

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

A reading from Jeremiah 20:10-13

Jeremiah said: I hear so many disparaging me, "Terror from every side!" Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All those who used to be my friends watched for my downfall, 'Perhaps he will be seduced into error. Then we will master him and take our revenge!' But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero; my opponents will stumble, mastered, confounded by their failure; everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs. But you, O Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice, who scrutinise the loins and heart, let me see the vengeance you will take on them, for I have committed my cause to you. Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of evil men.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

Response: Love in your great love, answer me.

It is for you that I suffer taunts, that shame covers my face, that I have become a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my own mother's sons. I burn with zeal for your house and taunts against you fall on me. **R.**

This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour. In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails: Lord answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me. **R.**

The poor when they see it will be glad and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the Lord listens to the needy; and does not spurn his servant in their chains. Let the heavens and the earth give him praise, the sea an all its living creatures. **R.**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Romans 5:12-15

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law. Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift. *The Word of the Lord.*

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses. *Alleluia!*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 10:26-33

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the housetops. 'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows. 'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon: The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

SAINT JOHN BAPTIST SCALABRINI

Biographical notes

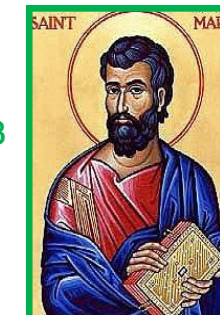
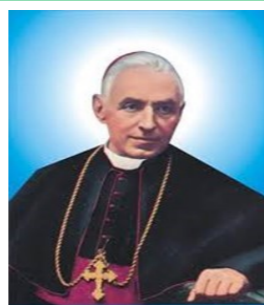
Born and baptized the same day in Fino Mornasco (Como) on July 8, 1839. Ordained priest on May 30, 1863; professor and rector of the St. Abbondio diocesan seminary. In 1870 he named pastor of St. Bartholomew parish in Como. Ordained bishop in Rome on January 30, 1876. Entry into the diocese of Piacenza on February 13, 1876.

Bishop of Piacenza

He did five pastoral visits to the 365 parishes of the diocese. He celebrated three Synods: 1879, 1893, and 1899. He founded the School of Christian Doctrine; Pope Pius IX called him Apostle of the Catechism. Founded the catechetical review *il Catechista Cattolico*; held the first National Catechetical Congress in 1889.

Father to the migrants

On November 28, 1887 he founded the Congregation of the Missionaries of St. Charles. In 1889 established the St. Raphael Lay Association for Assistance to Migrants. On October 25, 1895 he founded the Missionary Sisters of St. Charles. Visited his missionaries and their missions in the Americas: in 1901 in the US and in 1904 in Brazil. Died in Piacenza on June 1, 1905 (Solemnity of the Ascension).



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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.*

FEAST DAY OF SAN GIOVANNI BATTISTA SCALABRINI

Excerpts from St Scalabrini's thoughts on the Eucharist

Communion is the spring from which the soul draws the water that wells up to eternal life; it is the place where its wounds are healed; it is, in a word, the principle and end of that union with God raised to the highest power and brought to that highest degree of perfection that can be hoped for in the present order. If the Word of God was united personally with human nature in the incarnation, it is united even more so to our personality in communion. In this way, he divinizes our essence, Christianising, so to speak, our individual being and his union with us has as its emblem the same one that transforms food into the substance of the body that eats it. So those who take communion, as a holy doctor wrote, have Jesus in their minds, hearts, breasts, eyes, and tongue. This Savior corrects, purifies, and vivifies everything. He loves in the heart, understands in the mind, imparts strength in the breast, sees in the eyes, speaks by means of the tongue, and moves every other power. He works all things in all people, and they no longer live in themselves, but is the Word of God who lives in them, setting nobler and higher aims and purer and more perfect motives for their actions.

As you can see, my loved ones, there is nothing beyond this union but heaven. So, when the divine substance is conjoined with ours, if God were to transform our understanding into his and our will into his love in the same proportion, then we would see him clearly and love him with the love of the blessed. Now, what else is this if not eternal life? ...

Take communion, I shall now say to all of you, my very dearest children, take communion often, and you will find all you need. If you lack help, Jesus is strength; if you fear death, he is life; if you desire heaven, he is the way that leads there; if you flee the shadows, he is light; if you seek your food, he is the living bread; so, taste how sweet is the Lord. However, so far as you are able, let your life be such as to be worthy of receiving the holy Eucharist each day. Come to Jesus with purity of mind, heart, and body, and with the firm intention of never offending him again. Urge yourselves to the liveliest acts of faith, humility, hope and love before receiving him in your breast, and, after receiving him, stay with him for a long time, thanking him for every good thing. Then I am sure that you will always leave the eucharistic table better, and more disposed and ready to walk to the eternal pastures in the footsteps of the Good Shepherd.

St Scalabrini, *Eucharistic Synod 1899*

Estratti dal pensiero di san Scalabriniano sull'Eucaristia

La comunione è la sorgente dalla quale l'anima attinge l'acqua che sgorga fino alla vita eterna; è il luogo dove le sue ferite sono guarite; è, in una parola, il principio e la fine di quell'unione con Dio elevata alla più alta potenza e portata al più alto grado di perfezione

che si possa sperare nell'ordine presente. Se la Parola di Dio è stata unita personalmente alla natura umana nell'incarnazione, lo è ancor più alla nostra personalità in comunione. In questo modo, divinizza la nostra essenza, cristianizzando, per così dire, il nostro essere individuale e la sua unione con noi ha come emblema lo stesso che trasforma il cibo nella sostanza del corpo che lo mangia. Così coloro che prendono la comunione, come ha scritto un santo dottore, hanno Gesù nella loro mente, nel cuore, nel seno, negli occhi e nella lingua. Questo Salvatore corregge, purifica, vivifica ogni cosa. Ama nel cuore, comprende nella mente, impartisce forza nel petto, vede negli occhi, parla per mezzo della lingua, muove ogni altra potenza. Egli opera tutte le cose in tutti gli uomini, ed essi non vivono più in se stessi, ma è la Parola di Dio che vive in loro, ponendo fini sempre più nobili e motivi più puri e perfetti per le loro azioni.

St Scalabrini, *Eucharistic Synod 1899*

The Parish Community of St Brigid's and St Mark's is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people, and vulnerable adults. Safeguarding is **EVERYBODY's** responsibility. To gain a deeper understanding of defining, responding, and reporting abuse please contact: Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne (CAM) Professional Standards Units T:9926 5621 E:psu@cam.org.au W:melbourncatholic.org/safeguarding



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


Liturgical Calendar and activities

Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/SABATO 24th June 2023 Year 'A' VIGIL <i>The NATIVITY of ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST</i>	<i>"Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows".</i>		3.00pm Special Mass 15th Birthday (Spanish) 6.00pm PRO POPULO 7.00pm Spanish Mass	Baptism Celebrations: <i>Loukas Alejandro SOTO</i> Congratulations! 
SUNDAY/DOMENIC 25th June 2023 Year 'A' 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time	<i>"Non abbiate dunque paura: voi valetè piú di molti passerì!"</i>	No Masses at Mark's Church Today Sunday 25th June 2023	10.30am St John Baptist Scalabrini 5.00pm Brazilian Mass	
Monday / Lunedì 26th June 2023 Year 'A' Gen 12:1-9 Mt 7:1-5	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.</i>		9.15am †	
Tuesday / Martedì 27th June 2023 Year "A" Gen 13:2, 5-18 Mt 7:6, 12-14	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The just will live in the presence of the Lord.</i>	<i>Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Claudia BERRA. May she rest in peace.</i>	9:15 am 11.00 Funeral Mass for Claudia BERRA 	7.30 pm In Church Baptism Preparation for parents and godparents. 
Wednesday / Mercoledì 28th June 2023 Year "A" Gen 15:1-12, 17-18 Mt 7:15-20 <i>St Irenaeus, bishop, martyr</i>	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.</i>		9.15am St Irenaeus 7.30pm Mass and Novena in Honour to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Filipino Chaplaincy)	
Thursday / Giovedì 29th June 2023 Year 'A' Acts 12:1-11 2 Tims 4:6-8, 17-18 Mt 16:13-19 <i>Sts Peter and Paul, apostles</i>	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The Lord has set me free from all my fears.</i>		9.15am Sts Peter and Paul 11.00 Funeral Mass for Vincenzo AFFLITTO  7:00 pm Nicoletta (Lina) SCIARRONE 	<i>Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Vincenzo AFFLITTO May he rest in peace.</i>
Friday / Venerdì 30th June 2023 Year 'A' Gen 17:1, 9-10, 15-22 Mt 8:1-4	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>See how the Lord blesses those who fear him.</i>		9.15am 6.30pm Holy Hour of The Divine Mercy	

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Liturgy of the Word 1st/2nd July 2023	6.00pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45am St. Brigid	11.00am St. Brigid
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	N. Solomon	G. Piantella	C. Smith	P. La Marca
II Reading	N. Solomon	G. Piantella	MC Sisters	T. Toscano
Prayers of the Faithful	N. Solomon	G. Piantella	M. Pereira	G. Catena

Moving with the times - Online Giving: If anyone wishes to make a donation online to the parish this is the link to St. Brigid's Parish North Fitzroy or you can scan the bar code and it will take you straight to the link.




ST VINCENT DE PAUL "WINTER APPEAL" A big thank you to those who have donated to this very worthy appeal. Total to date \$440. There are still envelopes available in the church if you wish to make a donation.
La Società San Vincenzo de Paoli "WINTER APPEAL" Grazie di cuore a coloro che hanno offerto. Totale \$440. Ci sono ancora buste in chiesa se volete donare.

WEEKDAY MORNING MASS CHANGES
Starting from Monday 3rd July, 2023 the 9.15am Mass will be celebrated in the Chapel in the ex convent. Weekend Masses and other celebrations will be celebrated in Church.
CAMBIAMENTO PER LA MESSA DURANTE LA SETTIMANA
A partire da Lunedì 3 Luglio 2023, la Messa delle 9.15am durante la settimana verrà celebrata nella Cappella del ex convento. Il weekend le messe si celebreranno in chiesa come al solito.

HOLY HOUR OF DIVINE MERCY Everyone is welcome to HOLY HOUR OF DIVINE MERCY EVERY 2nd, 3rd & 4th Friday at 6.30pm in St Brigid's Church North Fitzroy.

Prayer to Saint John Baptist Scalabrini
O Saint John Baptist Scalabrini, missionary of the Word of God, minister of the Eucharist and of the Church, man of charity and communion, most loving son of Mary, apostle of the catechism, and father to the migrants. We rely on your intercession to receive God's blessings on ourselves and our beloved ones, on those who face migration and on all humankind. May the Holy Trinity, through your intercession, grant us the grace ... (pause for your intention) that we entrust to your fatherly love. Amen. **Saint John Baptist Scalabrini. Pray for us!**



CONFIRMATIONS
Confirmations this year will take place in our parish on **Sunday 9th July** with **ONE** only combined Mass at 10.30am.

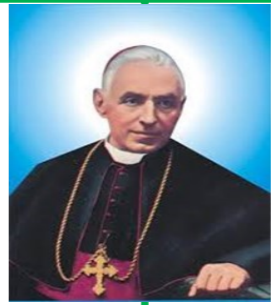
MAGI PILGRIMAGES
Trace the journey of Jesus from the land of his birth to the way he carried his cross and gave the eternal sacrifice in this 12-day Holy Land pilgrimage to Jordan & Israel led by Fr Thomas Areekuzhy MCBS. This pilgrimage features places from the Old & New Testament and includes Petra, Mt Nebo, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Sea of Galilee and Jerusalem for an all-inclusive offer of \$6,590 AUD. The fare includes Airfare + Local Transfers in Deluxe Coaches + Stay in Premium Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners + English speaking professional guides. Departure from Melbourne on 15 October 2023. For inquiries & bookings call 1300 721 561 or email us info@magiholidays.com.au

CONCERT AT ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL. Award-winning organist and former Director of Music at London's Temple Church, Roger Sayer will visit St. Patrick's Cathedral in July to present a grand organ recital **Friday 14th July, 2023 6.00pm - 7.00pm** **St. Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne**
Tickets: \$30 full, \$25 concession, free for those aged 15years and under. Tickets can be purchased in advance or simply pay by cash or card at the door.
For all enquiries, email: music@cam.org.au

St. Brigid & St. Mark Collections

1 Collection	\$495 - 00
2 Collection	\$340 - 00
Envelopes	\$ 89 - 00

San Giovanni Battista Scalabrini
Nato 8 luglio 1839 Morto 1° giugno 1905
Nato a Fino Mornasco l'8 luglio 1839, Scalabrini entrò in Seminario nel 1857 e fu ordinato sacerdote nel maggio 1863. Fu docente del Seminario minore della Diocesi di Como e, successivamente, divenne rettore del Seminario, fino alla nomina a priore di San Bartolomeo in Como, dove fu parroco per cinque anni e sviluppò una particolare attenzione alla catechesi. Proprio per questo, le campane di San Bartolomeo e della Cattedrale hanno suonato a festa per sottolineare la gioia di questo importante riconoscimento. A 36 anni divenne vescovo di Piacenza. Maturò la sua sensibilità nei confronti degli emigranti dopo aver visto, alla stazione di Milano, migliaia di persone accaldate, in partenza, dirette in luoghi lontani dove speravano in un futuro migliore.
San Giovanni Battista Scalabrini prega per noi.



Preghiera al Beato Giovanni Battista Scalabrini
O Beato Giovanni Battista Scalabrini, con cuore di vescovo e ardore di apostolo ti sei dato tutto a tutti.
Hai ascoltato il grido dei migranti, parlato in loro nome, difeso i loro diritti.
L'Eucaristia fu il tuo sostegno, la croce di Gesù il tuo rifugio, Maria, madre della Chiesa, il tuo conforto.
Per tua intercessione Dio, che è Padre, Figlio e Spirito Santo, doni la pace all'umanità intera, protegga coloro che attraversano mari e frontiere sorretti dalla speranza, benedica noi e i nostri cari e ci conceda la grazia che con fiducia affidiamo al tuo cuore di padre.
Amen