

**4 ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you. (Ps 85:3, 5)

**A reading from the Book of Jeremiah 20:7-9**

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have let myself be seduced; you have overpowered me: you were the stronger. I am a daily laughingstock, everybody's butt. Each time I speak the word, I have to howl and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!' The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long. I used to say, 'I will not think about him, I will not speak in his name any more.' Then there seemed to be a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones. The effort to restrain it wearied me, I could not bear it. *The word of the Lord.*

**Responsorial Psalm:**

**Response: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord, my God.**

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. **R/**

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise. **R/**

So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R/**

For you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast. **R/**

**A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Romans 12: 1-2**

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and worship him, I beg you, in a way that is worthy of thinking beings, by offering your living bodies as a holy sacrifice, truly pleasing to God. Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind. This is the only way to discover the will of God and know what is good, what it is that God wants, what is the perfect thing to do. *The Word of the Lord.*

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!** May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. *Alleluia!*

**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 16:21-27**

Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord;' he said 'this must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's. Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life? 'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.' *The Gospel of the Lord.*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you. (Ps 30:20)

**Entrance:**  
**HOLY GOD WE PRAISE THY NAME**



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Holy God, we praise Thy Name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee! All on earth Thy scepter claim, All in Heaven above adore Thee; Infinite Thy vast domain, Everlasting is Thy reign.

Hark! the loud celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising, cherubim and seraphim, in unceasing chorus praising; fill the heavens with sweet accord: Holy, holy, holy, Lord.

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name thee; while in essence only One, undivided God we claim thee; and adoring bend the knee, while we own the mystery.

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**Offertory:**  
**BLESSED BE GOD**

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Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation Thanks to your goodness, this bread we offer Fruit of the earth, work of our hands It will become the bread of life

**Refrain:**  
**Blessed be God, Blessed be God Blessed be God, forever Amen Blessed be God, Blessed be God Blessed be God, forever Amen**

Blessed are you Lord, God of all creation Thanks to your goodness, this wine we offer Fruit of the vine, work of our hands It will become the cup of joy *(Ref)*

**Communion:**  
**THESE ALONE ARE ENOUGH**

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Take my heart, O Lord, take my hopes and dreams. Take my mind with all its plans and schemes. Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.

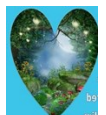


Take my thoughts, O Lord, and my memory. Take my tears, my joys, my liberty. Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.

I surrender Lord, all I have and hold. I return to you your gifts untold. Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.

When the darkness falls on my final days, take the very breath that sang your praise. Give me nothing more than your love and grace. These alone, O God, are enough for me.

**Final:**  
**LORD, WHOSE LOVE IN HUMBLE SERVICE**



Lord, whose love in humble service Bore the weight of human need, Who upon the cross, forsaken, Offered mercy's perfect deed: We, Your servants, bring the worship Not of voice alone, but heart; Consecrating to Your purpose Every gift which You impart.

Called from worship in to service, forth in your great name we go, to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show; hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid and peace we give, that your children, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.

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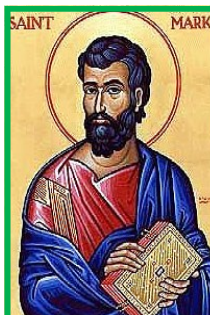
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*We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.*

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY -- AUGURI A TUTTI I PADRI**

**HOMILY NOTES:**

**PETER STUMBLES**

The anguish and tension experienced by Jeremiah is apparent also in the Gospel, Matt 16:21-27. Peter has just given expression to his God-given insight concerning the identity of Jesus and received in response blessing and appointment to a leading role in the church that Jesus will build. But when Jesus goes on to announce that, Son of God though he may be, he is destined to go to Jerusalem to suffer and die, Peter, who had so conspicuously got it right, equally conspicuously stumbles at the truth now being revealed: the more closely as '(beloved) Son' Jesus is related to God, the more closely he must be aligned with the divine will to enter into the pain and suffering of the world, to be the Son of Man who came "not to be served, but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many" (20:28). There is tension, then, between the understanding of Jesus and that of Peter and the other disciples. But, like Jeremiah, Jesus himself is not immune from feeling that tension. Peter's remonstrance is not harsh but subtle, 'God forbid, Lord. This sort of thing is not for you' – that is, not for 'the Son of the living God!'.

**TEMPTATION**

The suggestion is a real temptation, an echo of the third temptation (4:8-9) when Satan had tried to lure Jesus away from his God-given path by proposing an easy route to lordship of the world. Jesus, in fact, turns on Peter here in terms very similar to those with which on that earlier occasion (4:10) he had dismissed Satan: 'Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me'. Ironically, the 'Rock' has become a 'stumbling block'; the recipient of divine revelation is now setting (his) mind not on divine things but on human things. The strength of Jesus' response suggests that the temptation still lingers. It will emerge more powerfully still when, in the garden of Gethsemane, he stands immediately before an extremity of suffering (26:36-46). Once again, then, we see combined in Peter insight and leadership, on the one hand, and capacity for failure, on the other. His understandable human desire to preserve the Master from suffering actually aligns him with the demonic in a way that would thwart the entire mission. It is no kindness to Jesus – or to the world that he has come to save – to deflect him from the path the Father has set before him.

**TAKING UP ONE'S CROSS**

So, speaking more generally to all the disciples, Jesus goes on to lay down the conditions for any who want to follow him: it means taking up one's own cross and losing one's life in order to find it. This is the path that Jesus must go and the path that all who would seek association with him must also be prepared to embrace. The fact that the so recently exalted Peter had so much difficulty with it and even that Jesus had difficulty with it should be for us all a source of comfort. Christian discipleship is not Stoic indifference. Both Peter's remonstrance and Jeremiah's complaint will often echo in our hearts in the daily struggle to go with Jesus along the costly prophetic way.

*Excerpts from Fr Brendan Byrne SJ, 26 August 2023*  
<https://www.australiancatholics.com.au>



**RIFLESSIONE:**

Nella nostra tendenza innata a resistere a Dio, noi deformiamo la sua immagine, ci rifiutiamo di lasciare che Dio sia come vuole essere. Il nostro Dio è troppo piccolo, troppo fragile e troppo limitato, mentre il Dio di Gesù Cristo è letteralmente troppo bello per essere vero. Gesù si affretta a percorrere la via che porta a Gerusalemme per svelarcelo sulla croce. Sulla croce, infatti, Gesù rivelerà l'ultimo ritratto di Dio nel dramma della misericordia che vince il peccato, dell'amore che supera la morte e della fedeltà divina che cancella il tradimento. Chi avrebbe mai immaginato, sia pure in sogno, che Dio sarebbe intervenuto nella nostra storia in questo modo?

*Estratti da <https://www.lachiesa.it>*

**PRIESTS RETIREMENT FOUNDATION ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY APPEAL**  
*"Caring for those who care"*

**The appeal will take place at all masses this weekend. Special envelopes are available for your donation. "Caring for those who cared" Please give generously. Thank you!**

**FATHER'S DAY APPEAL:** *Questo weekend si terrà l'Appello a beneficio dei nostri sacerdoti anziani ed ammalati. Per favore fate uso delle buste per la vostra offerta. Siate generosi. Grazie!*

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](mailto:psu@cam.org.au) W:[melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding](http://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding)



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Day of the Week	Liturgical Calendar	Parish Activity	Parish Activity
<b>SATURDAY/SABATO</b> 2nd September, 2023 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year 'A' VIGIL	<i>"If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me".</i>		<b>6.00pm</b> Gaetano & Carmelina CAFARELLA  <b>7.00pm</b> Spanish Mass  <b>Wedding Celebrations:</b> <i>Lara CHIN &amp; David FIESCHI</i>  <b>Baptism Celebrations:</b> <i>Lucas MEDINA</i> <i>Reuben RAMIREZ</i> <i>Amy &amp; Ellie GLUSICA</i> <b>Congratulations!</b>
<b>SUNDAY/DOMENICA</b> 3rd September, 2023 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year 'A'	<i>"Se qualcuno vuole venire dietro a me, rinneghi se stesso, prenda la sua croce e mi segua".</i>	<b>8:30am</b> Santo & Vincenzo COLOSIMO Antonio, Salvatore & Mario RUSSO  <b>10:00 am</b> (Portuguese)	<b>9.45am</b> Pro Populo <b>11.00am</b> <i>Maria ALESSI (1st annv)</i> <i>Domenico BELLISSIMO</i> <i>e def. memb della famiglia</i> <i>Angelo PETRUCCI e def.</i> <i>membri della famiglia †</i>  <i>Alfonso CAPITO e defunti</i> <i>membri della famiglia</i> <i>e per tutti i padri</i> <i>Scalabriniani</i> <i>deceduti. †</i> <i>Riposino in pace.</i> 
<b>Monday/Lunedì</b> Year 'A' 4th September 2023 1 Thess 4:13-18 Lk 4:16-30	<b>Responsorial Psalm</b> <i>The Lord comes to judge the earth.</i>	<b>9.15am</b> Mass in the Chapel  <b>7.30pm</b> <i>Pietro BURZOMI</i> (1 month)	
<b>Tuesday/Martedì</b> Year 'A' 5th September 2023 1 Thess 5:1-6, 9-11: Lk 4:31-37	<b>Responsorial Psalm</b> <i>I believe I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.</i>	<b>9:15am</b> Mass in the Chapel	
<b>Wednesday/Mercoledì</b> 6th September 2023 Year 'A' Col 1:1-8: Lk 4:38-44	<b>Responsorial Psalm</b> <i>I trust in the kindness of God forever.</i>	<b>9.15am</b> Mass in the Chapel  <b>7.30pm</b> Mass and Novena in Honour to O.L.P.H.(Filipino Chap)	
<b>Thursday / Giovedì</b> 7th September 2023 Year 'A' Col 1:9-14 Lk 5:1-11	<b>Responsorial Psalm</b> <i>The Lord has made known his salvation.</i>	<b>9.15am</b> Mass in the Chapel <i>Mario MICHIELLI (10th ann.)</i>  <b>10.30am</b> Funeral Mass for <i>Severino ROMANIN</i> 	<i>Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Severino ROMANIN.</i> <i>May he rest in peace.</i>
<b>Friday / Venerdì</b> Year 'A' 8th September 2023 Micah 5:1-4 Mt 11-16, 18-23: The Nativity of the B.V.M	<b>Responsorial Psalm</b> <i>With delight I rejoice in the Lord.</i>	<b>9.15am</b> Mass in the Chapel  <b>THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>	

**"Let your light Shine" with Fr. Rob Galea** **INDONESIAN CATHOLIC FAMILY ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE**  
Will be holding an event especially for young catholic and anyone interested. **ST BRIGID'S PARISH HALL Saturday 30th September 2023** The event will start at 4.00pm with the presence of Fr. Rob Galea who will engage with the community through sermon and worship followed by Mass led by Fr. Rob at 5.30pm. Everyone is most welcome to attend.  
Contact person: Petter - 0405 846 222 or Evelyn - 0412 386 159.  
Please book through <https://www.trybooking.com/CKYLE>

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Religious classes will commence **THIS Sunday 3rd September 2023 after the 9.45am mass at 10.30am in the Media Room.** If you have, or know anyone who has child/children interested in attending, please ring Sr. Guadalupe from the Missionaries of Charity on 0405785710, the parish office on 94896777 or speak to Fr. Frank the parish priest.

<b>Parish Community</b> Parish Priest: Fr. Fransiskus (Frank) Yangmint,cs  Fr. Vito Pegolo, CS & Migrant Chaplain to the Italian Community: Tel: 0419 736 890	<b>Parish Office</b> Monday to Friday 9.30am - 4.30pm  Parish Secretary Giovanna Bellissimo & Maggy Mihardja  Tel: (03) 9489 6777	<b>Comunidad Pastoral De Habla Hispana</b>  Chaplain Fr. Gesner Felix, CS  Tel: (03) 9482 5362 Mob: 0432 214 910	<b>Comunidade Pastoral De Expressão Portuguesa</b>  Chaplain P. Fabio Esteban Duque Sepulveda, CS  Mob: 0410 001 462	<b>Filipino Pastoral Community</b>  Chaplain Mons. Joselito Asis  Tel: (03) 9482 5349 Mob: 0404 261 228
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Parish News...		Notizie di casa nostra...		
9th/10th September 2023	6pm (V) St.Brigid	8.30am St.Mark	9.45am S. Brigid	11am (It) St. Brigid
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	Volunteer	G. Piantella	J. Santos	P. La Marca
II Reading	Volunteer	G. Piantella	A. Senduk	T. Toscano
Prayers of the Faithful	Volunteer	G. Piantella	C. Goodson	G. Catena
Altar Servers			J. D'Souza	

**FOOD DONATION OPEN DAY**  
Every second weekend of the month after 7pm mass  
Every first Tuesday of the month from 11am-1pm  
At the PARISH HALL.  
  
**DONATION ACCEPTED**  
We welcome parishioners who would like to donate the non-perishable food to give out to the people who are in need. Please place all the donations in the basket at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity. God bless you.

**FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM IN OUR PARISH** Begins in September 2023:  
**Every First Monday of the month** (after 9:15AM Mass) at the ex-convent  
**Every 3rd Friday of the month** (after 6:30PM Holy Hour of Divine Mercy) at the Welcome Room


**The RCIA Program** begins in September 2023. Please contact the parish priest or office for more information.

**ENTRATA: QUANTA SETE NEL MIO CUORE**  
Quanta sete nel mio cuore: solo in Dio si spegnerà. Quanta attesa di salvezza: solo in Dio si sazierà. L'acqua viva che egli dà Sempre fresca sgorgherà.  
**Il Signore è la mia vita, il Signore è la mia gioia.**  
Se la strada si fa oscura Spero in lui: mi guiderà. Se l'angoscia mi tormenta, spero in lui : mi salverà. Non si scorda mai di me, presto a me riapparirà. **Rit.**  
Nel mattino io ti invoco: tu, mio Dio, risponderai. Nella sera rendo grazie: tu, mio Dio, ascolterai. Al tuo monte salirò E vicino ti vedrò **Rit.**

**PREGHIERA PER IL PAPÀ**  
*Signore, aiutami ad amare il mio papà. A manifestare a lui la mia riconoscenza per quello che ha fatto per me. Dona a lui la salute e lunga vita Benedici le sue fatiche e proteggilo da ogni pericolo, ti prego, la sua presenza sia un riflesso del tuo amore, e regni in lui la tua pace, il tuo amore, la tua grazia, e se non è più tra noi Signore, accoglilo accanto a te nella pace dei Santi. Amen.*  
**PRAYER FOR FATHERS**  
*Heavenly Father, we praise you for the gift of our fathers and those who have been father-figures to us. We thank you for the life and love they have brought to our world. May they always use their qualities for the glory and honour of your name We also pray for our spiritual Fathers in our parish may they be living signs of the presence of your Son. Amen*

**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.

**COMMUNIONE: UN CANTO IL CUORE INNALZA A TE**  
O mio Signor, allor che con amore Io miro il ciel che fece il tuo voler E lo splendor di stelle o sento il tuono E il mondo inter che narra il tuo poter.  
**Un canto il cuor innalza a te, Signor: "Grande sei tu! Grande sei tu!"**  
**Un canto il cuor innalza a te, Signor: "Grande sei tu! Grande sei tu!"**  
Allor che vó vagando su pei monti E degli uccel io sento il cinguettar E vedo giù gl'immensi prati verdi E d'un ruscel ascolto il mormorar. **Rit.**  
E nel pensar che il Salvator qui in terra Venne a soffrir per l'uomo peccator, ch'Egli portò sul Golgota i miei mali e che morì per darmi pace e amor. **Rit.**  
Quando Gesù ritornerà dal; cielo E gioia piena a me darà lassù Mi prostrerò davanti al suo bel trono Per proclamar: Signor, grande sei tu! **Rit.**

**Online Giving:** If anyone wishes to make a donation online to the parish this is the link to [St. Brigid's Parish North Fitzroy](https://melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=622453) or you can scan the bar code and it will take you straight to the link.  
  
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**Pd. GIOVANNI RACCANELLO RIP**  
Una santa Messa in suo suffraggio verrà celebrata qui a Santa Brigida Domenica 17 Settembre 2023 alle ore 11.00am. Tutti benvenuti!

**An Invitation to Connect with Aboriginal Spirituality**  
434 St Georges Rd, Thornbury on one of the following dates:  
Wednesday, 13th September 2023  
Friday, 6th October 2023  
Friday, 13th October 2023  
**From 10am-2.30pm**  
RSVP by 5th September to [odette.locastro@cam.org.au](mailto:odette.locastro@cam.org.au)

**PLEASE NOTE!**  
Every 2nd Saturday of the month the 6.00pm Mass starts at 5.00pm with Adoration and Benediction Followed by Mass. All welcome! (next one is NEXT Saturday 9th September at 5.00pm)

**FINE: ANDRÓ A VEDERLA UN DÍ**  
Andró a vederla un dí In cielo patria mia. André a veder Maria, Mia gioia e mio amor.  
**Al cielo al cielo, al ciel, André a vederla un dí. Al cielo al cielo, al ciel, André a vederla un dí.**  
Andró a vederla un dí: É il grido di speranza, Che infondemi costanza Nel viaggio e fra i dolor.  
**Al cielo al cielo, al ciel, André a vederla un dí. (X2)**  
Andró a vederla un dí, Lasciando questo esilio; Le poserò qual figlio Il capo sopra il cuor.  
**Al cielo al cielo, al ciel, André a vederla un dí. (X2)**