

4 ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

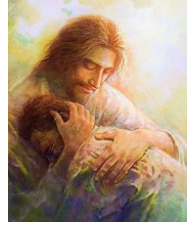
First Reading: A reading from the book of Job (7:1-4, 6-7)

Job began to speak: Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery? Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages, months of delusion I have assigned to me, nothing for my own but nights of grief. Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?' Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!' Restlessly I fret till twilight falls. Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind. Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy.
The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm (46:1-6. R. v.3)

Response:
Praise the Lord who heals the broken hearted.

Praise the Lord for he is good; sing to our God for he is loving; to him our praise is due. **(R.)**



The Lord builds up Jerusalem and brings back Israel's exiles, he heals the broken-hearted, he binds up all their wounds. He fixes the number of the stars; he calls each one by its name. **(R.)**

Our Lord is great and almighty; his wisdom can never be measured. The Lord raises the lowly; he humbles the wicked to the dust. **(R.)**

Second Reading: A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (9:16-19, 22-23)

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me. So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessings.
The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation (Matthew 8:17) Alleluia, alleluia! He bore our sickness, and endured our suffering. Alleluia!

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Mark (1:29-39)

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them. That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was. In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.
The Gospel of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

Canto D'Ingresso:

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!

Offertorio :

O SIGNORE, NOI T'OFFRIAMO

O Signore, noi t'offriamo Tutti insieme questo pane; è il frutto della terra e dell'uomo che lavora. Benedetto sia tu, Signore; questo pane che mangiamo è un dono del tuo amore è un segno di bontà.

O Signore, noi t'offriamo Tutti insieme questo vino; è il frutto della vite e dell'uomo che lavora Benedetto sia tu, Signore; questo vino che beviamo è un dono del tuo amore è un segno di bontà.

O Signore, noi t'offriamo tutto quello che ci hai dato: con il pane e con il vino tu accettalo, Signor. Benedetto sia tu, Signore; che divenga per noi cibo e bevanda di salvezza ciò che presentiamo a te.

Communione: DOV'È CARITÀ E AMORE

Dov'è carità e amore, qui c'è Dio
Ci ha riuniti tutti insieme, Cristo amore: godiamo esultanti nel Signore! Temiamo e amiamo il Dio vivente, e amiamoci tra noi con cuore sincero. **Rit.**

Noi formiamo, qui riuniti, un solo corpo: evitiamo di dividerci tra noi: via le lotte maligne, via le liti, e regni in mezzo a noi Cristo, Dio. **Rit.**

Chi non ama resta sempre nella notte e dall'ombra della morte non risorge; ma se noi camminiamo nell'amore, noi saremo veri figli della luce. **Rit.**

Nell'amore di colui che ci ha salvati, rinnovati dallo Spirito del Padre, tutti uniti sentiamoci fratelli, e la gioia diffondiamo sulla terra. **Rit.**

Imploriamo con fiducia il Padre Santo perché doni ai nostri giorni la sua pace: ogni popolo dimentichi rancori, ed il mondo si rinnovi nell'amore. **Rit.**

Fine: TI SALUTIAM, O VERGINE

Ti salutiam, o Vergine, O Maria tutta pura, Nessuna creatura È bella come te.

Prega per noi Maria, Prega per i figli tuoi Madre che tutto puoi, Abbi di noi pietà.

Di stelle risplendenti In ciel sei incoranata, Tu sei l'Immacolata Sei Madre di Gesù. **Prega per noi Maria....**

Vorrei salire in cielo, Vedere il tuo bel viso, Madre del Paradiso, Goder con te Gesù. **Prega per noi Maria....**



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.



FITZROY NORTH PARISH

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Weekly Parish Newsletter

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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	Sunday 9:45am English 11:00am Italian
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Mass in Swahili
3rd Sunday 5:00pm
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

Catholic Charismatic Renewal (CCR)
Monday 6-9pm in the Chapel

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

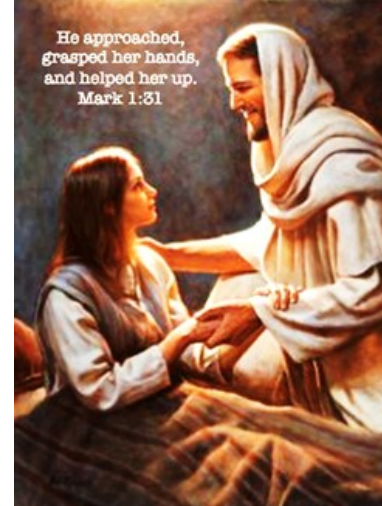
Ijitos de Maria Wednesday 7pm in the Chapel

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

Reflection
Jesus took her by the hand.




We sometimes come to Mass poor, sick and troubled, much like the people who crowd around the door of Jesus in today's Gospel. In this Mass let us express our needs to Jesus. Let us ask him to take us by the hand and help us as he helped Simon's mother-in-law. Then, with our spirits uplifted, we will go out from Mass with a renewed desire to share God's love with others.
Saint Pauls Sunday Missal, 646

Riflessione
Gesù passa tra noi e ci guarisce. Ci ha rigenerati e guariti con la grazia del battesimo e ci rinnova ogni giorno con la sua misericordia. Siamo dei salvati, ma lo siamo per essere segno del Cristo presso i nostri fratelli e le nostre sorelle. La suocera di Pietro dà ad ognuno di noi l'esempio di chi, guarito dal Cristo, sceglie di servire. Le folle cercano Gesù attratte da ciò che egli dice e dai segni che opera. È la carità che le richiama e la carità è certamente il segno più luminoso e distintivo di ogni comunità cristiana. Ma per essere davvero testimoni e annunciatori del Cristo occorre ancorare la propria vita nella preghiera e nella contemplazione: Gesù si ritira a pregare solo in un luogo deserto e indica la strada maestra che dobbiamo seguire se vogliamo essere suoi veri discepoli.
Estratti da <https://www.lachiesa.it> 31/01/24

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 3 rd February 2024 Year "B" 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time			6.00pm 7.00pm Spanish Mass	
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 4 th February 2024 Year "B" 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time		8:30am Pro Populo 10:00am (Portuguese)	9.45am 11.00am Olinda SAGRADA †	
Monday/Lunedì 5 th February 2024 St. Agatha, virgin martyr	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Lord, go up to the</i> <i>place of your rest!</i>		9.15am Mass in the chapel 7.00pm Luigi MARCON (1 st mth)	
Tuesday/Martedì 6 th February 2024 St. Paul Miki & comp., martyrs	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>How lovely is your</i> <i>dwelling-place,</i> <i>Lord, mighty God!</i>		9:15am Mass in the chapel	6.00pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Welcome In Room
Wednesday/Mercoledì 7 th February 2024	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The mouths of the</i> <i>just murmur</i> <i>wisdom.</i>		9.15am Mass in the chapel 7.30pm Mass in honour to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Filipino Chaplaincy) Church	
Thursday/Giovedì 8 th February 2024	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Lord, remember us,</i> <i>for the love you</i> <i>bear your people.</i>		9.15am Mass in the chapel	
Friday/Venerdì 9 th February 2024	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>I am the Lord, your</i> <i>God: hear my voice.</i>		9.15am Mass in the chapel	

CALL OUT.... We want to hear from older Australians and their families... **THIS IS A PAID OPPORTUNITY**

The TAC (Vic Gov) wants to assist people with an information hub on their website - capturing stories about people who have made the decision to stop or reduce the amount of driving they're doing. To do this we need your stories...

Do you have an older family member, friend or neighbour who has given up their license or is considering alternatives to driving? Are you someone who has stopped driving in the last few years? - Are you considering giving up your license? Are you still driving but have upgraded your car to include more safety features for peace of mind?

If this is you or someone you know we would love to hear from you. We are looking for 7 people who are happy to be interviewed on camera about their thoughts and experiences around this transition period.

Please contact Production Coordinator Marisa Bartolini ASAP to hear more about the project...Best contacts are - mob: 0438 010 669 email: marisa@whistlingwolf.com.au <https://www.whistlingwolf.com.au/>

10 th and 11 th February 2024	6pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45am S. Brigid	11am (It) St. Brigid
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	M. De Souza	G. Piantella	S. De Castro	G. Catena
II Reading	M. De Souza	G. Piantella	C. Goodson	P. La Marca
Prayers of the Faithful	M. De Souza	G. Piantella	D. Dunlevie	T. Toscano
Altar Servers			C & C Smith	Frank Sirianni

 **The Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo - Scalabrinians - www.Scalabrini.org**
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PLEASE MARK IN YOUR DIARY
SUNDAY 18th February 2024
FEAST OF SAINT BRIGID of Kildare
"Our Patron Saint" The parish, together with the Italian, Filipino, Spanish, Portuguese and Swahili Communities will come together to celebrate this very special feast with only **ONE combined Mass at 10.30am** with Procession.
Lunch, entertainment and drawing of the raffle will follow in the parish hall. All welcome!

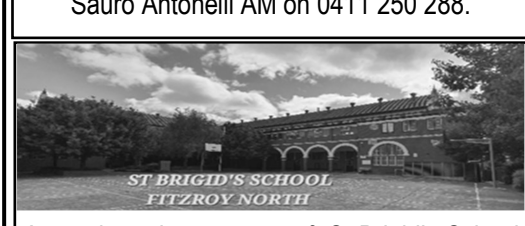
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VOSTRO DIARIO - DOMENICA
18 FEBBRAIO 2024 FESTA DI
SANTA BRIGIDA "Nostra Patrona"
Uniti alle comunità Italiana, Filipina,
Spagnola, Portoghese e Swahili
celebriamo questa festa con inizio
alle **10.30am** con Processione e
Santa Messa.
*Pranzo, intrattenimento e estrazione
della lotteria seguirà nella sala
parrocchiale.*
**Notate! In questo giorno si celebrerà
soltanto questa unica messa.**

Raffle Tickets available now to raise funds for new church carpet.
The draw will take place on the 18th February 2024 St. Brigid's Feast Day. Price only \$2.00per ticket
1st Prize \$1,000 Travel Voucher
2nd Prize \$ 500 Gift Voucher
3rd Prize \$ 250 Gift Voucher
10 Consolation Prizes \$100 Gift Voucher
For more information please contact:
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 **EASTER COMES EARLY THIS YEAR**
ASH WEDNESDAY is on 14th February 2024
PALM SUNDAY is on 24th March 2024
GOOD FRIDAY is on 29th March 2024
EASTER SUNDAY is on 31st March 2024

St. Brigid & St. Mark Collection
1st Collection \$660.00
2nd Collection \$400.00
Envelopes \$ 99.00


ORDER OF MALTA
LOURDES DAY MASS
NEXT SATURDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2024
For some years now, the Order of Malta has organised an annual Lourdes Day Mass to provide an opportunity to pray for the sick and infirm particularly for those who would not otherwise have the possibility of visiting Lourdes. The Mass will take place again *Next Saturday, 10th February at 10.30am at St Patrick's Cathedral,* with Archbishop Peter A Comensoli as the principal celebrant.
For further information, please contact: Sauro Antonelli AM on 0411 250 288.




As we have been aware of, St Brigid's School has been vacant since Simonds College has left us in June 2023. Initially, the Mercy Academy wanted to utilise the site, but unfortunately, they have decided not to go ahead with the plan. Therefore, we are still looking for other possible tenants, preferably, catholic schools or offices, for a short-term lease (3 years or more). With the help of the Archdiocese, we are looking into a possibility for a long-term use of the facility (e.g., Aged Care). I would like to invite all parishioners to be involved in the process. Let us reflect and plan together on what the future prospects of our parish would be like especially regarding the possibility of offering the site to an Aged Care Residence. Your thoughts and recommendations would be greatly appreciated. Thank you very much for your collaboration.
Fr Frank, Parish Priest.

'The breath of faith':
Pope Francis inaugurates Year of Prayer
On Sunday 21 January, Pope Francis officially inaugurated the Year of Prayer ahead of the 2025 Jubilee. In comments after the Sunday Angelus, Pope Francis spoke about our need of 'rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer, prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church, prayer in the world.' Archbishop Peter A Comensoli, who was recently in Rome, has recorded a special message for the local church of Melbourne in which he suggests three simple prayers that can open up our lives. 'Our Father ... Hail Mary ... Glory Be ... Just to say those three prayers each day would be a lovely thing.' (You can go to the Archdiocese *Utube* if you wish to listen to the message)

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>

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Is now available for donation.

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM
IN OUR PARISH
will resume in February 2024

 **HOLY HOUR OF DIVINE MERCY**
will resume in February 2024
every 2nd, 3rd & 4th Friday at 6.30pm in St Brigid's Church, North Fitzroy.

Prayer to St. 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!

PELLEGRINAGGIO IN ONORE DELLA MADONNA DI LOURDES
Domenica 11 Febbraio al Calabria Club,
5 Uniting Lane, Bulla
10am Arrivo della Statua
Confessioni e Recita del S. Rosario
11.00am Messa Solenne
Celebrante: Vescovo Terry Curtin
Cantante e musicista per la giornata
Padre Raffaele Rossi
2.30pm 2^{da} Messa e Consacrazione.
Celebrante: Pd. Bruno Carrera
4.00pm Processione e Benedizione
Eucharistica
Tutta la comunità é invitata.