



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

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

15th January, 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,

Christmas is officially over. For some, it is back to work, for some lucky others it is still a more relaxed holiday time.

We will begin taking down the two Christmas cribs and the Christmas decorations. As we 'put Christmas away' (though knowing Christ, Emmanuel, is always with us), we recognise the enormous debt we owe to so many who have made our Advent and Christmas 2022 once again so special.

We thank :

*The Liturgy Committee,
the choirs and musicians,
the PowerPoint designers & video makers,
those providing the art work,
the sound system and live-streaming operators,
the children in the pageants and their artistic directors and coaches,
the Young Beacons making their special Christmas gifts for the parish,
the magnificent Carols Festival organisers, performers, food stall operators,
the Christmas cribs craftsmen and church decorators,
the florists and flower arrangers,
the many readers & commentators,
the altar servers, acolytes, ushers & communion ministers, offertory and prayer of the faithful people, counters,
the priests and Deacon Chris who celebrated and concelebrated the masses,
the Advent reflection facilitators,
Santa,
the parish office team looking after rosters,*

planning, liturgy books, bulletins, phones and shopping, maintenance and church cleaning, professional standards and risk management officers.

And apologies for anything or anyone missed

Amazing, isn't it, how much goes into organising our special Parish celebrations. And coming up soon will be the Parish Feast of St Brigid, and then Ash Wednesday, Lent and advanced preparations for Holy Week and Easter, and we will be underway again.

Our Parish team has had a quieter time these last weeks, as I hope many of you have also. But a big year as always coming up.

In my other role as Provincial of our Holy Spirit Province, I have to attend certain meetings of our Congregation in Asia Pacific and make official visits to our Passionist communities in our four countries. Post-COVID, I have to catch up on a number of such official visits that were postponed over the last two years. And everyone wanted to hold these meetings now !!!!! So I hope, you will forgive my absence from the parish for some coming functions. If away, I am always able to be contacted through the Parish Office.

*Kind regards
Tom cp*

*Thank
you* 

LETTER FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

It is with great sadness that I inform you that His Eminence George Cardinal Pell passed away earlier this morning (10th January) in Rome. He was 81 years of age. I know this will come as a shock to all of us.

He was ordained to the priesthood on 16th December 1966 and appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Melbourne in 1987 and later served as the seventh Archbishop of Melbourne from 1996-2001. He was then appointed the eighth Archbishop of Sydney, where he successfully led the bid for Sydney to host World Youth Day in 2008. He was made Cardinal Priest of Santa Maria Domenica Mazzarello by Pope St John Paul II in 2003 and, from 2014, served as Prefect for the Secretariat for the Economy.

Please join me in praying for the repose of his soul, and for comfort and consolation for his family.

May the Cardinal now enter the fullness of eternal life.

St. Brigid's Young Beacons Parents and Families



St. Brigid's Feast Day Preparation

Calling all St. Brigid's Young Beacons and Families
We need your help to prepare for the Special Occasion of the Feast of St. Brigid.

WHEN: Sunday 5th February after 10:30 am Mass

WHERE: In the Monastery

ACTIVITY DETAILS:

Prayer, Morning Tea (please bring something to share if you can). We will add some more paper squares to our St. Brigid's Cloak and we will also complete an additional craft activity.



RSVP: christopher@stbrigid.org.au

St. Brigid's Outreach AOK – Acts of Kindness Community Outreach

You are invited to join us in serving people in need at Woolloomooloo.

When: 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month.
Leaving around 5:00pm from Shrublands Hall.
Serving the homeless starts at 6:00pm and finishes around 7:15pm, return to Shrublands hall at approximately 7:30pm.
Transport provided to and from Shrublands hall.
Spaces are limited to 4 people per session.

RSVP: outreach@stbrigid.org.au

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

Piety Store

The Catholic Columban calendars for 2023 still available.
Weather statues of Our Lady of Fatima in all sizes.
Come visit!!

ABOUT

In this retreat we will be pondering the values of Silence, Listening, Reverence and Community, all three of which are integral to both Aboriginal Spirituality and Benedictine Spirituality. In bringing this retreat to you we are stretching out our hands in friendship toward each other - honouring both ways and striving to live in harmony and peace. We hope you will join us.

DATE

Retreat begins February 12th 2023
All videos and texts will be available on our website for as long as you need access.

DETAILS

There are 6 conferences in this retreat plus a video recorded conversation between Theresa and Sr Antonia at the end of the retreat. There will be one conference each Sunday as well as questions for reflection.

COST

The cost of the retreat is \$500.
If there is a problem with the cost please do not hesitate to contact us.

CONTACT Register online at: jamberooabbey.org.au/retreats/online-retreats
You will also find many other online retreats on our website.

We are increasingly recognising and accepting, respecting and celebrating, our cultural diversity. Julie Bishop

Parish Collection 20/11/2022

First Collection \$1,265.00

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 \$2,140.60

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 administration costs in running the parish. This collection goes towards our building maintenance costs, including insurance, utilities, cleaning & rubbish removal.

*Thank you for supporting
St Brigid's Parish*



HOLY SPIRIT PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND AND/OR ITALY (28th August - 19th September, 2023):

Caesarea Maritime, Haifa; Mt Carmel; Nazareth Village; Basilica of Annunciation; Masada, Mount of Beatitudes, Tabgha, Mensa Christi, Capernaum, Sea Of Galilee, River Jordan (Yardenit); Cana of Galilee, Local Winery, Mt Tabor, Mt of Temptation, Caesarea Philippi; Mt Olives, Pater Noster, Chapel of Ascension, Garden of Gethsemane, Blessed Virgin Mary's Tomb, Mount Zion, Bethany & Bethphage; Old City, Wailing Wall, Pool of Bethesda, Antonia Fortress, Via Dolorosa, Mount Calvary, Cenacle, St Peter in Gallicantu; Basilica of Nativity, Shepherds' Field, Ein Karem; Turin, Milan, Verona, Padua, Venice, Florence, Assisi, Loretto, Lanciano, Manoppelo, Rome.

CONTACT-US-ASAP for details:
Fr Emmanuel tv (Spiritual Director):
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Coordinators: Dax: 0420643949; and Didith: 0473246029.

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

World Youth Day Lisbon 2023

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney invites you to join millions of young pilgrims from around the world to the next World Youth Day, which will be held in Lisbon, Portugal in August 2023.

WYD is a pilgrimage, a celebration, an expression of the universal Church and an incredible time of evangelization for the youth of the world.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, in partnership with Harvest Journeys, are offering THREE incredible pilgrimage options for you to choose from, to make your WYD experience a truly memorable and possibly even a life-changing one!

Option 1: Portugal Direct

Journey directly to the heart of Spain and onto the medieval walled city of Avila in honour of St Teresa. Then join the youth of the world in Lisbon for the 16th International World Youth Day – for a week of prayer, worship, and celebration, in the company of Pope Francis. Following the excitement of the WYD Week, we depart for the tranquility and relaxation of our Post WYD Retreat in the Fatima area.

Option 2: Footsteps of Jesus

Watch the Gospels come alive on this most authentic faith journey live on location in the Holy Land of Israel. Take the chronological road of Jesus' life from Bethlehem to Nazareth and Lake Galilee to Jerusalem. Continue on into the heart and soul of Portugal to join Pope Francis for the 16th International World Youth Day in Lisbon for an unforgettable week of prayer, worship and celebration.

Option 3: WYD Portugal Via Italy

Embark on this journey of a lifetime as we unearth the spiritual treasures of Italy while befriending St Anthony, St Catherine, St Francis and his mission to 'Go rebuild my Church'. Be inspired by these holy men and women as we follow their paths etched into our faith heritage. Be prepared then for a week of faith, friendship and celebration as we open our lives to amazing possibilities flowing from the WYD encounter in Lisbon.

For more information or to register your interest please visit
info@sydneycatholicyouth.org



Marrickville Blood Donor Centre
Now at Level 1, 76a Edinburgh
Road, across from Marrickville
Metro. Open 7 days

St Thomas' Willoughby Antioch 40 years Reunion.
Spread the word. 21st January 2023
Info: willoughbyantioch@gmail.com

Recently Deceased: Cardinal George Pell, Br. Stan Tyler CP, Cecilia Amato

Death Anniversaries: Domenico Di Marino, Phero Pham Cong Quan, Penitiketo Fainu, Emanuel Frendo, Joan Herbert, John Ah Hai Tan, John Katter, Halim Lakiss, Sr Carmel Anne Fittler osu., Fr Alex Schemlei, Lionel Dowling, Beatriz Bel, Amal Faraj, Peter Tuong The Nguyen, Leslie Devine, Peter Kelly, Fouad Tannous Kareh, Therese Sippel, Paul Lowe, Mary Ellen Bell

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, Fr Thomas Thanh, Santa Battaglia, Maria Guilfoyle

Mass Texts: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Is 49:3, 5-6

I will make you t light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

Response:

Here I am. Lord; I come to do your will.

Second Reading: 1 Cor 1:1-3

The grace and peace of God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ will be with you

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God. Alleluia!

Gospel: Jn 1:29-34

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Parish Calendar 2023

January

15th Sun 12.00pm Feast of St Nino
 15th Sun 1.30pm Senior's Group
 22nd Sun 4.00pm Viet New Year Mass
 23/24 6.00pm Viet New Year Mass
 26th Mon 9.00am Australia Day

February

2nd Thur 7.00pm Parish Finance Meeting
 3rd Fri 7.30pm Men's Club
 6th Mon 6.30pm Bereavement Meeting
 7th Tue 7.00pm Outreach Meeting
 12th Sun 10.30am St Brigid's Feast Day
 15th Wed 7.00pm Reconciliation Parent Information night
 19th Sun 1.30pm Senior's Group
 22nd Wed 9am & 7pm Ash Wednesday
 28th Thur 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**
 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
	14/15 Jan	21/22 Jan	14/15 Jan	21/22 Jan	14/15 Jan	21/22 Jan	
Saturday 5:00pm	1st: Jim Y C: Gabriele B	Com: Pat O'R Lect: Laura N	M. Dillon Vinh N Carole P Michael P Paul C	M. Dillon Vinh N Shelley 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	Com: Peter J Lect: Sue King	Dennis M Vinh N F. Seufale Margaret K	Dennis M Vinh N F. Seufale Margaret K	Dennis M. Vihn N. Agustine E.	Dennis M. Vihn N. Agustine E.	Peter H. Maria M.
Sunday 10:30am	Tanya H Italian Reader Rosetta N	Com: Terry R Lect: John M Ital: Rosetta N	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	Com: Robert G Lect: Dianne M	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.