



St Brigid's Marrickville

In the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, Australia

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We stand at the Crossroads of life for many people

MOST HOLY TRINITY

30 May 2021

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

OVERFLOWING GOODNESS AND LOVE

One of the most fascinating things about being alive is the other people in our lives. Just as fascinating is the fact that the more we know them, the more there is still to know. It's only bit by bit that they can revel and rejoice in all the different and charming things about the other.

It's the same with our knowledge and love of God – of God as Father, of God as Son, and of God as Holy Spirit. There are at least three ways of delving into the Mystery of the Trinity. One is by searching for how something that is one can also be three. In this approach, it might help to compare the Trinity to a tree. The Father is like the trunk of the one tree, the Son is like a branch of the same tree, and the Spirit is like the fruit that the same tree produces. Or we might compare the Father to the sun in the sky, the Son of God to its rays, and the Spirit to its heat.

Another approach is to concentrate more directly on the relationship of the Trinity to us. The first thing that has to be said about this is that strictly speaking, God is self sufficient. In the interpersonal relationships that have existed forever among Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, God has been completely and perfectly happy and satisfied. But it is God's overflowing goodness that has led God to create us human beings in God's image and likeness. It is God's overflowing goodness that has led God's Son to become a human being like us and live his life for others. It is God's overflowing goodness that has led God to give us our beautiful world to both preserve and develop in a harmonious balance. And it is God's overflowing goodness that has led God to destine us for everlasting life with God on the other side of this life.

The other thing that needs to be said is that the interpersonal relationships of our three-in-one God show

us that to be a person we need other people in our lives, other people to love us, and other people for us to love. challenge and comfort us. This is particularly so for people placed in solitary confinement. I read a while back about a certain prison ward. The prisoners were given enough to eat. But they were not allowed to talk to each other. They were not allowed to work together because work leads to contact and conversation. And of course, they were never allowed even one visitor. After months of this cruel treatment, there was not a single prisoner with even a skerrick left of self esteem or self-confidence. More recently an Australian government minister is proposing to take away their phones from asylum-seekers. Imagine what that will do to their sense of isolation and abandonment!

I hope and pray that none of us here will ever feel so isolated or alone, and especially when we have to face that particular human experience, which no one else can face for us - our death. What happens on the other side of that experience? Our faith tells us, that whatever else there will be, we will enjoy the company of other human beings. And much more than that, on the other side of our death God will be waiting for us. The God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The God who has made us. The God who has loved us and understood us. The God who has forgiven us and kept us going.

This is what we are celebrating in our feast of the Trinity. This is why we are giving praise and thanks to God in prayer today. Because God is not alone. Because we are not alone, and never will be. And so let us pray together and mean every word we say: *'Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.'*

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FIRST COMMUNION AT ST BRIGID'S 29-30 May 2021

**Congratulations to our Candidates
who come to the table for the first time
this weekend!**

Saturday 5.00pm:

Mia Marino; Charlotte-Rose Gamboa ;
Zoe Arione Paige Dizon ; Chloe Rigby
Holly Rose Browntree; Sophia Tolentino;
Maeve Shannon; Moss Giovannoni
Antonella Geretto; Jasmine Yepez
Daniella De Oliveira; Sebastian Mansour
Emily Balk Chloe Balk

Sunday 10.30am

Roko Tiler; Romeo Tiler
Felipe Gallardo Goddard; Joel Mak
Nathaniel Shane Clarke; Rhiana Yzabelle Valera
Anatalia Ruiz Douglas; Jasmine Riz Douglas
Akirah Bansil; Hugh McDonald
Dylan Rowling; Gabrielle Kristine Liy
Alessandro Felice; Mariana Tsakalos
Taunga Tupou; Charlie Tupou
Rafael Luis Theodoridis Ribeiro

Plenary Council Update

Parish Ambassadors are gathering on 3 July 2021.
How can YOU be involved in the Plenary Council?

- * Pray the Plenary Prayer from Pentecost until the Assembly.
- Visit the Plenary Council website, especially Fan the Flame site:
www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthe flame
- View the videos produced by the working group led by Bishop Brady: <https://www.sydneycatholic.org/about-us/plenary-council-2020/#Plenary-Council-Assembly-October-2021>

Help Wanted

Anybody who remembers the late TERZA EFRAM , formerly a regular parishioner at St Brigid's, is asked to contact Fr Erick CP or the Parish Office as soon as possible please.

St Brigid's Piety Store

New range of statues including St Joseph in (the year of St Joseph) and Divine Mercy. A variety of St Benedict rosary beads and Baptism candles available now at the Piety Store at very reasonable prices. Credit Card facility available.

COVID—19 UPDATE as at 5.00pm Friday 7 May until midnight Sunday 16 May 2021 NSW Health Directives

The **MAXIMUM** attendance at any celebration at St Brigid's, including **weddings, baptisms and funerals**, is now **350 people** .

Families can sit together but if not from the same household, must observe 1-5m social distancing, including when lining up for communion. Facemasks are strongly recommended.

QR codes are now compulsory when entering the church. If unable to use a QR code, sign up forms are available at point of entry.

Open Day at Eileen's Place: Sunday 6 June 2021

To mark the Centenary of the death of Servant of God, **Eileen O'Connor**, Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor are opening up Eileen's Place each month at 35 Dudley St Coogee. Next Open Day is Sunday 6 June 2021 from **10.45am-1.00pm (including Mass)**. Enquiries/Registration: <https://eileenconnor.au/open-days>

Desert Wisdom for Daily Living

Online Winter Retreat through the wisdom teachings of Jesus, the teachings of the Desert mothers and fathers of the 4th century and other early and late wisdom teachers. Commences 6 June 2021.

Led by Sr Magdalen osb. Retreat programme fee: \$200. (pensioners half price). Enquiries/Registration: <https://www.jaamberoobbbey.org.au-Retreats-DesertWisdomOnlineRetreat>

Private Prayer at St Brigid's

St Brigid's Church is open from 7-8.00pm each Monday evening for private prayer and reflection in the Pieta Chapel, including Exposition, Adoration, Divine Mercy Chalet and Novena of Our Lady of Sorrows.

Under COVID regulations, please sign in as you enter the side door to the chapel.

Healing Mass

Friday 4 June 2021 with Fr Tony Alex MGL at St Joseph's Enfield. Rosary: 7pm; Mass at 8.00pm. Enquiries: 0412 115 961

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 Safeguarding enquiries @ sydneycatholic.org OR 9390 5810. You may also want to speak to your Parish Priest who will be able to provide support .

Information Directory

St Brigid's Primary School

9558 6926

Casimir Catholic College

9558 2888

Baptisms

Preparation: 1st Sundays 10am-11.30am
Presentation: 2nd Weekend of Baptism month
at Parish Masses

Baptisms: 3rd & 4th Sundays at 12.30pm

Marriages

Saturday: 10am—3.00pm
Preferably 6 months notice
Contact: Parish Secretary 8577 5670

Pastoral Ministry Contacts:

Adult Sacraments: Sr Elena
Bereavement Ministry: Sr Elenita/Michael Schiano
CCD in State Schools: Sr Elenita
Children's Sacraments: Sr Elenita
Ecumenical & Interfaith: Jim Yeo
Family Groups Contact: Adrienne/Jonathan Harverson
Finance C'tee: Adrienne Harverson
Justice & Peace Network: Peter Jennings
Liturgical Ministries: Mary Leask, Sr Elena
Maintenance C'tee: Michael Daher/Pongia Fenukitau
Media Ministry: Sr Elena/Pedro Moreira
Men's Club: Arthur Kassis; John Skinner, Mick Ward
Ministry of Care: Fr Dominic CP
Outreach Ministry: Dcn Christopher/Pauline Roach
Parish Safeguarding Support: Jim Yeo
Pastoral Council Co-chairs: Peter Jennings, Arthur Kassis.
Seniors' Group: John Freeman/Richard Gonsalves
Women's Spirituality Group: Paige Bullen/Pauline Roach
Young Adults: Katrina Fuller/Maria Fuller
Youth Ministry: Jenny Solo (on leave)

Parish Collection

23/5/2021

1st(Passionists): \$ 1,440
2nd (Parish): \$ 3,424
Cash & Envelopes: \$ 2,308
Credit Cards: \$ 1,116

16/5/2021

1st (Passionists) : \$ 1,415
2nd (Parish): \$ 4,328

Calendar

May 2021

29/30 MOST HOLY TRINITY
First Communion at 5pm (Saturday)
10.30am and 6.00pm (Sunday)

June 2021

1 First Communion Reflection Night (2)
(Hall and Church) :6-8.00pm

5/6 CORPUS CHRISTI
First Communion at 5pm (Saturday)
10.30am and 6.00pm (Sunday)

6 Baptism Preparation: 10am Annexe

8 Outreach Committee

11 Sacred Heart of Jesus

12/13 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13 Feast of St Anthony

14 Public Holiday: 9am Mass

16 Maintenance Committee

18 Casimir College Founders' Day

Recently deceased: Joao Marques

Anniversaries : Amy Alice Cloran; Br Jeff Daly CP; Anna Hoang Thi Ngan; William Edwards; Annie Collins; Elizabeth Matthews; Joy Matthews; Antonia Farrugia; Vilma Vella.

Carrying Severe Illness: Renato Di Perna; Mely Siasat; Juliana Cipolla; Giovanna Cipolla.

Mass Texts: Most Holy Trinity 30/5/21

First Reading: Deut. 4:32-34.39-40
Response: Happy the people the Lord has chosen as his own
Second: Rom 8:14-17
Gospel: Matthew 28: 16-20
Intercessions Response: Lord, graciously hear Us

Mass Texts: Corpus Christi: 6/6/21

First Reading: Exodus 24: 3-8
Response: The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name
Second Reading: Heb 9: 11-15
Gospel: Mark 14:12-16.22-26
Intercessions Response: Lord, graciously hear us.

Liturgical Timetable

Mon—Wed—Fri: Benediction at 8.45am followed by **Mass at 9.00am.**
Tues and Thurs: **Mass at 6.45am**
Saturday: **Mass at 8:00am followed by Holy Rosary**
Public Hols: Mass 9.00am only
Saturday: Marriages 10-3 pm;
Reconciliation 4-30pm Mass:5 pm; & 7.00 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.
Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is offered after 9.00am Mass on First Friday of each month .



**Archdiocese of Sydney
Clergy Forum**

19/5/21

“Go, Make Disciples”

Deacon Christopher
Fr Erick CP
Fr Dominic CP
Sr Elizabeth Delaney
and
Bishop Terry Brady.

After an afternoon gathering centred on “Go, Make Disciples” and filled with historical and inspiring stories of the first priests to work in Australia, the group joined in a delicious dinner to appreciate the number of Jubilee celebrations this year among the Clergy of the Archdiocese.



Weekend Mass Ministries: Trinity Sunday & Corpus Christi

Lectors/Commentators

Communion Ministers

Acolytes/Altar Servers

Mass Time	29/30 May	5/6 June	29/30 May	5/6 June	29/30 May	5/6 June
5 pm Sat	First Communion Children	First Communion Children	Priest Priest Dn Christopher Philip Carolan Michael Dillon Liz Buchel	Priest Priest Dn Christopher Philip Carolan Michael Dillon Jim Yeo	Philip Carolan Michael Dillon Phoenix Kokontis Ava Moonen Tova Belanger Raquel Paulino	Philip Carolan Michael Dillon Phoenix Kokontis Ava Moonen Tova Belanger Raquel Paulino
8 am Sun	Margaret Turner Peter Jennings	Mary Leask Sabina Aunedi	Priest Dennis Maher Margaret Kelly Mary Leask	Priest Dennis Maher Peter Jennings Margaret Turner	Dennis Maher Amelia Wild	Dennis Maher Amelia Wild
10.30 am Sun	First Communion Children	First Communion Children	Priest Priest Dn Christopher Geoffrey lean Maria Barlow Angie Chaipocco	Priest Priest Dn Christopher Albert Naticchia Anthony Naticchia Melly Siasat	Geoffrey Lean Cristita Latu	Albert Naticchia Anthony Naticchia Albert Naticchia Jr Cristita Latu
6 pm Sun	Therese Skinner John Skinner	Pedro Moriera Diane Moreira	Priest Tony Hayek Arthur Kassis Jackie Kassis	Priest Tony Hayek Adrienne Harverson Michael Ward	Tony Hayek Alexis Hirang Amelia Papadopoulos Ava Moonen Charlene Elias Aiden Pestana Raquel Paulino	Tony Hayek Alexis Hirang Amelia Papadopoulos Ava Moonen Charlene Elias Aiden Pestana Raquel Paulino

If any of you is rostered and not available please contact the following:

- = Lector or commentator (Mary Leask on 0404 019 962 or Sr. Elena on 0447 637 064)
- = Communion Minister, Acolytes /Altar server (Sr. Elena on 0447 637 064)