

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders, in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia (Ps 98:1-2).

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (9:26-31)

When Saul had come to Jerusalem he attempted to join the disciples; and they were all afraid of him, for they did not believe that he was a disciple. But Barnabas took him, and brought him to the apostles, and declared to them how on the road he had seen the Lord, who spoke to him, and how at Damascus he had preached boldly in the name of Jesus. So he went in and out among them at Jerusalem, preaching boldly in the name of the Lord. And he spoke and disputed against the Hellenists; but they were seeking to kill him. And when the brethren knew it, they brought him down to Caesarea, and sent him off to Tarsus. So the Church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was built up; and walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit it was multiplied. **This is the Word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm:

Response: You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.

My vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and shall have their fill. They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him. May their hearts live for ever and ever. **R/**

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord, all families of the nations worship before him. They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **R/**

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him. They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come, declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn: "These things the Lord has done". **R/**

A reading from the First Letter of St John (3:18-24) Little children, let us not love in word or speech but in deed and in truth. By this we shall know that we are of the truth, and reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us, for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who keep his commandments abide in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit which he has given us. **This is the Word of the Lord.**

Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. **Alleluia!** (Jn 15:4-5).

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St John (15:1-8)

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine dresser. Every branch of mine that bears no fruit, he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes that it may bear more fruit. You are already made clean by the word which I have spoken to you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. If a man does not abide in me, he is cast forth as a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be my disciples." **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Entrance:

Come with Praise

Refrain:

Come with Praise

People of God

Come with your hearts thanksgiving

Sing for joy, house of the Lord

Sing of your bounteous blessing.

Come you poor of the land
All who live with hearts of hunger
Come and taste the love of the Lord
And you will be filled. **(ref.)**

Come you captives of fear
All who bear the yoke of hatred
God has heard the cry of your soul
And broken your chains. **(ref.)**

Come you wounded and worn
All who know the face of sorrow
God will heal the pain of your heart
And gladden your soul. **(ref.)**

IT FEELS LIKE HOME' HIGH TEA

Saturday 16 May, 2-5pm

St Joseph's Home,

112B St Georges Rd, Northcote

The Little Sisters of the Poor invite you, family, friends and other supporters, to join us for High Tea. Cost. \$50
Details: Sr.Velonika 9489 8444

Offertory:

Bread for the World

Refrain

**Bread for the world:
a world of hunger.**

**Wine for all peoples:
people who thirst.**

**May we who eat
be bread for others.**

**May we who drink
pour out our love.**

Lord Jesus Christ,
you are the bread of life,
broken to reach
and heal the wounds
of human pain.

Where we divide your people,
you are waiting there
on bended knee
to wash our feet
with endless care.

Ref:

Lord Jesus Christ,
you are the wine of peace,
poured into hearts once broken
and where dryness sleeps.
Where we are tired and weary,
you are waiting there
to be the way which beckons us
beyond despair.

Communion

Unless a grain of wheat

Refrain

**Unless a grain of wheat shall
fall up-on the ground and die,
It remains but a single grain
with no life.**

If we have died with him,
then we shall live with him;
if we hold firm,
we shall reign with him.

If any one serves me,
then they must follow me;
wherever I am,
my servants will be.

Make your home in me
as I make mine in you;
those who remain in me
bear much fruit.

If you remain in me
and my word lives in you;
then you will be my disciples.

Those who love me
are loved by my Father;
we shall be with them
and dwell in them.

Peace I leave with you,
my peace I give to you;
peace which the world
can-not give is my gift.

Final:

Go Tell Everyone

God's spirit is in my heart
He has called me and set
me apart

This is what I have to do
What I have to do

Refrain:

**He sent me to give
the good news to the poor**

Tell prisoners that

they are prisoners no more

Tell blind people

that they can see,

And set the downtrodden free

And go tell everyone

The news that the kingdom

of God has come

And go tell everyone

The news that

God's kingdom has come

Just as the Father sent me

So I'm sending you out to be

My witnesses

throughout the world

The whole of the world **(Ref)**



Weekly Parish Newsletter

Bollettino Parrocchiale Settimanale

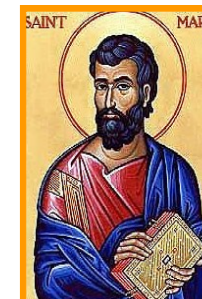
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We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand.

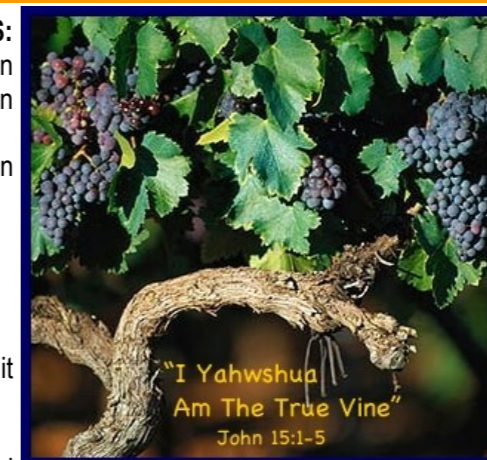
We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.

I AM THE VINE, YOU ARE THE BRANCHES:

Today, the Word of God invites us to remain in Jesus Christ. The way to do so is described in the second reading: "Those who keep his commandments remain in Him, and He in them". In the parable of the vine and the branches, the key word is "to remain".

Last Sunday, Jesus said: "I am the Good Shepherd". Today, He is telling us: "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower". Jesus identifies Himself as the true vine. But, it is not an isolated vine. Jesus adds: "I am the vine and you are the branches". We can say, therefore, that the link between the Master and

the disciples is like the one of the vine and the branches, strong and vital. This essential link goes beyond our ups and downs. The biblical symbol of the vine referring to the relationship between God and his people reappears here. With Jesus the vine is more inclusive and strong. There is a greater force: the very love of God. This love produces fruits of life to glorify the Father: "By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples". The Gospel continues: "He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit". United to Jesus, we are to be pruned. What is useless and unnecessary in us is cut off. We let go of the excess baggage in our life. The pruning is our self-purification so that we can be healthy and fruitful for the Lord. We become useless branches when we do not listen to Jesus. We do not bear fruit when we listen but not obey. We pay lip service but do not perform. Or we listen but, confronted with difficulties and trials, we give up. Our spiritual life is indeed a process, it is about growing in holiness, it is an itinerary. Pruning is necessary to purify our lives and to allow the sap of God's love to continually renew us. Jesus is our nourishment and our very life. Today, our Risen Lord repeats: "remain in me", "remain in the vine". This is the condition to produce fruit. Otherwise we will be cut off and burned. The Easter season reminds us that being a witness to the resurrection signifies giving life. Let us ask our loving God to help us to remain in Him and to produce many fruits.



IO SONO LA VITE, VOI I TRALCI: Oggi, la Parola di Dio sottolinea la necessità di "rimanere" in Gesù. Giovanni nella seconda lettera d'oggi ci dice come rimanere nel Signore: "Chi osserva i suoi comandamenti dimora in Dio ed egli in lui". Nella parabola della vite e i tralci la parole "rimanere" è il cuore della nostra meditazione.

La settimana scorsa abbiamo sentito da Gesù stesso: "Io sono il buon pastore". Oggi ci dice: "Io sono la vera vite e il Padre mio è il vignaiolo". Gesù si identifica con la vera vite. Ma non è una vite isolata. Gesù aggiunge: "io sono la vite e voi i tralci". Potremmo dire che il

legame dei discepoli con Gesù è appunto come quello della vite con i tralci, essenziale e forte. È un legame che va ben oltre i nostri alti e bassi, le nostre buone o cattive condizioni. L'antico segno biblico della vigna che parlava del rapporto fra Dio e il suo popolo riappare qui in tutta la sua forza. Con Gesù nasce una vigna più larga e più estesa della precedente e soprattutto percorsa da una nuova forza: l'amore stesso di Dio. La forza di questo amore è dirompente: permette di produrre molto frutto. Dice Gesù: "In questo è glorificato il Padre mio: che portiate molto frutto". Il Vangelo prosegue: "Ogni tralcio che porta frutto, lo pota perché porti più frutto". Sì, proprio quelli che "portano frutto", conoscono anche il momento della potatura. Sono quei tagli che di tempo in tempo, appunto come accade nella vita naturale, è necessario operare perché possiamo essere senza macchia. La vita spirituale è sempre un itinerario, una crescita. Ognuno di noi ha l'esperienza della crescita in se stesso di frutti buoni assieme a sentimenti cattivi, ad abitudini egoistiche, ad atteggiamenti freddi e violenti, a pensieri malevoli, a spinte di invidia e di orgoglio... È qui che si deve potare, e non una volta sola, perché sempre si ripresentano questi sentimenti, seppure in modi e con manifestazioni diverse. Non c'è età della vita che non esiga cambiamenti e correzioni, e quindi potature. Questi tagli, talora anche molto dolorosi, purificano la nostra vita e fanno scorrere con maggior freschezza la linfa dell'amore del Signore. Oggi, Gesù ripete: "rimanete in me", "rimanete nella vite". È la condizione per portare frutto, per non seccarsi ed essere quindi tagliati e bruciati. Ecco la nostra sfida. Chiediamo il Signore ci aiuti a rimanere in Lui per produrre frutti di vita.



FAREWELL Fr. DELMAR. Sunday 17th May 2015 there will be only **ONE MASS at 10.30am.**

This will be a special farewell Mass for Fr. Delmar Silva, who as you know is leaving St. Brigid's to take up the role as Scalabrinian Provincial for Australia and Asia. After mass we are all invited to join him in the parish hall for a farewell get-together.

ADDIO Pd. DELMAR. Domenica 17 Maggio 2015 ci sarà soltanto un **UNICA MESSA all 10.30am.**




Questa sarà una messa di ringraziamento e addio per Padre Delmar Silva, che come sapete gli è stato dato l'incarico di Provinciale dei Scalabriniani in Australia e Asia. Dopo la Santa Messa siamo tutti invitati nella sala parrocchiale per un rinfresco e la possibilità di salutarlo.

COMMUNION ANTHIPHON: I am the vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remain in me, and I in him, bears fruits in plenty, Alleluia (Jn 15:5).



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	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY of the 4th week of Easter 2nd May 2015 Year "B" "VIGIL"	"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine dresser".	Oggi 10.30am Santa Messa per gli anziani al Rathdowne Place 497 Rathdowne St. Carlton. Tutti Benvenuti!	6.00pm Gaetano & Carmelina CAFARELLA 7.00pm Spanish Mass	Weddings Celebration for: Jaime Eduardo LOPEZ & Jendry Arelli ACOSTA Melissa SORRENTI & Ryan CARNIE Congratulations!
5th SUNDAY OF EASTER QUINTA DOMENICA DI PASQUA 3rd May 2015 Year "B" 	"Io sono la vite vera e il Padre mio è l'agricoltore". 	8.30am Rocco D'ALESSANDRI	9.45am PRO-POPULO 11.00am Angelo TRICARICO (Primo Anniversario) Giovanni VIGLIAROLO 2.30pm Feast in honour to St. Peregrine	Baptism Celebration for: Marco John TESTA Congratulations! 7.30 - 8.30pm Welcome In Room Come and Listen to a Good News Neo-Catechumenal Way
Monday of the 5th week of Easter 4th May 2015 Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14: 21-26	Responsorial Psalm Not to us, O Lord, but to your name give the glory.	8.00am Mary-Ellen LAMONT (Special Intentions)	9.15am	
Tuesday of the 5th week of Easter 5th May 2015 Acts 14: 19-28; Jn 14:27-31	Responsorial Psalm. Your friends tell the glory of your kingship, Lord.	8.00am Andrew LAMONT (Special Intentions)	9.15am 10.30am S. Rosario 11.00am S. Messa Funebre per Pia MUNARI	Our deepest sympathy to the family of our dear parishioner Pia MUNARI. May the Lord of Mercy grant her eternal rest and give comfort to her loved ones.
Mercoledì 6 Maggio 2015 Wednesday of the 5th week of Easter 6th May 2015 Acts 15:1- 6-5;Jn 15:1-8	Responsorial Psalm. Andiamo con gioia all casa del Signore. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.	8.00am Xavier BREEN (Special Intentions)	9.15am Giuseppina CALANDRA Cristoforo FIORE	Dopo la S. Messa delle 9.15am segue il Gruppo di Preghiera Carismatico Italiano
Thursday of the 5th week of Easter 7th May 2015 Acts 15: 7-21; Jn 15: 9-11	Responsorial Psalm Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.	8.00am Mary (Special Intentions)	9.15am	7.30 - 8.30pm Welcome In Room Come and Listen to a Good News Neo-Catechumenal Way
Friday of the 5th week of Easter 8th May 2015 Acts 15: 22-31; Jn 15: 12-17	Responsorial Psalm I will praise you among the nations, O Lord.	8.00am Mary (Special Intentions)	9.15am In honour to our Lady of Pompei 10.00am Holy Mass for Simonds Day Celebrations	Archbishop Justin Daniel Simonds 

Parish Community	Parish Office	Comunidad Pastoral De Habla Hispana	Comunidade Pastoral De Expressão Portuguesa	Filipino Pastoral Community
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Liturgy of the Word 9th & 10th May 2015	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. C. Sisters	M. Lauria	N. Ieraci / G. Moretti	M. Alessi	S. Colosimo
Responsorial Psalm	Volunteer	L. Murphy	M. C. Sisters	L. Colosimo	Lucy Butera/ Lina Butera		
II Reading	Volunteer	L. Murphy	M. C. Sisters	E. Mascia	D. Polla/ T. Bozzetto		

Changes at St. Brigid's as at 1st May 2015

As of this weekend, we welcome Fr. Luciano Toldo as the Parish Administrator until such time as a new parish priest is assigned. We wish him a happy and fruitful time with us. At the same time, we are saddened to see our beloved parish priest Fr. Delmar Silva leaving us to take up his new and very important role as Provincial. We, wholeheartedly wish him all the very best and assure him of our continuous prayers. May God bless all our priests.

MAGGIO - MESE DI MARIA:

Siamo tutti invitati a recitare il S. Rosario in onore alla nostra Madre Celeste in chiesa prima o dopo la Santa Messa, oppure in casa con la nostra famiglia.

MAY - MONTH OF MARY:

We are all invited to pray the Holy Rosary in honour to our mother Mary before or after Mass, or in our own homes with members of our family.

St. Brigid & St. Mark Collections

1 Collection	\$ 440 - 00
2 Collection	\$ 310 - 00
Envelopes	\$ 250 - 00

Caritas AUSTRALIA Nepal Earthquake Appeal

Our prayers and thoughts are with the communities in Nepal, and neighbouring countries, devastated by a 7.9 magnitude earthquake on 25 April 2015. Caritas Australia staff are currently on the ground working with local partners to respond to immediate needs. We urgently need your help to provide food, shelter and clean water and to support the long-term recovery. Donate today www.caritas.org.au/nepalearthquake or call 03 9926 5786

Prayer for Victims of the Earthquake

Loving God, we pray for all those affected by the earthquake in Nepal as we offer the words of the psalmist, "Be strong and take heart, all who hope in the Lord" (Psalm 31:25)

May those who are paralysed by fear... Be strong and take heart.

May those who have lost or are still searching for loved ones... Be strong and take heart.

May those who remain trapped under rubble... Be strong a take heart.

May those rescue workers who provide relief and recovery... Be strong and take heart.

May those who are moved with compassion to help... Be strong and take heart.

God, whose love knows no bounds, fill all those who suffer with your comfort and peace.

We ask all this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Cambiamenti a Santa Brigida dal primo maggio 2015

A partire da questo weekend, Padre Luciano Toldo assumerà il ruolo di Amministratore della parrocchia affinché un nuovo parroco verrà assegnato. Noi tutti, gli auguriamo un tempo felice e fruttuoso immezzo a noi. Nello stesso tempo siamo veramente spiacenti che il nostro caro parroco Pd. Delmar ci lascia per affrontare questo nuovo e importante ruolo di Provinciale. Di cuore gli auguriamo un mondo di felicità e gli assicuriamo le nostre continue preghiere. Il buon Dio benedica tutti i nostri padri.

CELEBRAZIONI IN ONORE DI

SAN PELLEGRINO Patrono degli ammalati per il cancro. **OGGI** nella nostra chiesa di S. Brigida. Inizio alle 2.30pm con il S. Rosario, segue la Santa Messa e Benedizione con l'olio per gli ammalati. Tutti benvenuti.

The Servite Friars invite you to celebrate the feast of **ST. PEREGRINE**

Patron of Cancer Sufferers. **TODAY** here in St. Brigid's Church commencing at 2.30pm Servite Rosary, Holy Mass and Anointing of the sick. All welcome.

Canto D'Ingresso

TI ESALTO, DIO, MIO RE

Ti esalto, Dio, mio re, Canterò in eterno a te: lo voglio lodarti, Signor, E benedirti. Alleluia!

Il Signore è degno d'ogni lode, Non si può misurar la sua grandezza Ogni vivente proclama la sua gloria, La sua opera è giustizia e verità.

Il Signore è paziente e pietoso, Lento all'ira e ricco di grazia, Tenerezza ha per ogni creatura, Il Signore è buono verso tutti.

Il Signore sostiene chi vacilla E rialza chiunque è caduto. Gli occhi di tutti ricercano il suo volto, La sua mano provvede loro il cibo.



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

SEI TU SIGNORE IL PANE

Sei tu Signore il pane, tu cibo sei per noi. Risorto a vita nuova, sei vivo in mezzo a noi.

Nell'ultima sua cena, Gesù si dona ai suoi: prendete pane e vino, la vita mia per voi.

Mangiate questo pane: chi crede in me vivrà, chi beve, il vino nuovo, con me risorgerà.

È Cristo il pane vero, diviso qui fra noi: formiamo un solo corpo e Dio sarà con noi.

Se porti la sua Croce, in lui tu regnerai. Se muori unito a Cristo, con lui rinasci.

Verranno i cieli nuovi, La terra fiorirà. Vivremo da fratelli, la Chiesa è carità

Canto Finale

NOME DOLCISSIMO

Nome dolcissimo, nome d'amore, tu sei rifugio al peccatore. Frai cori angelici è l'armonia: Ave Maria, ave Maria!

Nel fosco esilio, fulgida stella, sei nostra gioia, Vergine bella. Ascolta il grido dell'anima mia: Ave Maria, ave Maria.

Saldo mi tieni sul buon sentiero; dei gaudi eterni al gran pensiero, Frai cori angelici è l'armonia: Ave Maria, ave Maria!

PROGETTO CORELLI (AKA CORELLI PROJECT) **Today Sunday 3 May, 3.00pm** St John the Baptist Catholic Church, 61 Queens Pde, Clifton Hill Come along and hear some beautiful Baroque music. The program includes pieces by Bach, Corelli and Telemann. Entry by donation