

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One; let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour (Isa 45:8).

A reading from the Second Book of Samuel (7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16)
Now when the king dwelt in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies round about, the king said to Nathan the prophet, "See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwells in a tent." And Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that is in your heart; for, the Lord is with you." But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan, "Go and tell my servant David, 'Thus says the Lord: Would you build me a house to dwell in? I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure for ever before me; your throne shall be established for ever'."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

Response: I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth. Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens. **R/**

"I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant: I will establish your dynasty for ever and set up your throne through all ages." **R/**

He will say to me: "You are my father, my God, the rock who saves me." I will keep my love for him always; for him my covenant shall endure. **R/**

Communion Antiphon: Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called Emmanuel. (Is 7:14)

ENTRANCE
O Come All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant!
O come ye, O come ye
to Bethlehem!
Come and behold him,
born the King of angels;

Refrain:

***O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ, the Lord!***

God from God,
Light from Light,
Here in the Virgin's womb,
He deigns to lie;
Son of the Father,
begotten, not created.
(refrain)



OFFERTORY The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came

The angel Gabriel from heaven came
His wings as drifted snow
His eyes as flame
"All hail" said he "thou lowly maiden
Mary,
Most highly favoured lady," Gloria!

"For know a blessed mother
thou shalt be,
All generations laud and honor thee,
Thy Son shall be Emmanuel,
By seers foretold
Most highly favoured lady," Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly
bowed her head
"To me be as it pleaseth God," she said,
"My soul shall laud and magnify
his holy name."
Most highly favoured lady Gloria!



COMMUNION

The whole world is waiting for love

We're waiting for Jesus like Mary,
We're waiting for Jesus the Lord.

Refrain:

***Come down, Lord Jesus!
Come quickly, Lord Jesus!***

***The whole world is waiting for Love,
The whole world is waiting for Love.***



We're laying a manger for Mary
A manger for Jesus the Lord. **Ref.**

We're making it lovely for Mary,
So lovely for Jesus the Lord. **Ref.**

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FINAL See How the Virgin Waits

See how the Virgin waits for him;
Mary in wonder waits for him.
Shake off your slumber;
come all full of wonder.

Jesus is coming as the Prince of Peace.
Shake off your slumber;
come all full of wonder.
Jesus is coming as the Prince of Peace.

Gently she hears the distant breeze
swaying the silver olive trees.
What is she thinking as the sun is sinking,
waiting the birthday of her firstborn Son?
What is she thinking as the sun is sinking,
waiting the birthday of her firstborn Son?

Now a new pattern on the loom;
now a new presence in the room.
Waking or sleeping,
all here love she's keeping,
waiting the coming of the Son of God.
Waking or sleeping,
all here love she's keeping,
waiting the coming of the Son of God.
See how the Virgin waits for him.
Mary in wonder waits for him.



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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.*

4th Sunday of Advent

Jesus Christ is the mystery kept secret for endless ages, but now revealed. He must be broadcasted to pagans everywhere to bring them to the obedience of faith (Rm. 16:25-27 Today's 2nd Reading).

With great enthusiasm, St. Paul writes to the Christian Community in Rome that a great mystery from God has been revealed: His love for mankind.

Today, 4th Sunday of Advent, our reflection brings us to consider what expectation is in us: a great event to come must draw from us sentiments of surprise, preparation, desire, rejoicing. To prepare ourselves for it, therefore, means "advance" in vision, hope and prayer, how it would effect us and be open to what the Christmas event will reveal to us. Many, throughout the world, are preparing to celebrate christmas but without Emmanuel, which mean: "God is with us", "God's love revealed to us", Let us "prepare" our spirit for this gift of God.



Christmas Day

Friday, the mystery will be revealed! Let us be open to be surprised by God as he unwraps his love to us. The "surprise" is how God manifested his love for us: a baby, a manger, the shepherds, away from the noisy crowds, far from busy people going about their business, in simple form, not in power and majesty. This is how God manifested to love us then, in Bethlehem, and how He continues to love us now. Often we think that we must deserve the love from God in whichever way we can obtain God's attention to us. There is no need to try to attract God's attention. He loves us regardless! However, to allow this love to flow to us and fill us up with new sentiments we must open our heart and let ourselves to be instructed, moulded and renewed by God's love. The inter-play between God's love and our obedience is the way of salvation and the fulfilment of all the good wishes and prayers at this time of the year.



***JOYFUL & BLESSED CHRISTMAS** *Buon Natale (Italian) *Feliz Navidad (Spanish)

*Feliz Natal (Portuguese) *Maligayang Pasko (Filipino) *Joyeux Noël (French)

*Selamat Natal (Indonesian) *വരദിനം ഉന്മുഖമാകട്ടെ (Malayalam)

*शुभ क्रिसमस (Hindi) *Chúc Mừng Giáng Sinh (Vietnamese) *圣诞快乐 (Mandarin) *메리 크리스마스 (Korean)



The Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo - Scalabrinians [www. Scalabrini.org](http://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.


Festa di Natale

Venerdì, il mistero ci sarà rivelato! Lasciamoci "sorprendere" da Dio così come ci manifesta il suo amore. La "sorpresa" è come Dio ha voluto manifestare il suo amore per noi: un bambino, la mangiatoia, i pastori, isolato dal trambusto della gente, separato dalla frenesia della gente d'affari, in modo semplice, non in potenza e maestà. Così Dio ha rivelato il suo amore a Betlemme e continua a rivelarlo oggi. Spesso noi crediamo che dobbiamo meritarc

questo amore di Dio cercando di attirare l'attenzione di Dio. Non c'è bisogno di attirare l'attenzione di Dio: Lui ci ama ugualmente! Tuttavia, per far sì che questo suo amore passi dentro di noi e ci trasformi, noi dobbiamo aprirci e lasciarci istruire, formare, rinnovare da questo amore. La corrispondenza nostra con Dio e la nostra obbedienza saranno il modo per sperimentare salvezza e godere dei profondi desideri che noi auguriamo e preghiamo in questo tempo dell'anno.

2	Liturgical Calendar and activities			
Liturgical Celebration	Antiphon	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/SABATO 19th December 2020 Year "B" Fourth Sunday of Advent "VIGIL"	<i>"Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word."</i>		7.00pm Novena Nativity Mass	Baptism Celebration for Emma PEREZ BENAVIDES <i>Congratulations!</i> 
SUNDAYDOMENICA 20th December 2020 Year "B" Fourth Sunday of Advent 	<i>"Ecco la serva del Signore: avvenga per me secondo la tua Parola"</i> 	8.30am PRO-POPULO 10.00am Portuguese Mass	9.45am Ermenio POLONI Kevin O'ROUKE 11.00am (1mth) Palmina ANTONICELLI 5.00pm Brazilian Mass 7.30pm Novena Christmas Mass	Baptism Celebration for Jamie WHITE Lawrence LEW <i>Congratulations!</i>  
Monday/Lunedì 21st December 2020 4th week of Advent Song 2:8-14; Lk 1:39-45	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Cry out with joy in the Lord, you holy ones; sing a new song to him.</i>	8.00am NO MASS	9.15am 7.30pm Novena Christmas Mass	
Tuesday/ Martedì 22nd December 2020 4th week of Advent 1Sam 1:24-28; Lk1-46-56	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>My heart rejoices in the Lord, my Saviour.</i>	8.00am NO MASS	9.15am 7.30pm Novena Christmas Mass	
Wednesday/Mercoledì 24th December 2020 4th week of Advent Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24; Lk 1:57-66	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand.</i>	8.00am NO MASS	9.15am 7.30pm	

CHRISTMAS VIGIL	7.00pm Christmas Vigil Mass		<i>Wishing everyone a peaceful and Blessed Christmas</i> <i>Augurando a tutti voi un Buon Santo Natale</i>
VIGILIA DEL S. NATALE	8.30pm Spanish Christmas Mass		
	11.30pm Carols		
	12.00am Midnight Christmas Mass Santo COLOSIMO		

CHRISTMAS DAY	ST. MARK'S	ST. BRIGID'S	
SANTO NATALE	8.30am Mass English/Italian	9.45am Mass (English) 11.00am Mass (Italian)	
	10.00am Mass Portuguese	Defunti membri famiglie CAPITO - BELLISSIMO - PETRUCCI	

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Liturgy of the Word 26th & 27th Dec. 2020	6.00pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45am St. Brigid	11.00am St. Brigid	Offertory Procession
I Reading	Volunteer	L. Murphy	C. Penitito	T. Toscano	A. Marchesan/M. Del Raso
Responsorial Psalm	Volunteer	L. Murphy	E. Elkins	P. La Marca	N. Omenihu / J. Smith
II Reading	Volunteer	A. De Santis	A. Atherton	T. Toscano	C. Zorzi / L. Di franco

PLEASE MARK IN YOUR DIARY

SUNDAY 21st February 2021

FEAST OF SAINT BRIGID of Kildare

"Our Patron Saint" The parish,

together with the Filipino, Spanish and Portuguese Communities will come together to celebrate this very special feast with only **ONE** combined Mass at **10.30am** with Procession. *Please Note! this year because of COVID there won't be the usual luncheon in the hall.*

PER FAVORE NOTATE SUL VOSTRO

DIARIO - DOMENICA 21 FEBBRAIO

2021 FESTA DI SANTA BRIGIDA

"Nostra Patrona" Uniti alla comunità

Filipina, Spagnola e Portoghese

celebriamo questa festa con inizio alle

10.30am con Processione e S. Messa.

Quest'anno non seguirà il solito pranzo in sala, per rispettare ancora le regole della distanza del COVID.

Notate! In questo giorno si celebrerà soltanto questa unica messa.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

ENVELOPES available on the seats and on the table at the entrance to the church. The Scalabrinian fathers thank you for your kindness and generosity.

BUSTINE PER L'OFFERTA DI NATALE si trovano sui banchi e all'entrata della Chiesa. I padri vi ringraziano per la vostra generosità.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIME TABLE

ORARIO DELLE MESSE DEL S. NATALE

Thursday / Giovedì Dicembre 24 December

CHRISTMAS VIGIL

7.00pm St. Brigid's - Vigil Mass (English)

8.30pm St. Brigid's - Vigil Mass (Spanish)

11.30pm St. Brigid's - Christmas Carols

12am St. Brigid's - Midnight Mass (Bi-lingual)

CHRISTMAS DAY

Friday / Venerdì Dicembre 25 December

8.30 am St. Mark's Church (Bi-lingual)

9.45 am St. Brigid's Church (English)

10.00am St. Mark's Church (Portuguese)

11.00am St. Brigid's Church (Italian)

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Friday 1st January 2021

8.30am St. Mark's Church (Bi-lingual)

10.00am St. Mark's Church (Portuguese)

10.00am St. Brigid's Church (Bi-lingual)

Confessions / Confessioni

Saturday as usual - 4.30pm - 5.30pm

Thursday/Giovedì 24 Dicembre/ December24

5.00pm to 7.00pm

St. Brigid & St. Mark Collections

1 Collection \$ 350 - 00

2 Collection \$ 200 - 00

Envelopes \$ 310 - 00

APPRECIATION

Thank you to all who have generously supported in many ways the needs of our Church and the life of the Parish. May You and Your families be rewarded a hundredfold by the Love of God. Wishing you all a blessed Christmas and a very happy New Year. Frs: Savino, Vito, Joselito, José and Fabio

Grazie a tutti coloro che durante quest'anno hanno contribuito all'aiuto alla nostra Chiesa e alla vita della nostra Parrocchia. Che l'Amore di Dio ricompensi voi e le vostre famiglie cento volte tanto. Auguri per un Buon Santo Natale e Felice Anno Nuovo. Il vostro parroco P. Savino con i Padri: Vito, Joselito, José e Fabio.

St Vincent De Paul Society thanks you for your donation to the

CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Total to date \$780

La Società di San Vincenzo de Paoli vi ringrazia per la vostra donazione all'APPELLO NATALIZIO Totale \$780

Melbourne Overseas Missions

Annual Appeal took place last weekend. A big thank you to those who have donated. There are still envelopes available in the church if you wish to make a donation. **Total to date: \$150.**

Donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible.

Canto D'Entrata

VIENI, O SIGNORE

Vieni, o Signore, la terra ti attende. Alleluia, alleluia!

O Sole che spunti da oriente, splendore di eterna bellezza, porta la luce nel mondo e la gioia *Rit.*

O Re della terra e dei popoli, che guidi con forza e dolcezza porta la pace nel mondo e la vita. *Rit.*

All'uomo che piange tristezza E geme nell'ombra di morte, porta la tua speranza e l'amore. *Rit.*

Canto D'Offertorio

DIO S'È FATTO COME NOI

Dio s'è fatto come noi, per farci come lui.

Vieni, Gesù, resta con noi! Resta con noi!

Vieni dal grembo d'una donna, la Vergine Maria. *Rit.*

Tutta la storia lo aspettava: il nostro Salvatore. *Rit.*

Vieni, Signore, in mezzo a noi, resta con noi per sempre *Rit.*

Canto di Comunione

CANTO PER CRISTO

Canto per Cristo che mi libererà Quando verrà nella gloria; quando la vita con lui rinascerà, allelu, alleluia.

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA, ALLELU, ALLELUIA!

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.*

Canto Finale

O BELLA REGINA

O bella Regina, O Madre del ciel, all'Angiol t'inchini, ancilla fedel.

Ave, ave, ave Maria. Ave, ave, ave Maria.

Di grazia sei piena e t'ama il Signor; Tuo Figlio è Dio, uman Redentor. *Rit.*

O Madre pietosa, Gesù ti donò al mondo in peccato che egli salvò. *Rit.*