

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame. (Ps 24:1-3)

A reading from the second Book of Isaiah (2:1-5) The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In the days to come the mountain of the Temple of the Lord shall tower above the mountains and be lifted higher than the hills. All the nations will stream to it, peoples without number will come to it; and they will say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the Temple of the God of Jacob that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.' He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples; these will hammer their swords into ploughshares, their spears into sickles. Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war. O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord. **The Word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm:

Response: Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

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/**

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/**

His ways are faithfulness and love for those who keep his covenant and will. The Lord's friendship is for those who revere him; to them he reveals his covenant. **R/**

A reading from the Second Letter to the Romans (13:11-14) You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon – let us give up all the things we prefer to do under cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (24:37-44)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left. 'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect. **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Communion Antiphon: The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase. (Ps 84:13)

ENTRANCE:

O COME DIVINE MESSIAH

O come, divine Messiah!
The world in silence waits the day
When hope shall sing its triumph,
And sadness flee away.

**Ref: Dear Saviour haste;
Come, come to earth,
Dispel the night
and show your face,
and bid us hail the dawn of grace.
O come, divine Messiah!
The world in silence waits the day
When hope shall sing its triumph,
And sadness flee away.**

O Christ, whom nations sigh for,
Whom priest and prophet long foretold,
Come break the captive's fetters;
Redeem the long-lost fold. **(ref)**

You come in peace and meekness,
And lowly will your cradle be;
All clothed in human weakness
Shall we your Godhead see. **(ref)**



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OFFERTORY:

LORD PREPARE ME

Lord prepare me
to be a sanctuary
pure and holy
tried and true...

With thanksgiving
I'll be a living
Sanctuary
for you...



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**Six30 Holy Hour
ST. PATRICK'S
CATHEDRAL
1 Cathedral Place
East Melbourne
Every Thursday
nights
at 6.30pm
All welcome.**

COMMUNION:

WAITING IN SILENCE

Waiting in silence, waiting in hope,
we are your people, we long for you,
Lord, Lord God, ever with us, Emmanuel.
Come Lord Jesus. Maranatha!

Waiting in silence, waiting in hope,
we are your people, we trust in your love.
O Sun of Justice, true Prince of Peace,
Come with your justice,
Lord. Maranatha!

Waiting in silence, waiting in hope,
we are your people, Lord,
we seek your truth.
Wisdom Incarnate, teach us your way;
Show us the path of life. Maranatha!

Waiting in silence, waiting in hope,
we are your people, we long for new life.
O Key of David, open our hearts.
Give us new vision, Lord. Maranatha!

Waiting in silence, waiting in hope,
we are your people,
our hearts thirst for you.
Flower of Jesse, bloom in our midst.
Make us your garden,
Lord. Maranatha!
Make us your garden, Lord. Maranatha!

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FINAL:

**COME THOU LONG
EXPECTED JESUS**

Come, Thou long-
expected Jesus, born to set Thy
people free;
from our fears and sins release
us; let us find our rest in Thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth Thou art;
dear desire of every nation, joy of
every longing heart.

Born Thy people to deliver,
born a child, and yet a King,
born to reign in us forever, now
Thy gracious kingdom bring.

By Thine own eternal Spirit rule in
all our hearts alone;
by Thine all sufficient merit, raise
us to Thy glorious throne.

A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

**St Patrick's Cathedral.
Sunday 18 Dec. 3pm - 4.30pm**
A family concert of traditional
and modern Christmas
favourites, featuring Brass,
Organ and Choir. Tickets \$25 at
door or via trybooking.
15yrs and under free.



Weekly Parish Newsletter

Bollettino Parrocchiale Settimanale

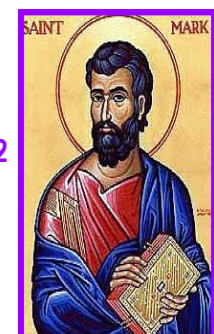
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*We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand.
We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.*

Homily Notes:

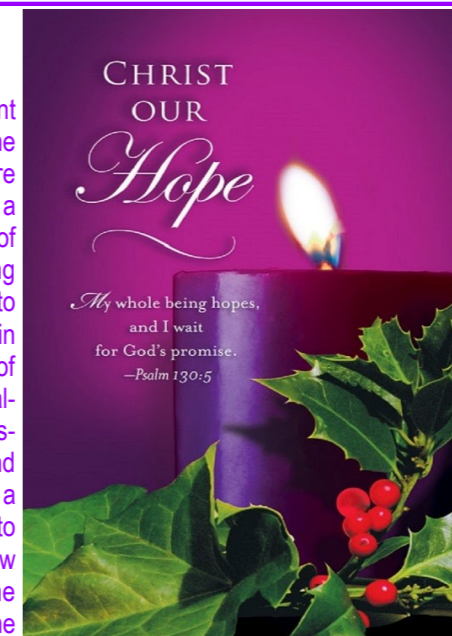
VISION OF PEACE

The readings for Advent begin with a magnificent passage from the early chapters of Isaiah, the prophet whose writings will dominate the entire season. The First Reading (Isa 2:1-5) gives us a vision of salvation which essentially a vision of peace. The nations of the world, instead of going up against Jerusalem to attack it, will propose to each other that they should go up to "the mountain of the Temple of the Lord" to learn "the ways" of Israel's God. There they will freely imbibe the values of true humanity and peace enshrined in Israel's law. Instructed in this way, they will respond by hammering their swords into ploughshares – a marvellous expression of commitment no longer to wage war but to work together building a new order of peace. The appeal of such a vision at the present time hardly needs to be stressed. The controlling image in the Second Reading, from Rom 13:11-14, is that of people who rise from their beds just before dawn so as to be up and about ready to begin the new day. Paul appeals to the community in Rome to be who they are: "people of the light" and "of the day". Though it is still dark – in the sense that salvation is not complete – they must begin to live as though it were day. They must put aside the kind of behaviour that people get up to during the night. (Paul's list rather closely reflects accounts of Roman society mores in secular writers.) They must live as people whose lives are already bathed in the dawning light of the risen Lord.

NOTE OF WATCHFULNESS

The Gospel, from Matt 24:37-44, is perhaps the least attractive of the three readings. Striking the same note of watchfulness, Jesus' prophetic warning stresses the suddenness and unexpectedness of the arrival of the Son of Man. His followers must not allow themselves to be so absorbed in the everyday affairs of life (eating, drinking, taking wives and husbands) as to be taken unawares. The message is reinforced in the second part by an image to which Jesus frequently appealed: that of burglar breaking into a house at night. We should not allegorise the image, applying all its details to the way God acts in our regard. Jesus does not want to suggest that God deliberately waits to catch us out and find us wanting. The image makes the simple point that since one never knows when a burglar (in contrast to any other kind of visitor) will strike, a prudent householder will not become absorbed and distracted by all kinds of activities but will keep a sharp ear and keen eye for anything unusual. Christian life involves keeping a sharp ear and a keen eye for the coming of the Lord – not just his coming at the end of time but his coming in all the varieties and guises in which, as the Gospel and Christian spirituality instructs, he comes into our lives on a daily basis.

Fr Brendan Byrne SJ, *The Australian Catholics*, 20 November 2022



Note dell'Omelia:

VISIONE DI PACE

Le letture per l'Avvento iniziano con un magnifico passaggio dai primi capitoli di Isaia, il profeta i cui scritti domineranno l'intera stagione. La prima Lettura (Isa 2, 1-5) ci dà una visione di salvezza che essenzialmente è una visione di pace. Le nazioni del mondo, invece di andare contro Gerusalemme per attaccarla, si proporranno di salire sul "monte del Tempio del Signore" per imparare "le vie" del Dio di Israele. Lì essi potranno liberamente assorbire i valori della vera umanità e della pace sanciti nella legge di Israele. Istruiti in questo modo, risponderanno martellando le loro spade in aratri - una meravigliosa espressione di impegno non più a fare la guerra, ma a lavorare insieme per costruire un nuovo ordine di pace. Il fascino di una tale visione al momento non ha bisogno di essere sottolineato. L'immagine dominante della Seconda Lettura, tratta da Rm 13,11-14, è quella di persone che si alzano

dal letto poco prima dell'alba per alzarsi e prepararsi ad iniziare il nuovo giorno. Paolo fa appello alla comunità di Roma perché sia chi è: "popolo della luce" e "del giorno". Anche se è ancora buio - nel senso che la salvezza non è completa - devono cominciare a vivere come se fosse giorno. Devono mettere da parte il genere di comportamento che la gente ottiene fino a durante la notte. (la lista del Paul piuttosto strettamente riflette i resoconti dei costumi della società romana in scrittori secolari.) Devono vivere come persone la cui vita è già immersa nella luce nascente del Signore risorto.

NOTA DI VIGILANZA

Il Vangelo, da Matteo 24:37-44, è forse il meno attraente delle tre letture. Colpendo la stessa nota di vigilanza, l'avvertimento profetico di Gesù sottolinea la repentinità e l'inaspettata dell'arrivo del Figlio dell'uomo. I suoi seguaci non devono permettersi di essere così assorbiti negli affari quotidiani della vita (mangiare, bere, prendere mogli e mariti) da essere presi alla sprovvista. Il messaggio è rafforzato nella seconda parte da un'immagine a cui Gesù si appellava spesso: quella di scassinare una casa di notte. Non dobbiamo allegoricare l'immagine, applicando tutti i suoi dettagli al modo in cui Dio agisce nei nostri confronti. Gesù non vuole suggerire che Dio attenda deliberatamente di coglierci fuori e trovarci carenti. L'immagine fa il semplice punto che dal momento che non si sa mai quando un ladro (in contrasto con qualsiasi altro tipo di visitatore) colpirà, un capofamiglia prudente non sarà assorbito e distratto da tutti i tipi di attività, ma manterrà un orecchio acuto e occhio acuto per nulla unusual. Christian vita comporta mantenere un orecchio acuto e un occhio acuto per la venuta del Signore - non solo la sua venuta alla fine di tempo ma la sua venuta in tutte le varietà e le forme in cui, come insegna il Vangelo e la spiritualità cristiana, egli entra nella nostra vita su base quotidiana.

Fr Brendan Byrne SJ, *The Australian Catholics*, 20 November 2022



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

Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

Liturgical Calendar and activities

Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/SABATO 26th November 2022 FIRST SUNDAY of ADVENT Year "A" VIGIL	<i>Watch at all times, praying</i>		6.00pm 7.00pm Spanish Mass Amin MALKUN	<i>Baptism Celebration for:</i> Luca Luciano FAGGION Noah Alejandro GALDAMEZ <i>Congratulations!</i>
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 27th November 2022 Year "A" FIRST SUNDAY of ADVENT	<i>Vegliate in ogni momento pregando</i>	8.30am PRO-POPULO 10.00am Portuguese Mass	9.45am 11.00am <i>(vedere elenco)</i> 5.00pm Brazilian Community Mass <i>(Portuguese)</i>	<i>Wedding Celebration for:</i> Timothy RILEY & Margareth CHONG GUM <i>Congratulations!</i>
Monday/Lunedì 28th November 2022 Is 4:2-6: Mt 8:5-11: 1st week of Advent	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.</i>		9.15am	
Tuesday/ Martedì 29th November 2022 Is 11:1-10: Lk 10:21-24: 1st week of Advent	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.</i>		9.15am	<i>7.30pm In the Church</i> <i>Baptism Preparation for Parents & Godparents</i>
Wednesday/Mercoledì 30th November 2022 Rom 10:9-18 Mt 4:18-22: St Andrew, apostle	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Their message goes out through all the earth.</i>		9.15am Feast of St Andrew 7.30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help <i>(Filipino Chaplaincy)</i>	
Thursday/Giovedì 1st December 2022 Is 26:1-6: Mt 7:21, 24-27: 1st week of Advent	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.</i>		9.15am	
Friday/Venerdì 2nd December 2022 Is 29:17-24: Mt 9:27-31: 1st week of Advent	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The Lord is my light and my salvation.</i>		9.15am Gaetano and Carmelina CAFARELLA 7.00pm 1st Friday Spanish Mass Sacred Heart of Jesus	<i>Wedding Celebration for:</i> Sheron MARTIN & Tamara DEMELO <i>Congratulations!</i>

WELCOME HOME!

Archbishop Peter Comensoli in his recent Pastoral letter, welcomes all faithful Catholics back to Church. All restrictions have been lifted, therefore from today the **1st Sunday of Advent, 27 November, 2022**, the general dispensation from our Sunday and Holy Day obligations will be lifted. It will be great to see every back to Sunday Mass. **WELCOME HOME!**

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL will be held in our parish over two weekends 3rd/4th & 10th/11th December. *This Christmas, Wishes can come true with your donation. Envelopes are available in church. (Lets help the less fortunate!)*


L'APPELLO NATALIZIO per la Società di San Vincenzo de Paoli si svolgerà nella nostra parrocchia durante due weekends 3/4 e 10/11 Dicembre. *Questo Natale, i desideri possono diventare realtà con la vostra donazione. Le buste sono ottenibile in chiesa. (Aiutiamo i meno fortunati!)*

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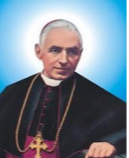
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Liturgy of the Word 3rd & 4th December 2022	6.00pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45am St. Brigid	11.00am St. Brigid
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	N. Solomon	G.. Piantella	J. Smith	N. Oro / G. Catena
II Reading	A. Linda	G.. Piantella	C. Smith	T. Toscano
Prayers of the Faithful	N. Solomon	G.. Piantella	M. Pereira	P. La Marca

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.



Prayer to St. John Baptist Scalabrini
Saint John Baptist Scalabrini, with the heart of a bishop and the zeal of an apostle you gave yourself completely to all. You listened to the cries of migrants, spoke in their name, defended their rights. You found sustenance in the Eucharist solace in the cross of Jesus, comfort in Mary, Mother of the Church. Through your intercession may God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit grant peace to all humanity, protect those who cross seas and borders sustained by hope, bless us and our loved ones and grant us the grace that we entrust to your fatherly love. Amen. Glory be to the Father St. John Baptist Scalabrini, pray for us!



11.00am INTENZIONI
Vincenzina e Vincenzo TRIGILA
Angelo BANDIERA
Gaetano BONGIOVANNI
Paola SALUSTRO - Rosa SALUSTRO
Mario COMACCHIO
Michele SALUSTRO
Giovanni VIGLIAROLO
Antonio e Maria Rosa CUPPERO
Filippo VIGLIAROLO
Rosa BOCCAFURNO
Salvatore RITUCCI - Giovanni RULLO
Michelina GAMMAROTA
Giuseppe RULLO
Defunti membri famiglia RULLO

INVITATION Everyone is welcome to **HOLY HOUR OF DIVINE MERCY EVERY 2nd, 3rd, & 4th** Friday at 6:30pm in St. Brigid's Church, North Fitzroy.



If you, or someone you know is interested in becoming and learning more about our rich Catholic Faith. Next RCIA meeting Thursday 22nd December at 7.00pm in the Meeting Room. Interested in joining? Please contact the parish office on 94896777



YOU ARE INVITED TO EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION On the Occasion of the 135th Anniversary Foundation of the Congregation of the Missionaries of St. Charles — Scalabrinians. **TOMORROW Monday 28th November 2022 at 9.15am St. Brigid's Church, North Fitzroy.** Morning Tea/Coffee after Mass




VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING REFUGEE STUDENTS
MERCY CONNECT MELBOURNE is currently recruiting volunteers to support Refugee Students and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese. The volunteer commitment is approximately half a day per week for 4 school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. A Training Day for new volunteers with emphasis on Child Safeguarding will take place prior to
Email: somml@bigpond.com
(preferred for contact) Tel: 9326 1895

INTENZIONI PER I CARI DEFUNTI MESE DI NOVEMBRE: Ci sono ancora bustine per le intenzioni in ricordo dei defunti **NOVEMBER MASS ENVELOPES:** For those who wish to remember their loved ones are still available.

Vigil Mass for World AIDS Day will be celebrated at St Francis' Church (corner Lonsdale and Elizabeth St, Melbourne) on **Wednesday 30th November 2022 at 5.30pm.** All Welcome.

St. Brigid & St. Mark Collections
1st Collection \$460 - 00
2nd Collection \$320 - 00
Envelopes \$125 - 00

<p>ENTRATA: CANTO PER CRISTO Canto per Cristo che mi libererà Quando verrà nella gloria; quando la vita con lui rinascerà, allelu, alleluia. ALLEGRO, ALLEGRO, ALLEGRO, ALLEGRO, ALLEGRO! Canto per Cristo: in Lui rifiorirà Ogni speranza perduta. Ogni creatura con Lui risorgerà, allelu, alleluia. Rit. Canto per Cristo: un giorno tornerà! Festa per tutti sarà. Festa sul mondo che più non morirà. Allelu, alleluia. Rit.</p> 	<p>Offertorio: MISTERO DELLA CENA Mistero della Cena è il Corpo di Gesù. Mistero della Croce è il Sangue di Gesù. È questo pane e vino è Cristo in mezzo ai suoi. Gesù risorto e vivo sarà sempre con noi. Mistero della Chiesa è il Corpo di Gesù. Mistero della pace è il sangue di Gesù. Il pane che mangiamo fratelli ci farà. Intorno a questo altare l'amore crescerà.</p> 	<p>COMUNIONE: VIENI, GESÙ, VIENI Vieni, Gesù, vieni, vieni in mezzo a noi E spezza ancora il pane come facesti un dì. Vieni tu che preghi, vieni tu che soffri: il pane è sulla mensa, manchi solo tu. Vieni tu che piangi, vieni tu che servi: il pane è sulla mensa, manchi solo tu. Vieni tu che canti, vieni tu che speri: il pane è sulla mensa, manchi solo tu. Vieni tu ch ami, vieni tu che cerchi; il pane è sulla mensa, manchi solo tu.</p> 	<p>Fine: È L'ORA CHE PIA È l'ora che pia la squilla fedel. Le note c'invia dell'Ave del ciel. Ave, ave, ave, Maria! Ave, ave, ave, Maria! Nel piano di Dio l'eletta sei tu, Che porti nel mondo il Figlio Gesù. Rit. A te, Immacolata, la lode, l'amor: Tu doni alla Chiesa il suo Salvatore. Rit</p> 
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