



## St Brigid's Marrickville

In the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, Australia  
Est 1886. Under the Pastoral Care of the Passionists since 1887

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Fr Tom McDonough CP	Fr Dominic Samamba CP
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Dcn Rev. Christopher Roehrig	Pongia Fenukitau
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**One Family, Alive in Christ**

**We stand at the Crossroads of life for many people**

**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - YEAR C**  
**16th October 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*

### Fr Tom writes.....

*Dear friends in the Passionist Family*

*We are celebrating this weekend the feast of the founder of our Passionist Congregation. St Paul of the Cross lived in times of uncertainty, violence, poverty, similar to our own. In all their hardship, people also felt that not even the Church cared about what they were going through, that they just didn't matter. So Paul of the Cross held up the crucifix, Jesus crucified and said "This is how much you matter, enough for Jesus to suffer and die for you". The Cross he said was the most overwhelming sign of God's extraordinary love. Paul believed that no one should be left to suffer alone. Everyone matters and everyone needs to be cared for. This 'culture' of care and concern, of responsibility for one another is the culture we foster and live as best we can, here in our parish. Our Parish is a family for all, as our parish motto says. And being family is really what we celebrate on this feast day.*

*With sadness we learned this week that the application of Fr Thomas Thanh for a Religious Worker visa was not accepted by the Government. Fr Thomas will need to return to Vietnam around November 13th. There for the first months, he will spend having a well earned holiday with his family whom he hasn't seen for over three years. In the meantime we will work with him on the next steps for Thomas' life and ministry.*

*With the departure of Sr Elena also in early November, our parish will be so sadly effected. Sr Elena has been 15 years in the parish, Fr. Thomas 6 years. They both carry so much of*

*the Parish memory.*

**On Sunday, October 30th, at the 10.30 mass, we will celebrate a Mass of Thanks and Farewell for Sr Elena and Fr Thomas. We give advance notice as this will be a BIG celebration.**

*While talking about big celebrations, originally on that Sunday at that mass, we were going to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of Our Passionist Province cutting the ties with our mother province in England & Ireland. The Prime Minister, Anthony Albanese, was going to attend. However, Mr Albanese had to withdraw. So we have postponed this celebration now till the last Sunday in November.*

*One thing about St Brigid's, it is never dull!*

**Kind regards**  
**Tom cp**

### **Mass Texts: FEAST OF ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS**

**First Reading: Is 53:10-11**

By his sufferings shall my servant justify many

**Response:** Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

**Second Reading: Heb 4:14-16**

We must never let go of the faith that we have professed.

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!**

The Lord has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives. Alleluia!

**Gospel: Mark 6:7-13**

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs, giving them authority over unclean spirits.

## FEAST OF ST PAUL OF THE CROSS

Founder of the Passionists



### HERE ARE SOME OF THESE "FLOWERS" OF ST PAUL TAKEN FROM HIS LETTERS:

"In times of aridity arouse your spirit gently, by acts of love; then rest in the will of God. It is thus that the soul gives the strongest proof of her fidelity to God. Make a bouquet of the sufferings of Jesus, and place it on the bosom of your soul, as I have told you. You can from time to time call them to mind, and say sweetly to your Saviour: 'Oh good Jesus, how swollen, bruised, and defiled with spittle do I behold Thy countenance! Oh my Love! why do I see Thee all covered with wounds? Oh Infinite Sweetness! why are Thy bones laid bare? Ah, what sufferings! what sorrows! O my God! for what are Thou all wounded! Ah, dear sufferings! dear wounds! I wish to keep you always in my heart!'"

"When you are alone in your room, take your crucifix, kiss its five wounds reverently, tell it to preach to you a little sermon, and then listen to the words of eternal life that it speaks to your heart; listen to the pleading of the thorns, the nails, the precious Blood. Oh, what an eloquent sermon!"

"On awaking, keep your heart under control, by the remembrance of God, your Love, your only Good. When God inspires you with a sentiment of love, stop and taste it, as the bee sips the honey.... Ah! when I reflect that my soul is the temple of God, that God dwells in me, how my heart rejoices! All sufferings and afflictions appear to me sweet and light.... What a fruitful source of meditation! Live in the joy and the peace of the divine Majesty. Live lost in divine love. Live for divine love and of divine love. Oh cherished cross! Through thee my most bitter trials are replete with graces!"

"The Mass is the most favorable occasion to speak with the eternal Father, because then we offer Him His only Son as a victim for our salvation. Before celebrating, reflect on the sufferings of your Redeemer, commune peaceably with Him, even in the midst of dryness; carry to the altar the needs of the entire world."

## **Beloved Women's Day Retreat**

An initiative of the Catholic Women's Network, Sydney Centre for Evangelisation

Saturday November 5th, 2022

8:30am- 5:30pm

Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Grosevale.

Speakers include Sr Mary Julian Ekman (Religious Sister of Mercy of Alma, Michigan), Fr Daniele Russo (Vocation Centre, Archdiocese of Sydney) and Heather Khym, co-host, Abiding Together podcast.

\$65 early bird price until 14th October. All meals included. For more details and to register,

visit: <https://www.catholicwomensnetwork.org/event/cwn-beloved-retreat/>



For more information, please email [catholicwomensnetwork@sydneycatholic.org](mailto:catholicwomensnetwork@sydneycatholic.org)

## **AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS LIFEBLOOD**

Marrickville is getting a new neighbour for life. Our friends at Australian Red Cross Lifeblood are opening the new Marrickville Blood Donor Centre from 27th October, 7 days a week, at Level 1, 76a Edinburgh Road, across from Marrickville Metro.

At St Brigid's we know Inner West locals are a generous bunch – now's the time to show it!

Visit [lifeblood.com.au/Marrickville](http://lifeblood.com.au/Marrickville) or search 'give blood' to book a donation today.

### **Other ways to help:**

You can help such as creating a [Lifeblood Team](#), or sharing news with your friends.

Visit [www.lifeblood.com.au/blood/donate-as-a-group](http://www.lifeblood.com.au/blood/donate-as-a-group) to register as a team

**Together, we're Australia's Lifeblood.**  
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### **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**

Devine Retreat Centre  
**Spiritual Retreat**  
with Fr Roni George VC

Wednesday, October 26th, 2022 7.00pm - 9.00pm  
St Francis Xavier Catholic Church  
71 Webster Road, Lurnea  
Please call Rosy on 0449 975 805

**Sydney Catholic Schools  
Family Educator Roles available**

Family Educators liaise between our school and parish communities. The role is school based, 2.5 days per week. The role works to create invitational events, information sessions and activities that aim to connect families with the religious life of the school and the parish. Family educators also provide further support to families in the development of their child – spiritually, socially and educationally. A good heart and a big smile is all you need to be a great Family Educator.

We currently have roles in: Bondi, Beverley Hills, Daceyville, Enmore, Leichhardt, Leichhardt North and North Shore.

- Bondi: <https://fal.cn/3slod>
- Beverley Hills: <https://fal.cn/3sl0h>
- Daceyville: <https://fal.cn/3sl08>
- Leichhardt: <https://fal.cn/3sl0c>
- Leichhardt North: <https://fal.cn/3sl0b>
- North Shore: <https://fal.cn/3sl09>

**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](mailto: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.



**INTERESTED TO FIND OUT MORE  
ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?**



- ◆ Do you know or someone you know wish to become a Catholic?
- ◆ Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith?
- ◆ Are you Baptised Catholic, but never been confirmed or received the First Eucharist?

**Let us walk this journey with you! Come every 2nd, 3rd, 4th Wednesdays of the month at 7:30 pm in the Parish Office.**

If you are interested, please email Sr. Rosana at [rosana@stbrigid.org.au](mailto:rosana@stbrigid.org.au)

***Family Spirit is currently seeking support to find foster carers.***

**9-month-old Suzie** urgently needs a safe and caring home. Suzie, who is a bundle of joy, has recently been in a short-term placement, but we are now looking for a home and carers who she can build a long-lasting relationship with and who can provide long-term care and support.

**Can you help us find a carer for Suzie?**

Suzie's siblings are also in care, currently in North-Western Sydney, and it is important for her to see her siblings regularly to continue to build their relationships. Any prospective carer/s would need to support these regular meetings.

We are open to carers of any age, gender and family size and a thorough matching process will be undertaken to ensure suitability.

Do you know someone who could help?

If you could please forward this information to anyone who might be able to assist. They can call the Family Spirit team on 13 18 19 to find out more or register to attend one of our online information sessions as detailed below. Read more about Suzie and other young people you can help.

*For more information, please call our team on 13 18 19 or visit [familyspirit.org](http://familyspirit.org)*



**Recently Deceased:** Josephine Corrine Roehrig (Deacon Christopher's mother), Fr. James Godfrey Elmore, CP

**Death Anniversaries:** Daphie Grange; Demetrio Llego; Hannah El-Lakkis, Maria Kearsey; William Kersey; Madeleine Rose De Sousa; Peter Nguyen Van Nhan; Sr. Betty Marion McDonald RSJ; George Fountain; Franceschino Fois; Joseph Trung Minh Hoang

**Carrying Severe Illness:** Mely Siasat; Patricia Thomas; Joseph Chaina; Elizabeth Pizzuto; John Thomas; James Misingongo; Mary Angela Thomas; Marie Thompson; Falakiko Sevelo Kama; George Clavijo; Teresa Mazzeo; Patricia Walsh; George Bugeja, Buena Ong. Fr. Kevin Hennessey, CP

**Other intentions:**





**Parish Collection 2/10/2022**

**First Collection \$1,225**

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 \$1,327**

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:



Please scan the QR code to be directed to our donations page

**Thank you for supporting St Brigid's Parish**

**Parish Calendar 2022**



**OCTOBER**

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
20th	Thur	7.00pm	Parish Finance Meeting
25th	Tue	7.00pm	Parish Pastoral Council
30th	Sun	10:30am	Mass of thanks and farewell for Fr. Thomas and Sr. Elena

**NOVEMBER**

1st	Tue	6.45pm 6.00pm	All Saint's Day Viet Mass
2nd	Wed	9.00am 6.00pm 7.00pm	All Soul's Day Viet Mass English Mass
4th	Fri	7.30pm	Men's Club
7th	Mon	6.30pm	Bereavement meeting
8th	Tues	7:00pm	Liturgy Meeting
10th	Thur	7.00pm	PFC Meeting



**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); 4.00pm (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. 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 .

**Sunday Mass Liturgical Ministries Roster**

	Lectors/Commentators		Communion Ministers		Acolytes / Altar Servers		Collector In-charge
	15/16 Oct	22/23 Oct	15/16 Oct	22/23 Oct	15/16 Oct	22/23 Oct	
Saturday 5:00pm	Michael P Kelelia A	Liz Buchel Michael S.	M. Dillon Vinh Nguyen Thu Hoang Ofa Tupola	M. Dillon Vinh Nguyen Michael Price Carole Price	M. Dillon Vinh N. Sophia N.	M. Dillon Vinh N. Sophia N.	Jim Yeo Michael P.
Sunday 8:00am	Mary Leask Joseph F.	Margaret H. Jan Rego	Dennis M. Vinh Nguyen Francis S. Margaret K Thu Hoang	Dennis M. Vinh Nguyen Francis S. Margaret K	D. Maher Vihn N. Agustine E.Luca G. Antonella G	D. Maher Luca G. Antonella G Vihn N.	Peter H. Maria M.
Sunday 10:30am	Separate Roster	Dana T. Dania Perin Frank C	Albert N. Anthony N Angie C. Peter Jennings	Albert N. Anthony N Priests	Albert N Anthony N	Albert N. Anthony N	Tony C. Giuseppe S
Sunday 6:00pm	Adrienne H. John Skinner	Young Adult	Tony Hayek Michael Ward Jackie K. Arthur K.	Tony Hayek Adrienne H Jackie K Arthur K	Tony H. Charlene E. Celina E. Alexis H	Tony H. Charlene E. Celina E. Alexis H.	Arthur K. Jackie K