

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength. (Ps 42:1-2)

A reading from the Book of Isaiah (43:16-21)

Thus says the Lord, who made a way through the sea, a path in the great waters; who put chariots and horse in the field and a powerful army which lay there never to rise again, snuffed out, put out like a wick: No need to recall the past, no need to think about what was done before. See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes to light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness, paths in the wilds. The wild beasts will honour me, jackals and ostriches, because I am putting water in the wilderness (rivers in the wild) to give my chosen people drink. The people I have formed for myself will sing my praises.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage, it seemed like a dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter, on our lips there were songs. **R./**

The heathens themselves said: "What marvels the Lord worked for them!" What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad. **R./**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap. **R./**

They go out, they go out, full of tears, carrying seed for the sowing; they come back, they come back, full of song, carrying their sheaves. **R./**

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Cast away from you all the transgressions which you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Philippians (3:8-14)

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. That is the way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus. *This is the Word of the Lord.*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St John (8:1-11)

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them. The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and do not sin anymore.' *The Gospel of the Lord.*



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.

Scripture reflection: All I want to know is Christ and the Resurrection

Fifth Sunday in Lent Year C, 3 April 2022
(By Australian Catholics, 24 March 2022)

We are invited today to recognise the utter completeness of God's forgiveness, and his desire to restore us to new life.

The prophet Isaiah tells how the people learned anew that their God was to be known not only through remembering the past, but also in the experience of their lives in the here and now.

(First Reading) The Psalm recalls and celebrates the joy experienced by the exiles as they return home. God's mercies in the past give grounds for hope in any present distress.

Paul loves Christ deeply, and vividly longs to 'have Christ, and be given a place in him'. He yearns to be in an intimate relationship with him. Yet he also knows that he cannot be complacent and that he is still 'straining ahead' for what is to come. **(Second Reading).**

The Gospel tells the story of those who look for the public humiliation and condemnation of the woman taken in adultery, and of Jesus himself. The accusers have a narrow view of the mercy of God and wish to use the woman as an opportunity for scoring points against Jesus. However, Jesus understands wisely and demonstrates bravely the overwhelming mercy of God. Let us pray to experience the complete acceptance and forgiveness of Jesus in our lives this day. As followers of Christ, may we be heralds of his life-giving love, mercy, and freedom to the world.

REFLECTION

Like Jesus before me, I consciously slowdown in preparation for this time of prayer. I become more aware of my life-giving breath, and invite Jesus to breathe with me, through me . . . to fill me with the Holy Spirit.

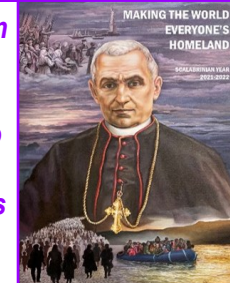
I read this striking Gospel slowly, a couple of times, allowing myself to get immersed in this incident in Jesus's life. I ask that God's living word might speak to me anew about the inclusive, non-judgemental Way of Christ. With the help of the Holy Spirit, I stop 'being in charge' and invite God to use my imagination. I take in the scene: the frightened, ashamed woman; the conniving scribes and Pharisees; the mood of the watching crowd . . . and the figure and presence of Jesus in the centre. If I can, I allow my 'inner eye' to deepen my understanding and experience of the forgiving nature of Jesus and his Father.

No matter the circumstances of my own life, I try to be open to Jesus's loving gaze, and speak with him about what arises. When I am ready, I give thanks to God for his boundless mercy. *Glory be*

Next Sunday 10th April is PALM SUNDAY Blessing of the palms at all Masses (Please bring olive branches or palms)
Domenica prossima 10 Aprile DOMENICA DELLE PALME ci sarà la benedizione delle palme. (Per favore portate rami d'ulivo)

Yes, we have everything in Jesus, in him we can do all things. From Jesus we hope all things and obtain all things, since he willed to humble himself and be sacrificed for us and becomes all things for us

JB Scalabrini



PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you. Protect them in this time of peril; let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom. You are the Father of all; we are brothers and sisters. Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Entrance : O GOD BEYOND ALL PRAISING

O God beyond all praising,
we worship you today
and sing the love
that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder,
at every gift you send,
at blessings without number
and mercies without end:
we lift our hearts before you
and wait upon your word,
we honour and adore you
our great and mighty Lord.

O God of all creation,
whose glory fills the sky,
We gather in your presence
our spirits lifted high;
To bring for humble service,
those who answer to your call,
That they may follow Christ,
the example for us all
Protect them and guide them,
their faith in you be strong,
As now they journey onward,
we sing the ancient song.

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(cont.) **O GOD BEYOND ALL PRAISING**

Then hear, O gracious Savior,
accept the love we bring
that we who know your favour,
may serve you as our king;
and whether our tomorrows,
be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows,
and rise to bless you still:
to marvel at your beauty, and glory in your ways,
And make a joyful duty, our sacrifice of praise.

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Offertory BREAD FOR THE WORLD

Refrain
Bread for the world: a world of hunger.
Wine for all peoples: people who thirst .
May we who eat, be bread for others.
May we who drink, pour out our love.
Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life,
broken to reach and heal the wounds of human pain
Where we divide your people, you are waiting there,
on bended knee to wash our feet with endless care.
Ref.
Lord Jesus Christ, you are the wine of peace,
poured into hearts once broken and where dryness sleeps.
Where we are tired and weary, you are waiting there
to be the way which beckons us beyond despair. **Ref.**
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COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

(Jn 11:26)

Communion: SEED, SCATTERED AND SOWN

Refrain:

Seed, scattered and sown,
wheat, gathered and grown,
bread, broken and shared as one
the Living bread of God.
Vine, fruit of the land, wine,
work of our hands,
one cup that is shared by all;
the Living Cup,
the Living Bread of God.

Is not the bread we break,
A sharing in our Lord?
Is not the cup we bless,
The blood of Christ outpoured? **R/:**
The seed which falls on rock
Will wither and will die,
The seed within good ground
Will flower and have life. **R/:**
As wheat upon the hills
Was gathered and was grown,
So may the Church of God
Be gathered into one. **R/:**
Text: Dan Feiten, Tune: Arr. by Eric Gunnison and R.J. Miller; © 1987, Ekklesia Music, Inc.

Final: BRING FORTH THE KINGDOM

You are salt for the earth,
O people,
salt for the city of God!
Share the flavor of life,
O people:
life in the kingdom of God!
Bring forth the kingdom of mercy,
bring forth the kingdom of peace.
Bring forth the kingdom of justice,
bring forth the city of God!
You are a seed of the word
O people,
bring forth the kingdom
of God!
Seeds of mercy
and seeds of justice,
grow in the kingdom
of God! **Ref.:**
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Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY / SABATO 2nd April 2022 (Vigil) 5th SUNDAY OF LENT Year "C"	"Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her."		11.30am Confessions & Practice for 1st Holy Communion 6.00pm Gaetano & Carmelina CAFARELLA 7.00pm (Spanish Mass)	Baptism Celebration for Maya CASTRO Anna & Sofia IORIO Congratulations! 
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 3rd April 2022 5th SUNDAY OF LENT Year "C"	"Chi di voi é senza peccato, getti per primo la pietra contro di lei"	8.30am Pro – Popolo 10.00am Portuguese Mass	9.45am 11.00am Roslyn PATTERSON Francesco PANTALEO	Baptism Celebration for Lara Jayne ALESSANDRINO Congratulations! 
Monday/Lunedì 5th Week of Lent 4th April 2022 Year "C" Dan 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62: Jn 8:1-11:	Responsorial Psalm Though I walk in the valley of darkness I fear no evil, for you are with me		9.15am 7.00pm (1 month Mass) Salvatore MAZZARELLA	
Tuesday/Martedì 5th Week of Lent 5th April 2022 Year "C" Num 21:4-9 Jn 8:21-30	Responsorial Psalm O Lord hear my prayer, and let my cry come to you.		9.15am 10.30am Funeral Mass for Doris ZACCHIGNA	
Wednesday /Mercoledì 5th Week of Lent 6th April 2022 Year "C" Dan 3:14-20,24-25, 28: Jn 8:31-42:	Responsorial Psalm Glory and praise for ever!		9.15am 7.30pm Mass & Novena in Honour to O.L.P.H. (Filipino Chaplaincy)	
Thursday /Giovedì 5th Week of Lent 7th April 2022 Year "C" Gen 17:3-9 Jn 8:51-59:	Responsorial Psalm The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.		9.15am 11.30am Funeral mass for Emanuele PASTRENGO	
Friday/Venerdì 5th Week of Lent 8th April 2022 Year "C" Jer 20:10-13: Jn 10:31-42	Responsorial Psalm In my distress I called upon the Lord, and he heard my voice	Every Friday nights during Lent at St. Mark's 7.00pm Mass followed by Stations of the Cross Portuguese Community	9.15am 11.30am Funeral Mass for Bruno CULTRERA 6.0pm Divine Mercy Holy Hour 7.00pm Via Crucis (It./English)	

Caritas AUSTRALIA PROJECT COMPASSION 2022 - Fifth Sunday of Lent "Theme" FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS
Shaniella 23, from the Solomon Islands was determined to forge a path out of poverty, moving away to vocational school. With your support, Shaniella was able to overcome further challenges of natural disasters, and gain the skills she needs to create a brighter future for herself. *Please donate to Project Compassion 2022. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. You can donate through Project Compassion, donation boxes and envelopes available from the table at the entrance to the church, or by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413. Total to date \$ 650.00*

Parish Community Parish Priest: Fr. Fransiskus (Frank) Yangmintia, CS 0406 086 432 Fr. Vito Pegolo, CS & Migrant Chaplain to the Italian Community: Tel: 0419 736 890	Parish Office Monday to Friday 9.30am - 4.30pm Parish Secretary Giovanna Bellissimo & Rachel Mamone Tel: (03) 9489 6777	Comunidad Pastoral De Habla Hispana Chaplain Fr. Gesner Felix, CS Tel: (03) 9482 5362 Mob: 0432 214 910	Comunidade Pastoral De Expressão Portuguesa Chaplain P. Fabio Esteban Duque Sepulveda, CS Mob: 0410 001 462	Filipino Pastoral Community Chaplain Mons. Joselito Asis Tel: (03) 9482 5349 Mob: 0404 261 228
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Liturgy of the Word 9th/10th April 2022	6.00pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45am St. Brigid	11.00am St. Brigid
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	M. de Souza	G. Piantella	J. Smith	T. Toscano
II Reading	M. de Souza	G. Piantella	C. Smith	P. La Marca
Prayers of the Faithful	M. de Souza	G. Piantella	M C Sisters	N. Cavallin

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

We offer our prayers and congratulations to the children making their 1st Holy Communion today at the 9.45am Mass. May our loving God bless, guide and protect them and their families.

Zelinda Arturi Pierobon
Leonardo Alfonso Venturini Contreras
Nelson Gabriel Venturini Contreras
Gabriella Rojo Rodriguez
Fabian Alejandro Angulo Luciani
Eliana Monica Climaco Zulliger

**FOOD DISTRIBUTION AT ST. BRIGID'S**

Kindness Community Group offers food to anyone in need, Tuesday 5 April 2022. Please enter via York Street, Nth Fitzroy. Please register at: <https://www.trybooking.com/BYLAM>

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday during Lent Stations of the Cross at 7.00pm in Church

Durante il tempo di Quaresima, ogni Venerdì sera in chiesa alle 7.00pm Via Crucis

MEDITATION ON THE SEVEN LAST WORDS

Experiencing the love of God in Time of Pandemic. Please join the reflections on the Seven Last Words of Jesus on the Cross. (Siete Palabras) Good Friday, 15 April 2022 9.30am - 12.00 noon here in St. Brigid's Church.

HOLY WEEK LITURGY

10th April – 17th April 2022 ST BRIGID'S & ST MARK'S

PALM SUNDAY – 10th April
St Brigid's and St Mark's (Mass Times as usual)
Holy Tuesday – 12th April
7:30pm Mass of the Holy Oils and Chrism at St Patrick's Cathedral
Holy Wednesday – 13th April
10:00am – 12noon Confessions

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM
HOLY THURSDAY – 14th April - St Brigid's:
7:30pm - Intercultural Mass of the Lord's Supper
9pm -- 10pm Adoration (English)
10pm -- 11pm Adoration (Spanish)
11pm -- 12am Adoration (silence)

St Mark's:
7:30pm – Celebration of the Lord's Supper and Adoration (Portuguese)

GOOD FRIDAY – 15th April
St Brigid's:
9:00am Via Crucis (in the Church)
9:30am Liturgy "The 7 Last Words" (Filipino Chaplaincy)
3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
St Mark's:
9:00am – 11:00am Confessions (Portuguese)
3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Portuguese)

HOLY SATURDAY – 16th April
St Brigid's: 11:00am --- 12 noon (Confessions)
7:30pm Intercultural Easter Vigil Mass
St Mark's: 7:00pm Easter Vigil Mass (Portuguese)

EASTER SUNDAY – 17th April
Mass Times as usual (St Brigid's and St Mark's)

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. <https://melbourne>

**INVITATION**

Everyone is welcome to **HOLY HOUR OF DIVINE MERCY EVERY 2nd, 3rd, & 4th Friday at 6:00pm in St. Brigid's Church, North Fitzroy**

PELLEGRINAGGIO: GIUGNO 2022

Costo \$6899. Condotto da P.Savino Bernardi. Telefante al 9489 6777

MARRIAGE RESOURCE CENTRE

are offering parishes the opportunity to send 1 or 2 couples to participate at no charge in the Marriage Kit Leader Formation experience. This offer is open to any parish in the Melbourne Archdiocese and will be online. For more info please contact Fr. Frank cs

SUNDAY CATECHISM Religious instruction classes for this year, in preparation for Confirmation, every Sunday at 10.30am with the Missionaries of Charity in the Media room.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 9.45am

24th April 2022 St. Mary's Star of the Sea Church Cnr. Howard & Victoria Sts. West Melbourne. All welcome.

St. Brigid & St. Mark Collections

1 Collection \$425.00
2 Collection \$240.00
Envelopes \$133.00 *Thank You!*

Ingresso: E' GIUNTA L'ORA

E' giunta l'ora, Padre, per me. Ai miei amici ho detto che questa è la vita: conoscere Te e il Figlio tuo, Cristo Gesù. Erano tuoi, li hai dati a me; ed ora sanno che torno a Te. Hanno creduto: conservali Tu nel tuo amore, nell'unità.

Tu mi hai mandato ai figli tuoi, la tua Parola è verità. E il loro cuore sia pieno di gioia; la gioia vera viene da Te.

Io sono in loro e Tu in me; che sian perfetti nell'unità. E il mondo creda che tu mi hai mandato; li hai amati come ami me

**Offertorio: A TE NOSTRO PADRE**

A te, nostro Padre e nostro Signor, pane e vino oggi noi t'offriam sull'altar.

Grano, diverrai vivo Pane del cielo
Cibo per nutrire l'anima fedel. **Rit.:**

Vino, diverrai vivo Sangue di Cristo, fonte che disseta l'arsura del cuore. **Rit.:**

**Comunione: TI SALUTO, O CROCE SANTA**

Ti saluto, o croce santa, che portasti il Redentor: gloria, lode, onor ti canta ogni lingua ad ogni cuore.

Sei vessillo glorioso di Cristo, sua vittoria e segno d'amor: il suo sangue innocente fu visto come fiamma sgorgare dal cuore. **Rit.**

Tu nascesti fra braccia amoroze D'una Vergine Madre, o Gesù, tu moristi fra braccia pietose d'una croce che data ti fu. **Rit.**

O agnello divino, immolato Sulla croce crudele, pietà! Tu, che togli dal mondo il peccato salva l'uomo che pace non ha. **Rit.**

Fine: QUANDO NELL'OMBRA

Quando nell'ombra cade la sera, è questa, o Madre, la mia preghiera: fa pura e santa l'anima mia: **AVE MARIA! AVE**

E quando l'alba annuncia il giorno, all'ara tua faccio ritorno, dicendo sempre con voce pia: **AVE MARIA! AVE**

Nei giorni lieti di gioia pura ed in quelli ancora della sventura, ti dirò sempre, o Madre mia. **AVE MARIA! AVE:**

Vergine bella, del ciel Regina, è tutto il mondo che a te s'inchina. Benigna ascolta la voce mia: **AVE MARIA! AVE...**

