. We didn't have enough time to organise a Parish private screening at a local Cinema, but there are many around for you to attend and watch this movie. A real eye opener!!!

RCIA PROGRAM



For those wanting to receive the Sacrament of Initiation into the Catholic Church, please reach out to the Parish office or Sr Rosana at rosana@stbrigid.org.au

Preparation sessions will commence in October. We look forward to this journey with our Candidates.

PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FOUNDATION

Father's Day Appeal

Sunday 3 September 2023

Your priests helped begin your faith journey
 The Archdiocese Father's Day Appeal supports retired priests and honours our Fathers for their wonderful service to our community. Your gift is a 'thank you' to those who've contributed in so many ways in your life.

Will you help look after them in their retirement this Father's Day?
 Donate today by completing the parish envelope, calling 1800 753 959 or online at www.ourfaithourworks.org/prf

JOIN THE ALTAR SERVICE MINISTRY

If you are 11 years old and have received the First Holy Communion please contact Sr Rosana on rosana@stbrigid.org.au

ST BRIGID PIETY STORE

Located at the Back of the Church, we stock Baptism candles and stoles, as well as a variety of religious items. Open at each weekend mass.

Are you New to St Brigid's

Please note your best contact details on the clipboard at the back of the church so one of our staff members can contact you and share the many ways you can be more involved in our many ministries

*We want to get to know you,
 & want you to get to know us.*



ST BRIGID YOUTH MASS - SUNDAY 6PM

To all our young parishioners, (ages 9–35) we encourage you to be part of our Youth Mass on Sunday nights.

For all enquiries, please contact Jenny at youthministry@passionists.com

Recently Deceased: Florentino Tome, Manuel De Jesus Luis, Gerald Marshall, Dr Elizabeth Lewis

Death Anniversaries: SEPTEMBER

Sr Mary Donellan, Maria Mandile, Antony Thach, Gerard Farrugia, Maria Bui, Guiseppi Simone, James Macartney, Nell Lane, Joseph Shakour, Joseph Obeid, Joachim Ta, Joseph Hoang, Eva Amaral, Charles Hockey, Gregory Hill, Raymond Clovan, Giovanna Cipolla, Charles Formosa, Audrey Pember, Delia Edwards, Maria Tan, Helen Roach, Erminia Stramandinoli, Kieren Basic, Kenneth Suter, John Nguyen, Monica Yen, Eileen Blackall, Hend El-Daher, William Warrella, Badaui Semrany, Kelvin Sullivan, Peggy Barrett, Leslie Hogan, Anna Matthews, David Schembri, Jeremiah Mahony, Carmela Debone, Marie Harkness, Maria Thi Vo, Catherine O'Connor, Maria Tin, Gillian Sofatzis, Letizia Tesoriero, Douglas Ferguson, Pavlovic Jacob, Jose Da Costa, Kathleen & John Parry, Lola Trethowan, Joseph Pham, Catherine O'Sullivan, Victoria Climax, Ann Phipps, Irene James, Donald Buck, Mate Tuimaseve, Luthgarda Cortezano, Kathleen Brown, Fr Jim Elmore CP

Carrying Severe Illness: Elizabeth Pizzuto, John Thomas, James Misingongo, Buena Ong, Phil Drew, Steven Para, Fr Brian Gleeson CP, Mary Angela Thomas, Lidia Obeid, George Clavigo, Georgette Houry, Huyen Nguyen, George Bugeja, Penelope Lincoln, Paul Darbyshire, Fr Thomas Thanh CP, Leonardo Sofi, Arch Moss, Mely Siasat Roma & Michael Natoloczny, Fr Christopher Mithen CP, Maria Caccamo, Carmel King, Cruz Chacana (baby boy),

Other intentions: Antonio Rendeiro, Steven Para, Wendy Lamb, Joe & Josephine Farah, Mary Rende, John (Jack) Danzey, Josip Nikolas, Clare & John Finucane, Jim & Gladys Hanscombe

Mass Texts: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Jer 20:7-9

The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.

Response: Ps 62:2-6, 8-9

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Second Reading: Rom 12:1-2

May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Gospel Acclamation:

R. Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mt 16:21-27

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself

PARISH CALENDAR 2023

SEPTEMBER

3rd	Sun		Father's Day
		9.00am	Confirmation Preparation session #4
6th	Wed	5.30pm	Our Lady of Sorrow
8th	Fri	9.00am	Confirmation Reflection day
13th	Wed	5.30pm	Our Lady of Sorrow
15th	Fri	9.30am	Casimir Graduation Mass
17th	Sun	1.30pm	Parish Fundraiser Lunch Senior Group
20th	Wed	5.30pm	Our Lady of Sorrow
24th	Sun	2.00pm	Sacrament of Confirmation
26th	Tue	7.00pm	PPC meeting
27th	Wed	5.30pm	Our Lady of Sorrow
29th	Fri	7.00pm	Men's Club

Liturgical Timetable

Mon - Wed - Fri: Adoration and Benediction at 8.45am followed by **Mass at 9.00am** and Rosary
Tues: **Mass at 6:45am**
Thurs: Mass at 6.45am followed by 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) **and 6pm.**

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 the Mass.

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

	Lectors/Commentators		Communion Ministers		Acolytes / Altar Servers		Collector In-charge
	2/ 3 Sept	8/9 Sept	2/ 3 Sept	8/9 Sept	2 / 3 Sept	8/9 Sept	
Saturday 5:00pm	Com: Margaret H Reader: Jan R	Com: Michael H Reader: Laura N	M. Dillon Vinh N Liz B Shelley H Thu H	M. Dillon Vinh N Carole O Paul C Ofa T Kelelia A	M. Dillon Vinh N. Sophia N.	M. Dillon Vinh N. Sophia N.	Jim Yeo Michael P.
Sunday 8:00am	Com: Marco G Reader: Margaret T	Com: Mary L Reader: John S	Dennis M Vinh N F. Seufale Margaret K	Dennis M Vinh N Geoffrey L Margaret K	Dennis M. Vinh N. Agustine E	Dennis M. Vinh N. Agustine E	Peter H. Maria M.
Sunday 10:30am	Com: Bernadeth S 1st: Parish 2nd: Italian	Com: Angie C 1st: Children 2nd: Italian	Albert N Anthony N Frank C Maria B	Albert N Anthony N Tony C Giuseppe S	Albert N Anthony N	Albert N Anthony N	Tony C. Giuseppe S
Sunday 6:00pm	Com: Charlie Reader: Pedro M	Com: Arthur K Reader: Kevin B	Tony H Arthur K Jackie K John S	Tony H Arthur K Jackie K Kristen R	Tony H. Charlene E. Celina E. Alexis H.	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