



St Brigid's Marrickville

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One Family, Alive in Christ

We stand at the Crossroads of life for many people

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - YEAR C
18th September 2022

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

SERVING GOD NOT GREED:

Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-18; Luke 16:1-11

You and I are creatures of flesh, bone, blood, and soul. To stay alive and thrive, we need our Mother Earth. We need her for air, water, food, and heat. We need her for covering and shelter. We need her to stimulate our minds and spirits. So, in principle, it cannot be wrong to use the earth for our needs.

On the other hand, our use of the earth raises moral questions, especially today when the human population of the planet is more than seven billion people and steadily increasing. So, we have to ask ourselves: How much do we really need? How much do we have a right to? When might we be abusing or exploiting God's gifts? When might we be simply hoarding?

To be more specific, we need to ask ourselves: How much and what quality of food do we have the right to eat when so many others across the globe are hungry or starving? How many changes of clothes are we entitled to when others have hardly a change of clothes? How elaborate a home are we entitled to when others are homeless or living in hovels? How much beauty can we claim for ourselves when others are living in filth and squalor?

These questions, I admit, are complex and difficult to answer exactly. Surely the merchants in the reading from Amos today had a right to buy and sell. So, they should not be faulted simply because they were prosperous while others were poor. Nor should the manager in the gospel be blamed for not being needy. Neither can we be criticized for putting resources aside for future use. For the education of children e.g., for future medical needs, for retirement, and even for a holiday. But the question remains: - How much do we really need? And are there any limits to our rights of ownership?

Our consumer society tells us that we have a right to everything we earn or might earn. But do we? In a world of limited and dwindling resources, how much is too much? What does the balance of the earth say to us? What do the legitimate needs of others tell us? What does our faith as followers of Jesus suggest? In these matters of life and death, what does it mean to act as 'children of the light'?

In this whole area, there are no easy answers and no pat answers. While we do have the right to use and enjoy the resources of our world, we cannot do this without a sense of responsibility to others who share our planet and to the planet itself. The persons in today's readings are not condemned because they were better off than others, but because they used their wealth only for their personal advantage, benefit, and enrichment. With them, it was self first, last, and always.

You and I are much more than greedy and insatiable consumers. Our value and dignity do not consist in our possessions but in the quality of our relationships, and especially the quality of our relationships with our deprived and needy fellow human beings all over the earth. We may never know if our decisions in this area are the best ones we could make. But being fair, just, and loving people do require us to think about, grapple with, and respond to the challenging issues of sharing Mother Earth and her resources with the whole human race. Collectively and individually, we must not squander the resources of our world. We must make decisions as trustworthy and responsible administrators of the gifts of God, and not be like that man in the gospel who was concerned only with himself and his well-being.

In short, Jesus calls us to serve God, not greed! Let me say that one more time: - Jesus calls us to serve God, not greed!

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**We congratulate our candidates celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation
this Sunday 18th September, 2022 at 2pm**

Alyssa Rebelo
Anatalia Ruiz Douglas
Annabella Vumbaca
Cameron McDonald
Carter Nguyen
Chelsea Dowd
Ciano Ernesto Errichiello
Cooper Domingo Stuart Clarke
Damian Santos
Dimitri Staveris
Elesio Antonio Errichiello
Eloise Dyster
Emilie Batista
Emma Bui
Esther Owusu- Ansah
Gabriel Alexandre Rodrigues Correia
Harrison James
Aiden Luke Coelho
Alexandra Gralton
Jacinta Rodrigues
Jacob Gallardo
Jade Paladino
Jarvis Sterndale-Smith
Jasmine Yepez
Keira Nguyen
Khanh Hoang
Luca Geretto
Lucy Owusu- Ansah
Madeline Sum Lan Ha
Maria Clara Encarnacao



Matthew Antonio Repole
Matthew Ming Tai Chan
Max Coumbiadis
Olivia Karaconji
Philip Nguyen
Pierre Pietro Tilocca
Preston Nguyen
Quinn Hoang
Rachel Haywood
Renee Justine Bernardo
Roberto Ryan Repole
Ruby Miller
Samuel Parsonage
Sebastian Joel Rodrigues Correia
Shi Hyeong Rory Baldwin
Sophia Grace Nolan
Sophie Isabella Norman
Summer Peralta
Theresa Vu
Tilen Jazbec
Victoria Nguyen
Xavier Lima
Xavier Rodriguez
Zara Jazbec
Zooey Leung
Aiden Joao Pestana
Lola Cuiuli
Alexander James Hollands
Talei Tiare McCaig
Lolita Schinella

**May the Holy Spirit light your way, so that your Faith and Love
grow stronger every day.**

**Pontifical Requiem Mass
for Queen Elizabeth II**

To mark the life and reign of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Catholic Archbishop of Sydney, Most Rev. Anthony Fisher OP will celebrate a **Solemn Pontifical Requiem Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday 24th September 2022 at 10.00am.**

All members of the community are welcome and strongly encouraged to attend.

Passionist Family Groups



**Come join us this
Saturday 17 September at
6:00pm
in Shrublands Hall.**

The evening will be catered with a small charge

Donation for Passionist Mission in Vietnam

If you can donate and help support our mission please do so by donating to the following:

Trustees of the Passionist Fathers
BSB: 062784 Account: 100002347



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PAKISTAN FLOOD CRISIS

Devastating floods in Pakistan have claimed the lives of more than 1,100 people and affected 33 million people across the country.

Mass Texts: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Am 8:4-7

The Lord will forget nothing that the wicked do.

Response: Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

Second Reading: 1 Tm 2:1-8

Pray often, free of anger and dissension.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia

Gospel: Lk 16:1-13

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.

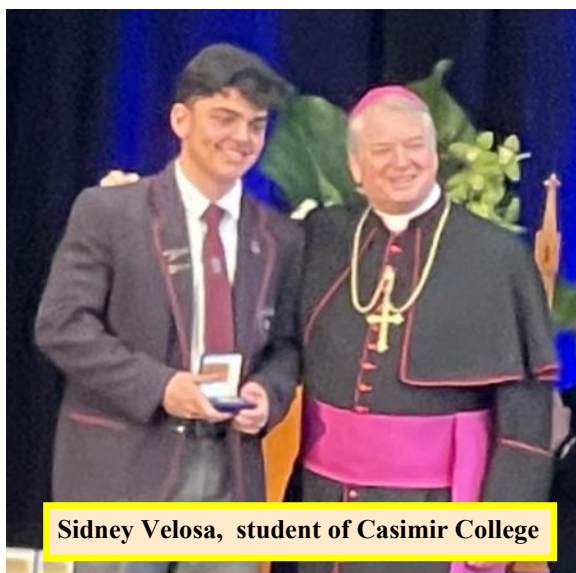
Safeguarding Office:

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 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.

Congratulations to Alixes Hirang and Sidney Velosa, Archbishop's Award Recipients



Alixes Hirang, student of St. Maroun's College



Sidney Velosa, student of Casimir College

Feast of St Padre Pio

You are invited to celebrate with Glenmore Park Parish, the Patron saint, St Padre Pio.

22 Sept - 7.00pm Novena followed by Mass
23 Sept - 7.00pm Novena followed by Mass
24 Sept - 5.30pm Novena followed by Mass
25 Sept - 10.00am Solemn Procession with Relic followed by the Solemn Feast Mass

For more information please call 4789 2232



Recently Deceased: Jean Margaret Reilly, Cesare Di Nicola, Emilia Scali, Barbara O'Rourke, Sam Bietola

Death Anniversaries: Giovanna Cipolla, Frank Scarfo, Letizia Tesoriero, Douglas Leonard Ferguson, Jacob Pavlovic, Jose Luis Da Costa, Kathleen Parry, David Schembri, Lola Trethowan, Joseph Trong Quoc Pham, Maria Ven Thi Nguyen, Catherine O'Sullivan, Victoria Climax, Ann Phipps (Hickey) Irene James, Donald Buck

Carrying Severe Illness: Mely Siasat; Josephine (Deacon Christopher's mother); Joseph Chaina; Elizabeth Pizzuto; John Thomas; James Misingongo; Mary Angela Thomas; Marie Thompson; Falakiko Sevelo Kama; George Clavigo; Fr. Jim Elmore, CP, Sr. Anna Kopyt; Sr. Agnese Copyt; Teresa Mazzeo; Patricia Walsh; Marie Thompson, George Bugeja, Jim Elmore, Buena Ong.

Other intentions: Azzopardi Family, Bugeja Family, Mary Salerno, Rende Family



Parish Collection 11/9/2022

First Collection \$1,395.00

First collection supports the Passionist community, all the priests & brothers who are part of the St. Brigid's community and whose ministry nourishes our lives. A portion of this collection is passed to the Archdiocese, to support priests in remote areas across Australia and those who are in ill-health or who have retired.

Second Collection \$2,245.00

The Second collection, which includes our Planned Giving program, is for the Parish. It supports the maintenance and growth of our parish's mission, including the administration costs in running the parish. This collection goes towards our building maintenance costs, including insurance, utilities, cleaning & rubbish removal.

Expenses this week: \$9,577.00

Thank you for supporting St Brigid's Parish



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Parish Calendar 2022

SEPTEMBER

17th	Sat	6.00pm	Passionist Family Group
18th	Sun	2:00 pm	Confirmation Day
21st	Tue	7:00pm	Liturgy meeting
25th	Sun	W/E	Catholic Mission Appeal
			108th World Day of Migrant and Refugees
27th	Tue	7:00pm	Parish Pastoral Council

OCTOBER

3rd	Mon	6.30pm	Bereavement Ministry
4th	Tue	7.00pm	Outreach Main Group
7th	Fri	7.30pm	Men's Club
11th	Tue	7.00pm	Liturgy Committee
16th	Sun	W/E	St Paul of the Cross Parish celebration
16th	Sun	2.00pm	Senior's Group
19th	Wed	9.00am	St Paul of the Cross
25th	Tue	7.00pm	Parish Pastoral Council

Liturgical Timetable

Mon - Wed - Fri:	Adoration and Benediction at 8.45am followed by Mass at 9.00am. Followed by Rosary
Tues	Mass at 6:45
Thurs:	Mass at 6.45am followed by Rosary
Saturday:	Mass at 8:00am followed by Holy Rosary
Saturday:	Reconciliation: 4.30pm. Mass: 5.00pm (Live-streamed) & 6.30 pm (Vietnamese)
Sunday:	Mass at 8.00am; 10.30am (bilingual); 4.30pm (Viet); 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.

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

Sunday Mass Liturgical Ministries Roster

	Lectors/Commentators		Communion Ministers		Acolytes / Altar Servers		Collector In-charge
	17/18 Sept	24/25 Sept	17/18 Sept	24/25 Sept	17/18 Sept	24/25 Sept	
Saturday 5:00pm	Michael P Kelelia A	Liz Buchel Michael S.	M. Dillon Vinh Nguyen Leila Walsh Liz Buchel Paul Cloran	M. Dillon Vinh Nguyen Ofa Tupola Michael P. Carole Price	M. Dillon Vinh N. Sophia N. Luca G. Antonella G	M. Dillon Vinh N. Sophia N. Luca G. Antonella G	Jim Yeo Michael P.
Sunday 8:00am	Suer King Mary Leask	Margaret H. Jan Rego	Dennis M. Vinh Nguyen Francis S. Margaret K Thu Nguyen	Dennis M. Vinh Nguyen Francis S. Margaret K Thu Nguyen	D. Maher Vihn N. Agustine E.	D. Maher Vihn N.	Peter H. Maria M.
Sunday 10:30am	Dana T. Tanya H. Angie C.	John Mc. Anthony N Catherine V.	Albert N. Anthony N John Mc. Joanne Mc. Peter J.	Albert N. Anthony N Bernadette Y. Tony Cipolla Guiseppe S.	Albert N Anthony N	Albert N. Anthony N	Tony C. Giuseppe S
Sunday 6:00pm	Adrienne H. John Skinner	Young Adults	Tony Hayek Pedro M. Jackie K. Adrienne H.	Tony Hayek Jackie K. Arthur K. Michael W.	Tony H. Charlene E. Celina E. Alexis H.	Tony H. Charlene E. Celina E. Alexis H.	Arthur K. Jackie K