

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days. (Ps 90:15-16)

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy (26:4-10) Moses said to the people, "The priest shall take the basket from your hand, and set it down before the altar of the Lord your God. And you shall make response before the Lord your God, 'A wandering Aramaean was my father; and he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number; and there he became a nation, great, mighty and populous. And the Egyptians treated us harshly, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage. Then we cried to the Lord, the God of our fathers, and the Lord heard our voice, and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression, and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great terror, with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which thou, O Lord, hast given me.' And you shall set it down before the Lord your God, and worship before the Lord your God." **This is the Word of the Lord.**

**Responsorial Psalm: Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.**

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: "My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!" **R/**

Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. **R/**

They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. **R/**

His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: "I am with you." I will save him in distress and give him glory. **R/**

**Entrance Hymn Great is Thy Faithfulness**

"Great is Thy faithfulness," O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;  
Thou changest not,  
Thy compassions, they fail not  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

"Great is Thy faithfulness!"

"Great is Thy faithfulness!"

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed

Thy hand hath provided—

"Great is Thy faithfulness,"

Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter,  
and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence  
to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today  
and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine,  
with ten thousand beside!



**Offertory Hymn**

**Bread for the World**

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

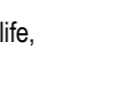
**Wine for all peoples:  
people who thirst.**

**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.

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 Hymn**

**God of mercy and compassion**

God of mercy and compassion,  
Look with pity upon me,  
Father, let me call Thee Father,  
'Tis Thy child returns to Thee.

**Refrain:**

**Jesus, Lord, I ask for mercy;  
Let me not implore in vain;  
All my sins, I now detest them,  
Never will I sin again.**

By my sins I have deserved  
Death and endless misery,  
Hell with all its pains and torments,  
And for all eternity.

By my sins I have abandoned  
Right and claim to heav'n above.  
Where the saints rejoice forever  
In a boundless sea of love.

See our Saviour, bleeding, dying,  
On the cross of Calvary;  
To that cross my sins  
have nail'd Him,  
Yet He bleeds  
and dies for me.



**Final Hymn**

**Amazing Grace**

Amazing Grace,  
how sweet the sound,  
That saved a wretch  
like me.

I once was lost  
but now am found,  
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas Grace that taught  
my heart to fear.  
And Grace,  
my fears relieved.  
How precious did  
that Grace appear  
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers,  
toils and snares  
I have already come;  
'Tis Grace that brought  
me safe thus far  
and Grace  
will lead me home.



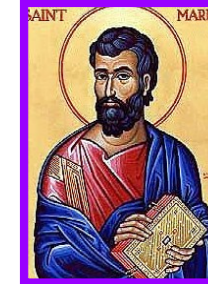
# Weekly Parish Newsletter

*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.*



**Jubilee Year of Mercy and Lent**

The time of Lent which we have just begun is an opportune time to reflect on the invitation of the Holy Father on "Mercy" by what he wrote. (Part 1)

1. *Jesus Christ is the face of the Father's mercy. These words might well sum up the mystery of the Christian faith. Mercy has become living and visible in Jesus of Nazareth, reaching its culmination in him. The Father, "rich in mercy" (Eph 2:4), after having revealed his name to Moses as "a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness" (Ex 34:6), has never ceased to show, in various ways throughout history, his divine nature. In the "fullness of time" (Gal 4:4), when everything had been arranged according to his plan of salvation, he sent his only Son into the world, born of the Virgin Mary, to reveal his love for us in a definitive way. Whoever sees Jesus sees the Father (cf. Jn 14:9). Jesus of Nazareth, by his words, his actions, and his entire person [1] reveals the mercy of God.*

2. *We need constantly to contemplate the mystery of mercy. It is a wellspring of joy, serenity, and peace. Our salvation depends on it. Mercy: the word reveals the very mystery of the Most Holy Trinity. Mercy: the ultimate and supreme act by which God comes to meet us. Mercy: the fundamental law that dwells in the heart of every person who looks sincerely into the eyes of his brothers and sisters on the path of life. Mercy: the bridge that connects God and man, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness.*

3. *At times we are called to gaze even more attentively on mercy so that we may become a more effective sign of the Father's action in our lives. For this reason I have proclaimed an Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy as a special time for the Church, a time when the witness of believers might grow stronger and more effective.*

**Il Giubileo della Misericordia e Quaresima**

La Quaresima che abbiamo appena iniziato e' un tempo opportuno per riflettere sull'invito del Santo Padre sulla "Misericordia", rileggendo le sue parole. (1.ma Parte)

1. *Gesù Cristo è il volto della misericordia del Padre. Il mistero della fede cristiana sembra trovare in questa parola la sua sintesi. Essa è divenuta viva, visibile e ha raggiunto il suo culmine in Gesù di Nazareth. Il Padre, « ricco di misericordia » (Ef 2,4), dopo aver rivelato il suo nome a Mosè come « Dio misericordioso e pietoso, lento all'ira e ricco di amore e di fedeltà » (Es 34,6), non ha cessato di far conoscere in vari modi e in tanti momenti della storia la sua natura divina. Nella « pienezza del tempo » (Gal 4,4), quando tutto era disposto secondo il suo piano di salvezza, Egli mandò suo Figlio nato dalla Vergine Maria per rivelare a noi in modo definitivo il suo amore. Chi vede Lui vede il Padre (cfr Gv 14,9). Gesù di Nazareth con la sua parola, con i suoi gesti e con tutta la sua persona [1] rivela la misericordia di Dio.*

2. *Abbiamo sempre bisogno di contemplare il mistero della misericordia. È fonte di gioia, di serenità e di pace. È condizione della nostra salvezza. Misericordia: è la parola che rivela il mistero della SS. Trinità. Misericordia: è l'atto ultimo e supremo con il quale Dio ci viene incontro. Misericordia: è la legge fondamentale che abita nel cuore di ogni persona quando guarda con occhi sinceri il fratello che incontra nel cammino della vita. Misericordia: è la via che unisce Dio e l'uomo, perché apre il cuore alla speranza di essere amati per sempre nonostante il limite del nostro peccato.*

3. *Ci sono momenti nei quali in modo ancora più forte siamo chiamati a tenere fisso lo sguardo sulla misericordia per diventare noi stessi segno efficace dell'agire del Padre. È per questo che ho indetto un Giubileo Straordinario della Misericordia come tempo favorevole per la Chiesa, perché renda più forte ed efficace la testimonianza dei credenti.*



**Holy Door Lenten Pilgrimage Saturday, 27 February, 2016**

**St Philip's Catholic Church, 60 Junction Rd, Blackburn North Leaving 10:00am (Extraordinary Form Mass 9:00am)**

**walking to St Brigid's Catholic Church, 378 Nicholson St, Fitzroy North Arriving 5:30pm (Vigil Mass 6:00pm)**

Plenary Indulgence (under prescribed conditions) **Full distance 22km – or join us along the way**

**For more information and to join the pilgrimage contact:**

David Schütz 0400 978 938 <mailto:david.schutz@cam.org.au>




The Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo - Scalabrinians - [www.Scalabrini.org](http://www.Scalabrini.org)  
Ministering to the Parish and Migrants in St. Brigid since 1959



**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God. (Mt 4:4)

## Liturgical Calendar and activities

Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
Saturday/Sabato 13th February 2016 (Vigil) 1st Sunday of Lent Year "C"	<i>"Man shall not live by bread alone"</i> 	10.30am Santa Messa per gli anziani al Rathdowne Place 497 Rathdowne St. Carlton. Tutti Benvenuti!	6.00pm PRO-POPULO  7.00pm Spanish Mass	<i>Baptism Celebrations for Julian Mark PEREIRA Sofia PARRYS ACOSTA Congratulations!</i> 
Sunday/Domenica 14th February 2016 1st Sunday of Lent Year "C"	<i>"Non di solo pane vivrà l'uomo".</i> 	8.30am	9.45am 11.00am Felice ALESSI (4° anniversario) Giuseppe Valentino BANDIERA Franco e Luigi PALMA	
Monday/Lunedì 1st week of Lent 15th February 2016 Lev 19:1-2,11-18; Mt 25: 31-46	<i>Responsorial Psalm Your words, Lord, are spirit and life..</i>	8.00am	9.15am	
Tuesday/Martedì 1st week of Lent 16th February 2016 Is 55:10-11; Mt 6: 7-15	<i>Responsorial Psalm From all their afflictions God will deliver the just.</i>	8.00am	9.15am  10.30am Rosario e Messa funebre per Felice ALESSI	<i>Le nostre sincere condoglianze ai familiari di Felice ALESSI. Preghiamo il Signore di dare lui il riposo eterno, e conforto e pace ai suoi cari.</i>
Wednesday/Mercoledì 1st week of Lent 17th February 2016 Jonah 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32	<i>Responsorial Psalm Tu gradisci, Signore il cuore penitente.  A broken, humble heart, O God, you will not scorn.</i>	8.00am	9.15am Gaetano CAFARELLA	<i>Dopo la messa del mattino Segue il Gruppo di Preghiera in Chiesa Tutti benvenuti.</i>
Thursday/Giovedì 1st week of Lent 18th February 2016 Esther 14:1, 3-5,12-14; Mt 7:7-12	<i>Responsorial Psalm Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.</i>	8.00am	9.15am	
Friday/Venerdì 1st week of Lent 19th February 2016 Ezek 18:21-28; Mt 5: 20-26	<i>Responsorial Psalm If you, O Lord, laid bare our guilt, who could endure it?</i>	8.00am	9.15am  7.30pm Via Crucis Stations of the Cross (In various language) Confessions	

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## Parish News... Notizie di casa nostra...

Liturgy of the Word 20th & 21st Feb. 2016	6.00pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45 am St. Brigid	11.00am St. Brigid	Offertory Procession	Special Minister	Church Cleaning
I Reading	Volunteer	G. Piantella	M. C. Sisters	L. Colosimo	B. Rigoni / M. Villani	T. Toscano	D. Lauria
Responsorial Psalm	Volunteer	G. Piantella	M. C. Sisters	E. Mascia	Lucy Butera / Lina Butera		
II Reading	Volunteer	G. Piantella	M. C. Sisters	M. Lauria	C. Zorzi / L. Di Franco		

*The parish of St. Brigid & St. Mark  
Warmly welcome to our parish  
community Sr. Acacia & Sr. Shekina  
from the Missionaries of Charity.  
May their time here be rewarding  
and fruitful and may it be filled with  
many blessings.*

**MASS IN SUPPORT OF PEOPLE  
SEEKING ASYLUM**  
Tuesday 16th February 2016,  
11.00am St. Patrick's Cathedral, East  
Melbourne. Principal Celebrant:  
**Bishop Vincent LONG ofm conv**  
Everyone is most welcome!

**JOHN PAUL 2 MUSICAL:**  
Need Volunteers, Actors and Singers  
For interest and involvement please  
contact Geraldine at 0438982626 or  
geraldine343@gmail.com as Auditions  
start in March. We provide training in  
singing and acting by Award Director.  
This is a chance to develop your gifts.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
VIA CRUCIS Every Friday  
during Lent Stations of the Cross  
at 7.30pm in Church followed by  
confessions.**  
Durante il tempo di Quaresima, ogni  
Venerdì sera in chiesa alle 7.30pm  
Via Crucis e confessioni.

**ENTRATA PADRE, PERDONA**  
*Signore, ascolta: Padre, perdona!  
Fa' che vediamo il tuo amore.*  
A te guardiamo, Redentore nostro,  
da te speriamo gioia di salvezza:  
Fa' che troviamo grazia di perdono.  
*Signore, ascolta: Padre, perdona!  
Fa' che vediamo il tuo amore.*  
Ti confessiamo ogni nostra colpa,  
Riconosciamo ogni nostro errore  
E ti preghiamo: dona il tuo perdono.  
*Signore, ascolta: Padre, perdona!  
Fa' che vediamo il tuo amore.*  
O buon Pastore, tu che dai la vita,  
Parola certa, Rocca che non muta,  
Perdona ancora, con pietà infinita.  
*Signore, ascolta: Padre, perdona!  
Fa' che vediamo il tuo amore.*

**CARITAS AUSTRALIA  
PROJECT COMPASSION 2016**  
The theme for Project Compassion  
this year is *"Learning More  
Creating Change"*



Malawi in East Africa is one of the  
poorest countries in the world. Most people rely on  
farming small plots of land to produce food to feed their  
families. But many, like Doney and her family, have  
often gone months without enough food to eat.  
*Envelopes and Boxes are available from the  
table at the entrance to the church.*

**CARITAS AUSTRALIA 2016  
PROGETTO COMPASSIONE**  
Durante questo tempo di Quaresima, siamo tutti  
invitati ad aprire il nostro cuore aiutando altri  
meno fortunati di noi con la nostra preghiera e la  
nostra offerta. *Le bustine e scatole sono disponi-  
bili sui tavoli all'entrata della chiesa. Grazie.*

Come and Join the **LENTEN RECOLLECTION**  
(Reflections on the beauty and richness of God's mercy)  
**Saturday 27th February 2016 10am to 5pm** at  
St. Brigid's Church 378 Nicholson Street, North Fitzroy.  
For more details, please contact the Filipino Chaplaincy  
9482 5349 or Fr. Asis 0404 261 228

The **SEVEN LAST WORDS** and  
The **PARABLES of MERCY**  
The Filipino Chaplaincy invites you to reflect on the  
Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross this  
**GOOD FRIDAY, 25 March 2016, 9.30am to 12noon** at  
St. Brigid's Church, 378 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy North.

**OFFERTORIO  
A TE NOSTRO PADRE**  
*A te, nostro Padre  
e nostro Signor,  
pane e vino oggi noi  
t'offriam sull'altar.*  
Grano, diverrai  
vivo Pane del cielo  
Cibo per nutrire  
l'anima fedel. **Rit.:**  
Vino, diverrai vivo  
Sangue di Cristo,  
fonte che disseta  
l'arsura del cuor. **Rit.:**



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



**THANK YOU - GRAZIE  
GRACIAS - OBRIGADO - SALAMAT**

**ST. BRIGID'S FEAST DAY**  
*Last Sunday we came together to  
celebrate the feast of our Patroness  
St. Brigid. It was a wonderful cele-  
bration with Holy Mass celebrated  
by our parish priest, Fr. Savino &  
Fr. Luciano, followed by Procession  
with St. Brigid Statue, Rosary and  
final blessing in the hall. Lunch and  
entertainment followed with  
everyone having a good time.  
Heartfelt thanks to everyone  
involved in the liturgy, Fr. Raffaele,  
Banda Bellini our wonderful parish  
choir, altar servers, boys and staff  
from Simonds Catholic College,  
faithful parishioners and members  
from different communities and  
everyone who helped to make this  
celebration a memorable one.  
A big thank you to San Remo and all  
the Communities for contributing  
food/ sweets/ drinks/ music/dance  
etc. and everyone who kindly helped  
before, during and after the parish  
luncheon, it was a great  
success.*

**St. Brigid & St. Mark Collections**  
1 Collection \$ 890 - 00  
2 Collection \$ 520 - 00  
Envelopes \$ 229 - 00

**FINE  
MADRE DELLA CHIESA  
Ave Maria, Madre di Dio,  
Tu sei la Madre  
della Chiesa  
Ave Maria (2)**  
A te, Maria,  
guardiamo con gioia,  
in te il Signore  
ha fatto meraviglie. **R.:**  
Ci sei sorella,  
conosci la vita,  
la tua fede dà forza  
ai nostri passi. **R.:**  
Tu sei la stella,  
sei luce di Dio,  
E nel cammino  
tu sei davanti a noi. **R.:**

