

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect. None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

- Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' (R.)
- The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds.
I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die. (R.)
- The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. (R.)

A reading from the first letter of St John

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness – since the Spirit is the truth. *The Word of the Lord.*

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe! **Alleluia!**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.' 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name. *The Gospel of the Lord.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

**ENTRATA
NOI CANTEREMO GLORIA**

Noi canteremo gloria a Te,
Padre che dai la vita,
Dio d'immensa carità,
Trinità infinita.

Tutto il creato vive in Te,
segno della tua gloria;
tutta la storia ti darà
onore e vittoria.

La tua Parola venne a noi,
annuncio del tuo dono;
la tua Promessa porterà
salvezza e perdono.

Vieni, Signore, in mezzo ai tuoi
vieni nella tua casa:
dona la pace e l'unità,
raduna la tua Chiesa.

**OFFERTORIO
UNA SPIGA DORATA**

*Una spiga dorata dal sol
Ed un grappol che coglie il vignaiol
Si trasforma ora in pane
e vino d'amor*

*E nel Corpo e nel Sangue
del Signor*

Comunione formiamo insieme,
Seminati nel campo come grano,
un molino che macina le gioie e i dolor
Dio ci fa eucaristia nell'amor.
Rit.

Come grano che forma il pan,
Come note tessute nel cantar,
Come gocce raccolte
tra le sponde del mar.
I cristiani un solo corpo formeran. **Rit.**

**COMUNIONE
TI RINGRAZIO, O MIO SIGNORE**

Ti ringrazio, o mio Signore,
per le cose che sono nel mondo,
per la vita che tu mi hai donato,
per l'amore che tu nutri per me.

**Alleluia, O mio Signore!
Alleluia, O Dio del Cielo!
Alleluia, O mio Signore!
Alleluia, O Dio del Ciel!**

Come il pane che abbiamo spezzato
Era sparso in grano sui colli,
così unisci noi, sparsi nel mondo,
in un Corpo che sia solo per te. **Rit.**

Quell'amore che unisce te al Padre
Sia la forza che unisce i fratelli
ed il mondo conosca la pace:
la tua gioia regni sempre tra noi. **Rit.**

**FINE
DELL'AURORA**

Dell'aurora Tu sorgi più bella,
coi tuoi raggi, a far lieta la terra,
e fra gli astri che il cielo rinserra
non vi è stella più bella di Te.

**Bella Tu sei qual sole
Bianca più della luna,
e le stelle le più belle
non son belle al par di Te.**

Gli occhi tuoi son più belli del mare
La tua fronte ha il colore del giglio,
Le tue gote, baciato dal Figlio,
son due rose, e le labbra son fior.

T'incoronano dodici stelle.
Al tuo piè piegano l'ali del vento
Della luna s'incurva l'argento
Il tuo manto ha il colore del ciel.

**FITZROY NORTH PARISH**

The Parish Community of St. Brigid's and St. Mark's

Archdiocese of Melbourne

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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.

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Weekly Parish Newsletter

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St Brigid's Fitzroy North**WEEKDAY MASSES (in Chapel)**

Monday-Friday 9:15am

WEEKEND MASS TIMES**Saturday Vigil**

6:00pm English

7:00pm Spanish

Mass in Swahili

3rd Sunday 5:00pm

Sunday

9:45am English

11:00am Italian

Mass in Brazilian

Last Sunday 5:00pm

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

CCR (Emmaus & Maranatha Prayer Groups)

Monday 6pm & Saturday 9.30am

in old convent

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

**Homily notes:****Blessed are Those who Believe MY LORD AND MY GOD**

With the divine 'courtesy' that is characteristic of the risen Lord in all the appearance stories of the gospels, Jesus is prepared, eight days later, to meet Thomas' conditions exactly. Before the risen Lord in person, however, Thomas abandons them and makes the most exalted act of faith contained

in the Gospel: 'My Lord and my God!'. The confession takes us back to the Prologue: '... the Word was with God and the Word was God' (1:1); 'No one has ever seen God; it is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known' (1:18). At this climactic moment of the Gospel it is Thomas, the late-comer, the obtuse one, the doubter, who proclaims the full identity of Jesus. But that is not the end. Jesus adds a comment that brings us into the picture too. Thomas has believed because, like Mary Magdalene (20:16) and the other disciples present in the room, he has seen the risen Jesus. Others – succeeding generations of believers – will not see Jesus. Unlike Thomas, they have to believe simply on the report handed down in the Church's preaching: 'We have seen the Lord'. On them – on us, that is – Jesus pronounces a blessing: 'Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe'. Why 'blessed'? Because from them/from us a faith greater than that of Thomas and the others will be required: the greater the faith the more scope for the power of God.

Excerpts from Fr Brendan Byrne SJ 21 March 2024 <https://www.australiancatholics.com.au>

RIFLESSIONE

Quando, risuscitato dai morti, si mostrò agli apostoli, Gesù offrì loro innanzi tutto la pace, prezioso dono del riscatto. Quando si mostrò a loro, disse ai suoi discepoli: "Pace a voi!". Vedendoli spaventati e sperduti, li rassicurò dicendo loro che era proprio lui, risuscitato dai morti, e ripeté loro: "Pace a voi!". Gesù ha voluto fare questo dono prezioso del riscatto - la pace - e l'ha fatto, non solo agli apostoli, ma anche a tutti quelli che credevano e avrebbero creduto in lui. È per questo che mandò gli apostoli a proclamare il Vangelo della redenzione in tutti i paesi del mondo, dando loro il potere di portare la pace dell'anima per mezzo dei sacramenti del battesimo e del pentimento, per mezzo dell'assoluzione dai peccati. Inoltre, in quell'occasione, Cristo soffiò sugli apostoli e disse loro: "Ricevete lo Spirito Santo; a chi rimetterete, i peccati saranno rimessi e a chi non li rimetterete resteranno non rimessi". E il salmo ci rassicura: "Grande pace per chi ama la tua legge".

Estratti da <https://www.lachiesa.it> 3/4/24

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**
Telephone :9926 5621 E:psu@cam.org.au W:melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding

2 Liturgical Calendar and activities

Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/SABATO 6 th April 2024 Year "B" 2 nd Sunday of Easter			6.00pm Mass 7.00pm Spanish Mass	Congratulation for Sebastian and Indianna for the baptism
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 7 th April 2024 Year "B" 2 nd Sunday of Easter DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY		8:30am 10:00am <i>Portuguese Mass</i>	9.45am PRO POPULO 11.00am MADONNA DEL GRUMENTINO , Rocco e Vincenzina Di Mase, Luigi Toscano †	DIVINE MERCY by the Spanish Speaking Catholic Community <i>From 2.00 -5.00 pm at the church</i>
Monday/Lunedí 8 th April 2024 The Annunciation of the Lord	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will</i>		9.15am Mass in the chapel	
Tuesday/Martedì 9 th April 2024	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The Lord is King; he is robed in majesty</i>		9:15am Mass in the chapel	
Wednesday/Mercoledì 10 th April 2024	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The Lord hears the cry of the poor</i>		9.15am Mass in the chapel 7.30pm Mass & Novena in Honour to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Filipino Chaplaincy)	
THURSDAY/GIOVEDÌ 11 th April 2024 St. Stanislaus	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The Lord hears the cry of the poor</i>		9.15am Mass in the chapel	
FRIDAY/VENERDÌ 12 th April 2024	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>One thing I seek: to dwell in the house of the Lord</i>		9.15am Mass in the chapel	

13 th and 14 th March 2024	6pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45am St. Brigid's	11.00am St. Brigid
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	M. de Souza	G. Piantella	D. Dunlevie	T. Toscano
II Reading	M. de Souza	G. Piantella	C. Goodson	G. Catena
Prayers of the Faithful	M. de Souza	G. Piantella	K. Chang	P. La Marca

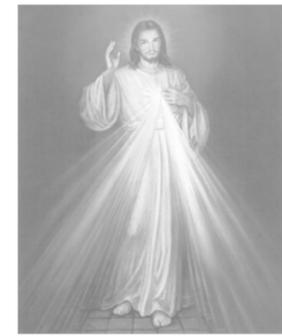
Altar Servers			C&C Smith	Frank Sirianni
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MADONNA DEL GRUMENTINO
Oggi celebriamo la Madonna Del Grumentino (Santa Maria, Salute degli Infermi). Santa Messa celebrata da P. Frank, canti eseguiti da Pd. Raffaele Rossi, segue la processione con la Banda Bellini. (Mezzora prima dell'inizio della Santa Messa, la Banda Bellini si eseguirà davanti l'entrata della chiesa).
Buona Festa!

Divine Mercy Sunday organized by the Spanish Speaking Catholic Community
All are welcome here St. Brigid's Church, **Next Sunday 7th April**, to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday 2.00 to 5.00pm pm. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Blessing. Holy Rosary, Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, Holy Mass. Confessions in different languages.



Safeguarding and Wellbeing of Children and Young People Policy

The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne's Safeguarding Children and Young People (SCYP) Framework version 2.0, is now available. These documents **replace all previous versions**, including the Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy and the May Our Children Flourish Child Safety Code of Conduct.

Please find all the information about the Safeguarding policy through this link:

[Safeguarding | Melbourne Catholic](#)



St. Brigid's School Updated
As we have been aware of, St Brigid's School has been vacant since Simonds College has left us in June 2023. Thankfully, we are currently in the process of negotiations with a potential tenant.

I invite you to continue supporting us in this process, hopefully, a fruitful one. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the parish office or the parish priest.

Thank you very much for your collaboration. Fr Frank, Parish Priest.

RCIA (The Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults)
The RCIA process invites people to embark on a journey of faith in **Jesus Christ**, guided by the whole parish community, catechists, and sponsors. It's a beautiful exploration of living life as a **Catholic Christian**

RCIA Sessions will start in early **September 2024** if you are interested or know someone that would like to join, please contact the Parish Office for registration.

The catechumens and candidates will receive the Sacraments of initiation (baptism, confirmation and Holy Eucharist) at Easter Vigil in 2025.



Mission: Transform Lives - theirs...and yours

Have you been considering whether an overseas professional placement with Palms is for you? Wanting to share your skills with communities in the Pacific, Asia or Africa to help develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty?
Come to Palms' Discovery information session at Sacred Heart Oakleigh on 22 April . Meet our director Soraya and former Palms participants to find out more about Assignments Aboard.
Venue: Sacred Heart PRIMARY School
Address: 2 Mora Ave, Oakleigh
Date: Monday 22nd April 2024
Time: 5:30pm to 6:30pm

Further information please contact Palms on 02 9560 5333 or email palms@palms.org.au

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.
<https://melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=622453>

Sacrament of Confirmation
Classes will begin on Sunday, 14th April 2024 at 10.30am. For more information, please contact Sr. Guadalupe. The celebration will be on **the 14th July 2024 at 10.30am.**

Parish Pastoral Plan 2024 WORKSHOP ON INTERCULTURALITY
First Session held on 20th July 2024 for Leaders and designated volunteers only
Our parish is blessed with diversity of gifts of people, languages, cultures and traditions. We are an English, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Filipino, and Swahili speaking communities. We have been doing our best to be more intercultural than multicultural by having common parish activities where we encounter each other and organise events together. However, we want to go deeper than just seeing each other and tolerating each other's differences. We want to deeply understand and embrace each other's culture and tradition, which is a way to live out our parish vision to **"bear witness to a missionary discipleship."**
For this reason, the Parish Pastoral Council organises the Workshop on Interculturality this year guided by Sr Cathy Solano RSM, an expert on the topic.

Parish Vision and Mission
Inspired by the Holy Scriptures and Tradition, we, the intercultural Parish Community of St Brigid's and St Mark's, are called to bear witness to a missionary discipleship by remembering our history, honouring diversity, creating a safe and hospitable place, and celebrating communion.

Please note that all the Priests apart from Mons. Joselito will be away from the 8th to 12th April 2024 as they will attend the annual general assembly in Sydney. Morning masses will be celebrated as usual.

St. Brigid & St. Mark Collection

1 st Collection	\$1,710.00
2 nd Collection	\$1,000.00
Envelopes	\$ 82.00