

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me. (Ps 26:8-9)

A reading from the Book of Genesis (15:5-12,17-18) The Lord brought Abram outside and said, "Look towards heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the Lord; and he reckoned it to him as righteousness. And he said to him, "I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess." But he said, "O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a she-goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." And he brought him all these, cut them in two, and laid each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram; and lo, a dread and great darkness fell upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, behold, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great River, the River Euphrates." **This is the Word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm:

Response: The Lord is my light and my help.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? **R./**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. Of you my heart has spoken: "Seek his face." **R./**

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face. Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. **R./**

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! **R./**

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Philippians (3:17-4:1)

Brethren, join in imitating me, and mark those who so live as you have an example in us. For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, live as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction, their god is the belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. But our commonwealth is in heaven, and from it we await a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power which enables him even to subject all things to himself. Therefore, my brethren, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard: "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!** (Mt 17:5)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Luke (9:28-36)

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And as he was praying, the appearance of his countenance was altered, and his raiment became dazzling white. And behold, two men talked with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep but kept awake, and they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is well that we are here; let us make three booths, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah" – not knowing what he said. As he said this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silence and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen. **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Entrance Hymn

Gather us in

Here in this place new light is streaming,
Now is the darkness vanished away,
See in this space our fears and our dreamings
Brought here to You in the light of this day.

Gather us in the lost and forsaken,
Gather us in the blind and the lame;
Call to us now and we shall awaken,
We shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young our lives are a mystery,
we are the old who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history,
Called to be light to the whole human race.

Gather us in the rich and the haughty
Gather us in the proud and the strong,
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
Give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water,
Here we will take the bread of new birth,
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
Call us anew to be salt for the earth.

Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
Give us to eat the bread that is you;
Nourish us well and teach us to fashion,
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Offertory Hymn

Gift of finest wheat

Chorus:

**You satisfy
the hungry heart
with gift of
finest wheat,
come give to us
O saving Lord,
the bread
of life to eat.**

With joyful lips
we sing to You,
Our praise and gratitude,
that You should count
us worthy Lord,
to share
this heavenly food.

Is not the cup
we bless and share,
the blood of Christ
outpoured?

Do not one cup,
one loaf declare
Our oneness
in the Lord?



Communion Hymn

On Eagles Wings

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in his shadow for life,
say to the Lord:
"My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain:

**And he will raise you up
on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.**

The snare of the fowler
will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear:
under his wings your refuge,
his faithfulness your shield. (Ref)

You need not fear the terror of the night
Nor the arrow that flies by day
Though thousands fall about you
Near you it shall not come (Ref)

For to his angels he's given a command
to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
(Ref)



Final Hymn

Everyday God

Earth's creator,
Everyday God,
Loving Maker, O Jesus,
You who shaped us, O Spirit,
Recreate us, Come, be with us.

In your presence,
Everyday God,
We are gathered, O Jesus,
You have called us, O Spirit,
To restore us,
Come, be with us.

Life of all lives,
Everyday God,
Love of all loves, O Jesus,
Hope of all hopes, O Spirit,
Light of all lights,
Come, be with us.

In our dreaming,
Everyday God,
In our daring, O Jesus,
In our searching, O Spirit,
In our sharing,
Come, be with us.



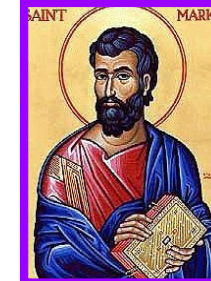
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*We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand.
We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.*



Jubilee Year of Mercy and Lent

The time of Lent which is an opportune time to reflect on the invitation of the Holy Father on "Mercy" by what he wrote. (Part 2)

4. With the (Second Vatican Ecumenical) Council, the Church entered a new phase of her history. The Council Fathers strongly perceived, as a true breath of the Holy Spirit, a need to talk about God to men and women of their time in a more accessible way. The

walls which for too long had made the Church a kind of fortress were torn down and the time had come to proclaim the Gospel in a new way. It was a new phase of the same evangelization that had existed from the beginning. It was a fresh undertaking for all Christians to bear witness to their faith with greater enthusiasm and conviction. The Church sensed a responsibility to be a living sign of the Father's love in the world.

We recall the poignant words of Saint John XXIII when opening the Council: "Now the Bride of Christ wishes to use the medicine of mercy rather than taking up arms of severity"... Blessed Paul VI spoke in a similar vein at the closing of the Council: "We prefer to point out how charity has been the principal religious feature of this Council... the old story of the Good Samaritan has been the model of the spirituality of the Council... a wave of affection and admiration flowed from the Council over the modern world of humanity. Errors were condemned, indeed, because charity demanded this no less than did truth, but for individuals themselves there was only admonition, respect and love. Instead of depressing diagnoses, encouraging remedies; instead of direful predictions, messages of trust issued from the Council to the present-day world. The modern world's values were not only respected but honoured, its efforts approved, its aspirations purified and blessed"... With these sentiments of gratitude for everything the Church has received, and with a sense of responsibility for the task that lies ahead, we shall cross the threshold of the Holy Door fully confident that the strength of the Risen Lord... will sustain us. May the Holy Spirit... lead the way and support the People of God so that they may contemplate the face of mercy.

Il Giubileo della Misericordia e Quaresima

La Quaresima e' un tempo opportuno per riflettere sull'invito del Santo Padre sulla "Misericordia", rileggendo le sue parole. (2.da Parte)

4. Aprirò la Porta Santa nel cinquantesimo anniversario della conclusione del Concilio Ecumenico Vaticano II. La Chiesa sente il bisogno di mantenere vivo quell'evento. Per lei iniziava un nuovo percorso della sua storia. I Padri radunati nel Concilio avevano percepito forte, come un vero soffio dello Spirito, l'esigenza di parlare di Dio agli uomini del loro tempo in un modo più comprensibile. Abbattute le muraglie che per troppo tempo avevano rinchiuso la Chiesa in una cittadella privilegiata, era giunto il tempo di annunciare il Vangelo in modo nuovo. Una nuova tappa dell'evangelizzazione di sempre. Un nuovo impegno per tutti i cristiani per testimoniare con più entusiasmo e convinzione la loro fede. La Chiesa sentiva la responsabilità di essere nel mondo il segno vivo dell'amore del Padre.

Tornano alla mente le parole cariche di significato che san Giovanni XXIII pronunciò all'apertura del Concilio: « Ora la Sposa di Cristo preferisce usare la medicina della misericordia invece di imbracciare le armi del rigore ... La Chiesa Cattolica, mentre con questo Concilio Ecumenico innalza la fiaccola della verità cattolica, vuole mostrarsi madre amorevolissima di tutti, benigna, paziente, mossa da misericordia e da bontà verso i figli da lei separati ... Il beato Paolo VI si esprimeva così a conclusione del Concilio: « ... L'antica storia del Samaritano è stata il paradigma della spiritualità del Concilio ... Una corrente di affetto e di ammirazione si è riversata dal Concilio sul mondo umano moderno. Riprovati gli errori, sì; perché ciò esige la carità, non meno che la verità; ma per le persone solo richiamo, rispetto ed amore. Invece di deprimenti diagnosi, incoraggianti rimedi; invece di funesti presagi, messaggi di fiducia sono partiti dal Concilio verso il mondo contemporaneo: i suoi valori sono stati non solo rispettati, ma onorati, i suoi sforzi sostenuti, le sue aspirazioni purificate e benedette ... »

Con questi sentimenti di gratitudine per quanto la Chiesa ha ricevuto e di responsabilità per il compito che ci attende, attraverseremo la Porta Santa con piena fiducia di essere accompagnati dalla forza del Signore Risorto che continua a sostenere il nostro pellegrinaggio. Lo Spirito Santo che conduce i passi dei credenti... sia guida e sostegno del Popolo di Dio per aiutarlo a contemplare il volto della misericordia.



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>




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COMMUNION ANTIPHON: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him. (Mt 17:5)

Liturgical Calendar and activities

Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
Saturday/Sabato 20th February 2016 (Vigil) 2nd Sunday of Lent Year "C"		10.30am Santa Messa per gli anziani al Rathdowne Place 497 Rathdowne St. Carlton. Tutti Benvenuti!	6.00pm PRO-POPULO 7.00pm Spanish Mass	Wedding Celebration for: Catalina ALVAREZ & Pablo PELAEZ Congratulations! 
Sunday/Domenica 21st February 2016 2nd Sunday of Lent Year "C"	"Questi è il Figlio mio, l'electo; ascoltatelo!" 	8.30am 	9.45am 11.00am Raffaella LAVECCHIA (4th annv.) Damiano ALESSI Giovanni VIGLIAROLO	Baptism Celebration for: Zane Maverick DIRITO & Benjamin GALDAMEZ Congratulations! 
Monday/Lunedì 22nd February 2016 The Chair of St. Peter, 1 Pet 5:1-4; Mt 16: 13-19	Responsorial Psalm <i>The Lord is my shepherd; There is nothing I shall want.</i>	8.00am In honour to the Chair of St. Peter	9.15am In honour to the Chair of St. Peter	
Tuesday/Martedì 2nd week of Lent 23rd February 2016 Is 1: 10, 16-20; Mt 23: 1-12	Responsorial Psalm <i>To the upright I will show the saving power of God.</i>	8.00am	9.15am	
Wednesday/Mercoledì 2nd week of Lent 24th February 2016 Jer 18: 18-20; Mt 20: 17-28	Responsorial Psalm <i>Salvami, Signore: in te confido. Save me, O Lord, in your steadfast love.</i>	8.00am	9.15am	<i>Dopo la messa del mattino Segue il Gruppo di Preghiera in Chiesa Tutti benvenuti.</i>
Thursday/Giovedì 2nd week of Lent 25th February 2016 Jer 17:5-10; Lk16:19-31	Responsorial Psalm <i>Happy are they who hope in the Lord.</i>	8.00am	9.15am	
Friday/Venerdì 2nd week of Lent 26th February 2016 Gen 37:3-4,12-13,17-28; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46	Responsorial Psalm <i>Remember the marvels the Lord has done.</i>	8.00am	9.15am Carmela FIORE 7.30pm Via Crucis Stations of the Cross (In various language) Confessions	

SOUTHERN STARS SOCIAL CLUB: PARTY FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS

Saturday 27 February, 8pm Benedict House, 301 Warrigal Road, Burwood Single Catholics aged between 28 and 60 are all invited. Cost: \$13 includes supper and lucky door prizes. Details: Peter on 9885 2167

Parish Community	Parish Office	Comunidad Pastoral De Habla Hispana	Comunidade Pastoral De Expressão Portuguesa	Filipino Pastoral Community
Parish Priest: Fr. Savino Bernardi, CS	Monday to Friday 9.30am - 4.30pm	Tel: (03) 9482-5362 Fax: (03) 9489-9926	Chaplain P. Luciano Toldo, CS	Chaplain Mons. Joselito Asis
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Parish News... Notizie di casa nostra...

Liturgy of the Word 27th & 28th 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	L. Murphy	C. Goodson	P. La Marca	N. Ieraci / G. Moretti	M. Lauria	
Responsorial Psalm	Volunteer	L. Murphy	Lina Butera	T. Toscano	C. Penitito / R. Omenihu		
II Reading	Volunteer	A. De Santis	Lucy Butera	P. La Marca	Lauria Family		

HEALING MASS FOR THE SICK AND THE ELDERLY
WEDNESDAY 2ND MARCH 9.15AM
If you know anyone who would like to come to this special mass, please let them know. All welcome.

MESSA DI GUARIGIONE PER GLI AMMALATI E ANZIANI
MERCOLEDÌ 2 MARZO ALLE 9.15AM
Se siete a conoscenza di qualcuno che vorrebbe partecipare a questa messa di guarigione, vi preghiamo di avvertirli. Dopo la S. Messa segue il gruppo di preghiera carismatico.

DOMENICA 6 MARZO 11.00AM
S. MESSA DI GUARIGIONE PER LA COMUNITÀ
L'invito è rivolto a tutta la comunità a partecipare a questa speciale messa di guarigione in questo anno Giubileo della Misericordia.

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: LODATE DIO
Lodate Dio, schiera beate del cielo, lodate Dio, genti di tutta la terra: cantate a lui, che l'universo creò, somma sapienza e splendore.
Lodate Dio, Padre che dona ogni bene. lodate Dio, ricco di grazia e perdono: cantate a lui, che tanto gli uomini amò da dare l'unico Figlio.
Lodate Dio, uno e trino Signore, lodate Dio, mèta e premio dei buoni: cantate a lui, sorgente di ogni bontà, per tutti i secoli. Amen!

CARITAS AUSTRALIA PROJECT COMPASSION 2016
The theme for Project Compassion this year is **"Learning More Creating Change"**
Duangmala wishes for a bright future for her eight-year-old son Hum Noy, who is living with a disability. But faced with discrimination and limited learning opportunities, Duangmala feared he might never reach his full potential. Thankfully, a program supported by Caritas Australia has opened up a world of change for this small family. **Envelopes and Boxes are available 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 disponibili 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: SALGA DA QUESTO ALTARE
Salga da questo altare l'offerta a te gradita: dona il pane di vita e il sangue salutare.
Nel nome di Cristo uniti, il calice e il pane ti offriamo: per i tuoi doni largiti te, Padre, ringraziamo.
Rit:
Noi siamo il divin frumento e i tralci dell'unica vite: dal tuo celeste alimento son l'anime nutrite.
Rit:

COMUNIONE: SYMBOLUM
Tu sei la mia vita, altro io no ho, tu sei la mia strada, la mia verità, Nella tua parola, io camminerò
Finchè avrò respiro fino a quando tu vorrai Non avrò paura, sai, se tu sei con me. Io ti prego resta con me.
Credo in te Signore, nato da Maria, Figlio eterno e santo, uomo come noi, Morto per amore vivo in mezzo a noi Una cosa sola, con il Padre e con i tuoi, Fino a quando, io lo so, tu ritornerai, Per aprirci il Regno di Dio.
Tu sei la mia forza, altro io no ho. Tu sei la mia pace, la mia libertà. Niente nella vita ci separerà, So che la tua mano forte non mi lascerà So che da ogni male, Tu mi libererai E nel tuo perdono vivrò.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AT ST. BRIGID'S
Run by the Missionaries of Charity (Sisters of Mother Teresa)
Enrolment forms are available from the table at the entrance to the church for anyone interested in having their child attend Sunday School in order to be able to receive the Sacrament of Baptism, Holy Communion or Confirmation. Religious classes for 2016 begin **Sunday 6th March 2016** after the 9.45am Mass. Anyone interested, please fill out the form and return it to Sr. Acacia or Fr. Savino or you can contact the parish office on 9489 6777 or the Missionaries of Charity on 9415 1011.

SIMONDS CATHOLIC COLLEGE
Where the individual matters
Yr. 7-10 St. Mary's Campus: 273 Victoria St. West Melbourne
Yr 11 & 12 St. Brigid's Campus: Cnr Alexandra Pd. & Nicholson St. Fitzroy North. Enrolments for 2017 close on **24 March 2016**
For further information, please pick up a pamphlet from the table or contact the Registrar on 03 9321 9206 or email enquiries@sccmelb.catholic.edu.au

St. Brigid & St. Mark Collections
1 Collection \$ 480 - 00
2 Collection \$ 300 - 00
Envelopes \$ 208 - 00

FINE: SANTA MARIA DEL CAMMINO
Mentre trascorre la vita, solo tu non sei mai Santa Maria del cammino, sempre sarà con te.
Vieni o Madre in mezzo a noi vieni Maria quaggiù cammineremo insieme a te verso la libertà.
Quando qualcuno ti dice: "Nulla mai cambierà" lotta per un mondo nuovo, lotta per la verità. **Rit.**
Lungo la strada la gente, chiusa in se stessa va: offri per primo la mano a chi è vicino a te. **Rit.**