



St Brigid's Marrickville

In the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, Australia

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One Family, Alive in Christ

We stand at the Crossroads of life for many people

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR A

18th December 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

Dear brothers sisters and friends in the Passionist family,

Parishes, business, colleges and schools all take time during these Advent days to say "Thank You" for the year past and all that has been done and shared. There are gatherings, drinks, meals - people taking time to say "Thank you for everything". Simple expressions of gratitude are all most of us need to feel appreciated.

In a parish, there are so many to be thanked, and any attempt to list or mention people or groups by name always mean some get accidentally missed.

It is impossible to mention, sometimes to just remember, the many, many actors of kindness, thoughtfulness, generosity, self sacrifice and good-will. In saying "Thanks", the smallest act we remember is as important as the largest and grandest. The 'widow's mite' and the wealthiest donation.

All these acts and expressions of kindness bundled up make our St Brigid's parish the wonderful family, the welcoming community, the prayerful congregation that we are.

For in all of this we remember those precious words of Jesus: "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am in the midst of them". The presence of Jesus, in those who give, in those who receive, this is the true gift at the heart of all the giving.

Next weekend, there will be gifts galore, under the Christmas tree, given to one another. Those gifts, big and small, give expression to the love and

appreciation we have for each other.

One of those gifts that we in the parish can offer is our Christmas Mass itself. Each mass on Christmas Day is offered for the intentions of you, the parishioners, and in memory of the deceased parishioners of St Brigid's.

As we remember so many and so much this Christmas, let us remember Fr Erick, Fr Thomas Thanh and Sr Elena whose Christmases in Melbourne, Manila and Saigon will be filled also with memories of Christmases here with us.

Kind regards

Tom cp



Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve - Saturday 24th

6.00pm - Christmas Pageant

Livestreamed

11.30pm - Carols

Midnight Mass - Livestreamed

NB: No morning Mass

Christmas Day - Sunday 25th

8.00am - English Mass

10.30am - Christmas Pageant,

Livestreamed

NB: No evening Mass

Boxing Day - Monday 26th

9.00am

Reconciliation: Saturday 24th - 4.30pm



Free Audio Tour of the Passionist Saints



What better way to celebrate the Centenary of the Passionists - Holy Spirit Province, than with a Free Audio Tour of our Passionist Saints! Narrated by Fr. Tom McDonough and Mr. Jim Yeo, this 15 minute walking audio tour provides prayerful and interesting insights into our Passionists Saints.

Hover your smartphone camera over the QR code located at the front of the St. Joseph's Chapel. Then follow the link to the audiocast. Move through the tour as you gaze at the images and holy relics of each Saint.

Please turn your phone to low volume or use earphones. Please avoid completing the tour during Mass or other formal occasions. Thank you and Happy Centenary - Holy Spirit Province!



St. Brigid's Parish Advent Program 2022

So they went and saw where he was staying (John 1:39)

Please join our final Passionist Family Advent Reflection

Monday 19th December, 7:00 - 8:00pm
in the St. Joseph Chapel at the front of the Church. Theme - 'The Annunciation'

Mass Texts: Fourth Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Is 7:10-14

The virgin will conceive



Response:

Let the Lord enter, he is king of glory

Second Reading: Rom 1:1-7

Jesus Christ, a descendant of David, is the Son of God

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

A virgin will give birth to a son; his name will be Emmanuel: God is with us. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mt 1:18-24

Jesus was born of Mary, the betrothed of Joseph, a son of David.

Piety Store

The Catholic Columban calendar's are available at \$10 each.

Also small baby Jesus statue, Bibles, and Baptism candles and stoles.

INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC



- ◆ 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 Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm in the Parish Office.

If you are interested, please email Sr. Rosana at rosana@stbrigid.org.au



Home Visit for the Sick & Homebound

If you are unable to attend Reconciliation or Mass for Christmas please contact the parish office and we will organize a home visit.



There will be no livestreaming over the Christmas break. Livestreaming will return on the 7th January

The Catholic Weekly

PULPIT POINTS 18 December 2022

- *SPECIAL WRAP AROUND Go Make Disciples: Two year anniversary.*
- *Christmas at the Cathedral*
- *Beloved Bishop retires*
- *Marist Milestone*
- *It's not just about sex*
- *More equal than others*



Only \$2.00 at the church doors

The Annunciation by Nicolas Poussin



Share joy this Christmas with a gift that can change a life

If you would like to give the gift of hope this Christmas, why not buy a Global Gift? Global Gifts are Caritas Australia's charitable Christmas cards. The funds raised from these cards go towards supporting vulnerable communities around the globe, including right here in Australia.

Whether you purchase your Global Gift for a family member or friend, each gift reflects real items that will help assist the world's most vulnerable people in their fight against poverty and injustice.

This Christmas, please consider buying a gift that changes lives.

Visit www.globalgifts.org.au or call 1800 024 413 toll free to browse our range of Global Gifts cards today.

Christmas at the Cathedral

Festivities begin at 7pm with Christmas market stalls, food, fun activities for the kids and live entertainment.

The signature light show of Christmas art will be projected onto the cathedral at 8:30pm until the 25th December

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



Recently Deceased: Anne Callaghan, Manuel De Abreu, Kathleen Jacobson, Talanoa Lemoto Fenukitau

Death Anniversaries: Pietro Bacchetto, Peter Opack, Helen DeBono, Falaniko Tugia Lafo, Joseph Lahood, Concetta Pirrello, Youssef & Nazha Ghosen, Anna Hoang, Thi Thoan, Edwin (Teddy) Edwards, Sigrid Piedad, Teresa Jennings, Hannah El-Lakiss Farah, Vincenzo Lipari, Jackie Longley, Domenico Nguyen Van An, Br Rupert fms, Francisco Caires, Netty Too, Maria Do Thi Bui, Antonia Cabida, Maria Nguyen Thi Thao, Fr Timothy O'Toole cp, Clare Fuller

Carrying Severe Illness: Elizabeth Pizzuto, John Thomas, James Misingongo, Mary Angela Thomas, Marie Thompson, Falakiko Sevelo Kama, George Clavigo, Buena Ong, Paul Darbyshire, Georgette Khoury, Teresa Faborito Mazzeo

Other intentions: Fatima Pereira, Wendy Lamb



Parish Collection 11/12/2022

First Collection \$1,380.00

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.

Second Collection \$2,088.50

The Second collection, which includes our Planned Giving program, is for the Parish. It supports the maintenance and costs in running the parish.



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

Thank you for supporting St Brigid's Parish



Parish Calendar 2022



DECEMBER

18th	Sun	2.00pm	Senior's Group
25th	Sun		Christmas Day
26th	Mon	9.00am	Boxing Day
27th	Tue	6.45am	Mass
31st	Sat		New Year's Eve

Parish Office Closed: 23rd December to 9th January



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**
Reconciliation: 4.30pm. Mass: 5.00pm (Live-streamed) & 6.30pm (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
	17/18 Dec	24/25 Dec	17/18 Dec	24/25 Dec	17/18 Dec	24/25 Dec	
Saturday 5:00pm	1st: Jim Y C: Gabriele B	1st: Liz B C: Michael S	M. Dillon Vinh N Carole P Michael P Paul C	M. Dillon Vinh N Shelly H Ofa T Gabriele B	M. Dillon Vinh N. Sophia N.	M. Dillon Vinh N. Sophia N.	Jim Yeo Michael P.
Sunday 8:00am	Mary L Marco G Esther G	Jan R Joseph F	Dennis M Vinh N F. Seufale Margaret K	Dennis M Vinh N F. Seufale Margaret K	Dennis M Vihn N. Agustine E. Luca G. Antonella G	Dennis M. Vihn N. Agustine E.	Peter H. Maria M.
Sunday 10:30am	Tanya H Italian Reader Rosetta N	Angie C Italian Reader Frank C	Albert N Anthony N John Mc Joanne Mc	Albert N Anthony N Maria B Terry R	Albert N Anthony N	Albert N Anthony N	Tony C. Giuseppe S
Sunday 6:00pm	Arthur K Pedro M	Young Adults	Tony H Arthur K Jackie K John S	Tony H Arthur K Kristen R Jackie K	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 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.