

4 **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)

First Reading:
A reading from the book of Genesis 9:8-15
God spoke to Noah and his sons, ‘See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.’ God said, ‘Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.’
The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm
Response: Your ways, Lord, are love and truth for those who keep your covenant.


Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my Saviour. **R./**
Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. **R./**
The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray. He guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **R./**

Second Reading:
A reading from the first letter of St Peter 3:18-22
Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people ‘by water’, and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God’s right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects. **The word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation:
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! (Mt 4:4b).

Gospel:
A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Mark 1:12-15
The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him. After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. ‘The time has come’ he said ‘and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.’
The Gospel of the Lord.

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



St. Brigid’s Parish: Patron Saint Feast Day.
Today our Parish celebrates the **Feast of the Patron Saint, St. Brigid of Kildare**, as one family in the faith, coming together from different nations, cultures and languages. Like in the day of Pentecost, we are Australians, English speaking from various Countries, Italians, Spanish speaking from South America, Portuguese speaking, Filipinos, Swahili, Samoans, Chinese, people from several Asian Countries and people from all Continents: this is the Family of St. Brigid’s, a family of many nations. Indeed, St. Brigid’s Cross is a symbol of unity. Tradition has it that she made it from rushes joined together as she was assisting a pagan chieftain on his deathbed who then converted to Christianity when St. Brigid explained that on the Cross Jesus died for his salvation and for all. St. Brigid’s Cross is the most appropriate sign of our Parish: our Community, in celebrating St. Brigid as our Patron Saint sees in her an inspiration for unity. In our church, people of different nations, cultures and languages gather and celebrate their faith in God and together become a powerful sign that God’s Family is one in faith and love. The love of God reaching out to the whole world; and all the people in the world united in the power of the love of God. St. Brigid was also a perfect example of this uniting love by her dedication to the poor, the education of girls, the gathering of spiritually dedicated people in religious communities, the imparting of the knowledge of God’s love to people. She was indeed an instrument of wisdom and unity in her own time. Our celebration today sings of this unity in faith. Let us be inspired by our Patron Saint, St. Brigid of Kildare.



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.



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St Brigid’s Fitzroy North

WEEKDAY MASSES (in Chapel)
Monday-Friday 9:15am

WEEKEEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 6:00pm English 7:00pm Spanish Mass in Swahili 3 rd Sunday 5:00pm Mass in Brazilian Last Sunday 5:00pm	Sunday 9:45am English 11:00am Italian
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Reconciliation
Saturday 4:30pm – 5:30pm

Baptisms
Saturday 10:00am –12:30pm
Sunday 12noon

Baptism Workshop
Last Tuesday of Month 7.30pm

Weddings by appointment
Office 03 9489 6777

Divine Mercy and Adoration
2nd – 3rd – 4th Friday 6:30pm

Adoration 2nd Saturday 5:00pm

Faith Formation
1st Monday 9:45am
3rd Friday 7:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena
1st – 2nd – 3rd Wednesday 7:30pm

Sacred Heart Devotion
Mass in Spanish: 1st Friday 7:30pm

Consecration to Jesus through Mary
Prayer in Spanish Friday 7pm in the Chapel

St Brigid’s Food Pantry
1st Tuesday 11:00am
1st and 3rd Saturday 9:00pm

Parish Hall for Hire
Inquiries 0417534352

St Mark’s Princess Hill
Sunday
8:30am English – Italian
10:00am Portuguese

Dear friends,

Happy Feast Day of St Brigid of Kildare!



I would like to take this opportunity to thank and appreciate each and every one of you for being a joyful member of our parish family and contributing generously to the well-being of the Parish. Every one of us is God’s precious gift to and for each other. Our cultural diversity contributes to the richness and vibrancy of our parish. I acknowledge the presence of the English, Italian, Spanish, Filipino, Portuguese and Swahili speaking communities. We gather today to honour our diversity and celebrate our communion with the Lord and with one another as sisters and brothers in God’s family.

Let us ask the intercession of St Brigid, that *we may serve God in the people we meet as she did in a spirit of joy, with courage in the face of difficulties and with loving compassion for those in need.* May St Brigid pray for us and journey with us in carrying out our parish vision, “to bear witness to a missionary discipleship by remembering our history, honouring diversity, creating a safe and hospitable place, and celebrating communion.”

St Brigid of Kildare, Pray for us. Happy Feast Day!

Fr Frank, cs
Parish Priest

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