

4 ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision.

A reading from the Book of Isaiah (55:10-11)
 Thus says the Lord: "For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and return not thither but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and prosper in the thing for which I sent it." **This is the Word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm: Some seed fell into good soil and yielded fruit.

You care for the earth, give it water, you fill it with riches. Your river in heaven brims over to provide its grain. **R./**

And thus you provide for the earth; you drench its furrows, you level it, soften it with showers, you bless its growth. **R./**

You crown the year with your goodness. Abundance flows in your steps, in the pastures of the wilderness it flows. **R./**

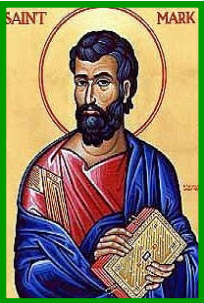
The hills are girded with joy, the meadows covered with flocks, the valleys are decked with wheat. They shout for joy, yes, they sing. **R./**

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans (8:18-23) I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in travail together until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. **This is the Word of the Lord.**

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me. **Alleluia!** (Mt 11:25)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Matthew (13:1-23)

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. And great crowds gathered about him, so that he got into a boat and sat there; and the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they had not much soil, and immediately they sprang up, since they had no depth of soil, but when the sun rose they were scorched; and since they had no root they withered away. Other seeds fell upon thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundred fold, some sixty, some thirty. He who has ears, let him hear." Then the disciples came and said to him, "Why do you speak to them in parables?" And he answered them, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been given. For to him who has will more be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand. With them indeed is fulfilled the prophecy of Isaiah which says: 'You shall indeed hear but never understand, and you shall indeed see but never perceive. For this people's heart has grown dull, and their ears are heavy of hearing, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should perceive with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and turn for me to heal them.' But blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear. Truly, I say to you, many prophets and righteous men longed to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it. "Hear then the parable of the sower. When any one hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in his heart; this is what was sown along the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet he has no root in himself, but endures for a while, and when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately he falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is he who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the delight in riches choke the word, and it proves unfruitful. As for what was sown on good soil, this is he who hears the word and understands it; he indeed bears fruit, and yields, in one case a hundred fold, in another sixty, and in another thirty." **Gospel of the Lord.**



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We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO HEAR:

In today's Gospel we hear of the parable of the sower and the many ways of receiving the seed, the Word of God. And so it is that there are those who receive it without depth (the seed on the path). There are those who receive it without fruits (the seed sown on rocky ground and among thorns). And finally, there are those who receive it with fruits (the seed on good soil). The seed is good. The sower is very generous. But the soil? It depends on us, the receivers of the seed. There are people who are always on the path and don't have much time to listen to the word of God. These are the people who are always on the go, and who have "more important" things to attend to than matters of the spirit and matters of the heart. People such as these don't have depth, and tend to be shallow soil. There are those who receive God's word joyfully, but soon after they wither because there are a lot of rocks in their lives. They are not really rooted in God but in worldly preoccupations. When trials, temptations and persecutions come, they dry up and die, precisely because they are not resilient. There are those who receive God's Word and really take root in it, but are choked by riches of this world and by the weeds of sin, and so they survive, but they really don't bear fruit. They just occupy space. Such people spend their whole lifetime vacillating, between goodness and evil, commitment and compromise, virtue and vice. People such as these tend to be rocky soil. But the soil can be good and can be enriched. The Word of God can produce a hundredfold harvest in each one of us, or can just wither and die depending on our openness and obedience. The saints and martyrs have shown to us that even in the most adverse conditions, the Word of God can come alive in a heart that is humble and contrite. God provides but we must abide. God operates but we must cooperate. Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and put it into practice.



BEATO CHI ASCOLTA:

Anche selezionata, la semente non basta: né la quantità, né la qualità possono garantire il raccolto, se non trova ad accoglierla un terreno adatto e fertile. La fecondità della Parola di Dio è legata alle intemperie del cuore dell'uomo. Che cosa è necessario per farla germogliare? 1) Che sia accolta con rettitudine e gioia. Il grano che cade sul sentiero non può in alcun modo svilupparsi, resta infecundo e diventa preda degli uccelli. Bisogna accogliere la Parola di Dio con cuore di fanciullo, senza riserve, senza pregiudizi. I nostri occhi, le nostre orecchie, il nostro cuore sono abbastanza aperti? "Beati gli occhi che vedono e le orecchie che intendono!" 2) Che sia coltivata con cura per giungere alla maturazione.

I rovi che soffocano la semente, l'orgoglio, l'egoismo, la pigrizia spirituale, l'attrattiva del lucro, sono tutte erbe dannose che infestano l'anima e che bisogna estirpare. Lo spirito di preghiera, la vigilanza, la generosità sono invece le disposizioni che bisogna acquistare, gli impegni da prendere affinché la divina semente possa spuntare, crescere, giungere a maturazione, senza essere soffocata o disseccata. 3) Che sia sparsa per mezzo nostro per produrre altre messi. Come quei granellini che, portati dal vento, vanno a germogliare lontano, così la semente evangelica deve propagarsi partendo dal nostro cuore, verso altri cuori. Volerla tenere come proprio possesso, la Parola di Dio è perduta; come la semente, essa non è fatta per restare in un angolo del granaio, ma per fecondare altri terreni, anzi tutta la terra. E' proprio questa la consegna data da Cristo: Andate e insegnate a tutte le nazioni. Siate miei testimoni in tutto il mondo. Infatti, beati quelli che ascoltano la Parola di Dio e la vivono ogni giorno.

<p>Entrance: JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE</p> <p>Joyful, joyful, we adore You, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flow'rs before You, Op'ning to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!</p> <p>Always giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest, Well-spring of the joy of living, Ocean-depth of happy rest! Loving Father, Christ our Brother, Let Your light upon us shine Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine.</p>	<p>Offertory: WE REMEMBER <i>We remember how you loved us to your death and still we celebrate, for you are with us here</i> And we believe that we will see you when you come, in your glory, Lord, we remember, we celebrate, we believe</p> <p>Now we recreate your love we bring the bread and wine to share a meal; Sign of grace and mercy, the presence of the Lord. (ref)</p> <p>See the face of Christ revealed in every person standing by your side; Gift to one another, and temples of your love. (ref)</p>	<p>Communion: <u>LOVE IS HIS WORD</u></p> <p>Love is His word, Love is His way, Feasting with all, fasting alone, Living and dying, rising again. Love only love is His way.</p> <p>Richer than gold is the love of my Lord. Better than splendour and wealth.</p> <p>Love is His way, love is His mark, Sharing His last Passover feast. Christ at the table, host to the twelve Love, only love, is His mark.</p> <p>Love is his mark, love is His sign, Bread for our strength, wine for our joy, "This is my body, this is my blood" Love, only love is His sign.</p> <p>Love is His sign, love is His news, "Do this" He said "Lest you forget All my deep sorrow, all my dear blood, Love, only love, is His news.</p> <p>Love is His news, Love is His name, We are His own, chosen and called, Family, brethren, cousins and kin. Love, only love is His name.</p> <p>Love is His name, love is His law, Hear His command, all who are His, "Love one another, I have loved you" Love, only love, is His law.</p> <p>Love is His law, Love is His word, Love of the Lord, Father, and Word, Love of the Spirit, God ever one, Love, only love, is His word.</p>	<p>Final: TAKE THE WORD OF GOD WITH YOU</p> <p>Take the word of God with you as you go. Take the seeds of God's word and make them grow.</p> <p>Go in peace to serve the world, in peace to serve the world.</p> <p>Take the love of God, the love of God with you as you go.</p> <p>Take the peace of God with you as you go. Take the seeds of God's peace and make them grow</p> <p>Take the joy of God with you as you go. Take the seeds of God's joy and make them grow.</p> <p>Take the love of God with you as you go. Take the seeds of God's love and make them grow.</p>
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Communion Antiphon: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord. (Jn 6:57)

CATHOLIC MISSION - PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH ANNUAL APPEAL
 took place in our parish last weekend.
 There are still envelopes available if you wish to make a donation. Thank you.

L'APPELLO ANNUALE PER LA DIFUSIONE DELLA FEDE
 si è svolto nella nostra parrocchia lo scorso weekend.
 Ci sono buste in chiesa per la vostra donazione. Grazie.






The Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo - Scalabrinians www.Scalabrini.org
 Ministering to the Parish and Migrants in St. Brigid since 1959

2 Liturgical Calendar and activities

Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/SABATO 12th July 2014 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year "A" (Vigil)	<i>"Blessed are your eyes, for they see, and your ears, for they hear".</i>		6.00pm PRO POPULO 7.00pm Spanish Mass	Baptism Celebrations for Ian MANCILLA ZULETA Congratulations! 
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 13th July 2014 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year "A"	<i>"Beati i vostri occhi perchè vedono e i vostri orecchi perchè ascoltano".</i>	8.30am Giovanni e Teresa D'ALESSANDRI Vincenzo e Caterina D'ALESSANDRI	9.45am Zefa NREKIC 11.00am Alfredo BERNAR Peter BILIC	
Monday / Lunedì 14th July 2014 Is 1: 10-17; Mt 10:34 - 11:1	<i>Responsorial Psalm To the upright I will show the saving power of God.</i>	8.00am	9.15am Francis CHAN	
Tuesday / Martedì 15th July 2014 St. Bonaventure, bishop Is 7: 1-9; Mt 11:20-24	<i>Responsorial Psalm. God upholds his city forever.</i>	8.00am In honour to St. Bonaventure	9.15am In honour to St. Bonaventure	
Wednesday / Mercoledì 16th July 2014 Is 10:5-7, 13-16; Mt 11: 25-27	<i>Responsorial Psalm. Il Signore non abbandona il suo popolo. The Lord will not abandon his people.</i>	8.00am	9.15am	Dopo la S. Messa delle 9.15am segue il Gruppo di Preghiera Carismatico
Thursday/ Giovedì 17th July 2014 Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Mt 11:28-30	<i>Responsorial Psalm From heaven the Lord looks down on the hearth.</i>	8.00am	9.15am	2.00pm Mass for Year 12 Simonds boys
Friday/ Venerdì 18th July 2014 Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12: 1-8	<i>Responsorial Psalm Spero in te, Signore, tu mi dai la vita. You saved my life, O Lord, I shall not die.</i>	8.00am	9.15am	

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL
 Next Wednesday 16th July 2014 - 10.30am Mass. Celebrant: Rev. Gerald O'Collins, SJ
 Next Sunday 20th July, 2014 - 3.00pm Mass Celebrant: Rev. Elton Fernandes, SJ
 Enrolment in the Brown Scapular will take place after these Masses
 Carmelite Monastery, 94 Stevenson Street, Kew.



Parish Community	Parish Office	Comunidad Pastoral De Habla Hispana	Comunidade Pastoral De Expressão Portuguesa	Filipino Pastoral Community
Parish Priest: Fr. Delmar Silva, CS Assistant Parish Priest & Migrant Chaplain to the Italian Community: Fr. Vito Pegolo, CS Tel: 0419 736 890	Monday to Friday 9.30am - 4.30pm Parish Secretary Giovanna Bellissimo Tel: (03) 9489-6777 Fax: (03) 9489-9926	Chaplain P. Luciano Toldo, CS Tel: (03) 9482-5362 Fax: (03) 9489-9926 Mob: 0411 206 858	Chaplain P. Luciano Toldo, CS Tel: 0419 392 343 Fax: (03) 9489-9926 Mob: 0410 001 462	Chaplain Fr. Joselito Asis Tel: (03) 9482-5349 Fax: (03) 9489-9926 Mob: 0404 261 228

3 Parish News... Notizie di casa nostra...

Liturgy of the Word 19th & 20th July 2014	6.00pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45am St. Brigid	11.00am St. Brigid	Offertory Procession	Special Ministers	Church Cleaning
I Reading	Volunteer	L. Murphy	M. O'Reilly	E. Mascia	N. Ieraci / G. Moretti	E. Mascia	D. Lauria
Responsorial Psalm	Volunteer	J. Perrett	J. Smith	L. Colosimo	J. Vaccari / Volunteer		
II Reading	Volunteer	L. Murphy	R. Kircher	M. Lauria	Colosimo Family		

Next Sunday 20th July 2014
 Here in St. Brigid's Church
2.00pm HOLY MASS FOR PEACE IN COLUMBIA (in Spanish)
 Everyone most welcome.
 Refreshments and entertainment will follow in the parish hall till 7.30pm.




Annual Anniversary Mass
 Sunday 27 July, 11am
 St Patrick's Cathedral,
 1 Cathedral Pl, East Melbourne.
 Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th-70th wedding anniversary this year? The Life, Marriage & Family Office invite you and your families to join us at the Annual Anniversary Mass. The Mass will be celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral by Archbishop Denis Hart. Couples who register will receive commemorative certificates and packs.
Contact: Life, Marriage & Family Office
 9287 5579 or lmf@cam.org.au.

PLEASE NOTE! - CONFIRMATIONS
 Sunday 3rd August. There will be only **ONE** combined mass in St. Brigid's Church at 10.30am.
 Main celebrant will be the **Vicar General Mgr. Greg Bennet.**

FEAST IN HONOUR TO THE SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD
 Organized by the Spanish Speaking Chaplaincy
Saturday 2nd August -St.Brigid's Church
 3.00pm Procession with the Statue
 3.45pm Celebration of the Holy Mass
 6.00pm Dinner Dance in the Parish Hall.
FESTA IN ONORE DEL SALVATORE DEL MONDO Organizzata dalla Cappellania di lingua Spagnola
Sabato 2 agosto nella chiesa di S. Brigida
 3.00pm Processione con la Statua
 3.45pm Celebrazione della Santa Messa
 6.00 pm Cena Danzante nella sala parrocchiale.




Book Launch: New Australian Editions by Archpriest Dr Lawrence Cross OAM and Colleagues. Monday 20 July, 12:30pm Join Apostolic Nuncio Archbishop Paul Gallagher and Professor Pauline Allen FAHA as they launch: Three books dedicated to the reconciliation of Orthodox and Catholic Christians.
Catholic Theological College, 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne
 RSVP: Wednesday 16 July **Contact:** Jill Allen 9412 3304 or jill.allen@ctc.edu.au

CatholicCare – Run Melbourne Sunday 27 July 2014
 CatholicCare invites you to join us in walking/running to raise funds for Melbourne's newly arrived refugees.
Where: Federation Square, Melbourne
Register: www.ccam.org.au/AboutUs1/Events1/RunMelbourne2014.aspx
Contact: Angela 9926 5722 or fundraising@ccam.org.au

St. Brigid & St. Mark Collections


1 Collection	\$ 510- 00
2 Collection	\$ 280 - 00
Envelopes	\$ 247 - 00

Canto D'ingresso:
BEATI QUELLI CHE ASCOLTANO
Beati quelli che ascoltano la Parola di Dio e la vivono ogni giorno.
 La tua Parola ha creato l'universo, tutta la terra ci parla di te, Signore.
Rit.:
 La tua Parola si è fatta uno di noi: mostraci il tuo volto, Signore.
Rit.:
 Tu sei il Cristo, la Parola di Dio vivente, che oggi parla al mondo con la Chiesa. **Rit.:**
 Parlaci della tua verità, Signore: Ci renderemo testimoni del tuo insegnamento. **Rit.:**



Canto D'Offertorio
O SIGNORE, NOI T'OFFRIAMO
 O Signore, noi t'offriamo Tutti insieme questo pane; è il frutto della terra e dell'uomo che lavora. Benedetto sia tu, Signore; questo pane che mangiamo è un dono del tuo amore è un segno di bontà.
 O Signore, noi t'offriamo Tutti insieme questo vino: è il frutto della vite e dell'uomo che lavora Benedetto sia tu, Signore; questo vino che beviamo è un dono del tuo amore è un segno di bontà.
 O Signore, noi t'offriamo tutto quello che ci hai dato: con il pane e con il vino tu accettalo, Signor. Benedetto sia tu, Signore; che divenga per noi cibo e bevanda di salvezza ciò che presentiamo a te.

Canto di Comunione
TI RINGRAZIO, O MIO SIGNORE
 Ti ringrazio, o mio Signore, per le cose che sono nel mondo, per la vita che tu mi hai donato, per l'amore che tu nutri per me.
Alleluia, O mio Signore!
Alleluia, O Dio del Cielo!
Alleluia, O mio Signore!
Alleluia, O Dio del Ciel!
 Come il pane che abbiamo spezzato Era sparso in grano sui colli, così unisci noi, sparsi nel mondo, in un Corpo che sia solo per te.
Rit.
 Quell'amore che unisce te al Padre Sia la forza che unisce i fratelli ed il mondo conosca la pace: la tua gioia regni sempre tra noi.
Rit.



Canto Finale
MIRA IL TUO POPOLO
 Mira il tuo popolo, o bella Signora, che pien di giubilo oggi t'onora. Anchio festevole corro ai tuoi pie'
O Santa Vergine, prega per me; O Santa Vergine, prega per me.
 Il pietosissimo tuo dolce cuore Porta e rifugio del peccatore. Tesori e grazie racchiude in sè.
O Santa Vergine, prega per me; O Santa Vergine, prega per me.
 In questa misera valle infelice, tutti t'invocano: Soccorritrice. Questo bel titolo conviene a te.
O Santa Vergine, prega per me; O Santa Vergine, prega per me.

