

# St Brigid's Marrickville

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#### **Parish Team:**

Fr Tom McDonough CP Sr Elenita Flores CP Fr Wilbard Sambati CP Sr Rosana Estoque CP Dcn Joseph Sy Ho Doan CP Elena (Len) Di Perna Mona El-Khoury

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# One Family, Alive in Christ

We stand at the Crossroads of life for many people.

# The EPIPHANY of the LORD - Year B

7th January, 2024

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.

# **Pastoral Ministry Contacts**

#### **Adult Sacraments:**

Sr. Rosana

#### **Bereavement Ministry:**

Sr Elenita/Michael Schiano

#### **CCD** in State Schools:

Sr Elenita

#### **Children's Sacraments:**

Sr Elenita

### **Ecumenical & Interfaith:**

Jim Yeo

# Family Group:

Adrienne & Jonathan

Harverson

### Justice & Peace Network:

Peter Jennings

# Liturgy C'tee:

Sr. Rosana

### Maintenance C'tee:

Michael Daher/Pongia

Fenukitau

#### Men's Club:

Arthur Kassis, John Skinner,

Mick Ward

# **Ministry of Care:**

Fr Kien CP

### Safeguarding Officer:

Jim Yeo

#### Seniors' Group:

John Freeman/Richard Gonsalves

# Youth & Young Beacons

Jenny Solo &

Kristen Roehrig

Dear sisters, brothers and friends in the Parish Family,

A Happy New Year to all in the parish for 2024, and the prayers and best wishes of the Parish Team to you and your families. Whatever this New Year brings, may it be better, brighter, hopeful, and filled with blessings for us all. Let's look forward to it.

On Monday, our Parish Office re-opens after the Christmas break. However, our church's Christmas time continues through this weekend's feast of the 3 Kings arriving at Bethlehem to adore the Saviour and will conclude next weekend with the feast of the Baptism of Jesus.

I hope for all these last days of holidays and Christmas celebrations have been refreshing and relaxing.

As the first bulletin since Christmas, the parish team would like to thank everyone - so many, many people - whose efforts, work and generosity made this Christmas something so special. Laughing and excited children, prayers and reflections, Christmas cribs, choirs and carols, 3 Baby Jesus', Santa and Silent Night, and so much more.

Christmas at St Brigid's, our masses and celebrations, were, as always, something to treasure and remember.

There have been sadnesses also over these last days. The passing of a number of our wonderful parishioners of many, many years. Coming Christmases will always be different now for those families, and our prayers are with them.

Life will not settle properly back into its regular rhythm for another few weeks. So, for those lucky enough for holiday time to continue, may the coming week(s) be safe and energising. May our uncertain weather become sunnier and more like summers we remember.

May 2024 be a good year for us all!

Kind regards

Tom cp





# Mass Texts: The Epiphany of the Lord

First Reading: Is 60:1-6

The glory of the Lord shines upon you.

Response: Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 10-13

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Second Reading: Eph 3:2-3, 5-6

The revelation means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body.

**Gospel Acclamation:** 

R. Alleluia, alleluia! We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord. Alleluia!

**Gospel: Mt 2:1-12** 

We have come from the East to worship the king.



# **PARISH CALENDAR 2024**

#### **JANUARY**

8th	Mon	9.30am	Parish Office reopens
14th	Sun	12.00pm	Baptisms
21st	Sun	12.00pm	St Niño
23rd	Tue	7.00pm	PPC meeting
26th	Fri	9.00am	Australia Day
28th	Sun	12.00pm	Baptisms

### **FEBRUARY**

lst	Thur		St Brigid Feast Day
		7.00pm	PFC meeting
4th	Sun		Catechist Sunday
11th	Sun	12.00pm	Baptisms
14th	Wed	9.00am	Ash Wednesday
		6.00pm	Vietnamese Mass
		7.30pm	Mass

# **Liturgical Timetable**

Mon - Wed - Fri: Adoration and Benediction at 8.45am followed by Mass at 9.00am and Rosary

Tues: Mass at 6:45am

**Thurs:** Mass at 6.45am followed by Rosary

Saturday: Mass at 8:00am followed by Holy Rosary

Reconciliation: 4.30pm. Mass: 5.00pm (Livestreamed) and 6.30pm (Vietnamese)

Sunday: Mass at 8.00am | 10.30am (bilingual) | 4.00pm (Vietnamese) | 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 Mass.

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

Due to the holiday period, we have not rostered for this weekend. If you are a Lector/Commentator, Communion Minister or Acolyte/Altar Server and you can help at this weekends mass, please see Sr Rosana before mass.

George Cardinal Pell AC - 1 Year Memorial Mass All are welcome to attend the mass and pray at the Cardinal's tomb in the crypt. Wednesday, 10 January 2024 at 5:30 pm

St. Mary's Cathedral, Sydney

Recently Deceased: Beverley Hodder, George Bugeja, Rafael Gomes

<u>Death Anniversaries</u>: Evelyn Gilfellon, Bill Pearce, 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 ofm, Lionel Dowling, Beatriz Bel, Amal Faraj, Peter Tuong The Nguyen,

Carrying Severe Illness: Elizabeth Pizzuto, John Thomas, James Misi, Buena Ong, Phil Drew, Steven Para, Mary Angela Thomas, Lidia Obeid, George Clavigo, Huyen Nguyen, Georgette Khoury, John Love, Penelope Lincoln, Paul Darbyshire, Leonardo Sofi, Mely Siasat, Carmel King, Maria Caccamo, Roma & Michael Natoloczny, Fr Christopher Mithen CP, Sharon Micallef, Paul Massi, Laurice Sassine

Other intentions: Joe Farah, Josephine Farah, Wendy Lamb, Pam Desmond, Antonio Oliveiar



# **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 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.