

A reading from the Book of Genesis (12:1-4)

The Lord said to Abram, 'Leave your country, your family and your father's house, for the land I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name so famous that it will be used as a blessing. 'I will bless those who bless you: I will curse those who slight you. All the tribes of the earth shall bless themselves by you.' So Abram went as the Lord told him. *The Word of the Lord.*

Responsorial Psalm:

Response: *Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.*

The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with love. *R*

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. *R*

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place our hope in you. *R*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.



Entrance: BLEST BE THE LORD

Text: Based on Psalm 91.
Text and music: Dan Schutte
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Refrain:

**Blest be the Lord, blest be the Lord,
The God of mercy,
the God who saves.
I shall not fear, the dark of night
Nor the arrow that flies by day.**

He will release me
from the nets of all my foes.
He will protect me
from their wicked hands.
Beneath the shadow of His wings
I will rejoice
To find a dwelling place secure. *(Ref)*

I need not shrink
before the terrors of the night
Nor stand alone before the light of day.
No harm shall come to me,
no arrow strike me down,
No evil settle in my soul. *(Ref)*

Although a thousand men
have fallen at my side,
I'll not be shaken with the Lord at hand.
His faithful love is all the armour
that I need
To wage my battle with my foe. *(Ref)*

Offertory:

ASHES

Text and Music:
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We rise again from ashes,
from the good
we've failed to do.
We rise against from ashes,
to create ourselves anew.
If all the world is ashes,
then must our lives be true?
An offering of ashes,
an offering to you.

We offer you our failures,
we offer you attempts,
The gifts not fully given,
the dreams not fully dreamt.
Give our stumblings direction,
give our visions wider view,
An offering of ashes,
an offering to you.

Then rise again from ashes,
let healing come to pain.
Though spring
has turned to winter,
and sunshine turned to rain.
The rain we'll use for growing,
and create the world anew,
From an offering of ashes,
an offering to you.

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy (1:8-10):

With me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God who has saved us and called us to be holy – not because of anything we ourselves have done but for his own purpose and by his own grace. This grace had already been granted to us, in Christ Jesus, before the beginning of time, but it has only been revealed by the Appearing of our saviour Christ Jesus. He abolished death, and he has proclaimed life and immortality through the Good News *The Word of the Lord.*

Gospel Acclamation (Mt 17:5) Glory and praise to you, O Christ!
From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard: "This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him."

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (17:1-9)

Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone. There in their presence he was transfigured: his face shone like the sun and his clothes became as white as the light. Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus. As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead.' *The Gospel of the Lord.*

Communion: BE THOU MY VISION

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Be Thou my Vision,
O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me,
save that Thou art
Thou my best Thought,
by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping,
Thy presence my light



Be Thou my Wisdom,
and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee
and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling,
and I with Thee one

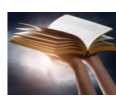
Be Thou my battle Shield,
Sword for the fight;
Be Thou my Dignity, Thou my Delight;
Thou my soul's Shelter,
Thou my high Tower:
Raise Thou me heavenward,
O Power of my power

Riches I heed not,
nor man's empty praise;
Be thou mine inheritance
now and always;
Thou and thou only
the first in my heart;
O Sov'reign of heaven,
my treasure thou art

Final:

THE VOICE OF GOD

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Tune: WOODLANDS by
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The voice of God
goes out to all the world;
God's glory speaks
across the universe.
The great King's herald
cries from star to star:
"With power, with justice,
Christ will be the way!"

The Lord has said,
"Receive my messenger,
my promise to the world,
my pledge made fresh,
a lamp to every nation,
light from light:
"With power, with justice,
Christ will be the way!"

"Anointed with the Spirit
and with power,
he comes to crown
with comfort all the weak,
to show the face of justice
to the poor:
"With power, with justice,
Christ will be the way!"



Weekly Parish Newsletter

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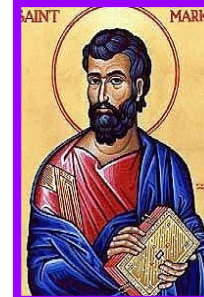
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*We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand.
We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.*

Homily Notes:

GOSPEL OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

It is probably the word 'appearance' that has led to this text from 2 Timothy being associated with the Gospel of the Transfiguration. Here we have an 'appearance' of Jesus truly unique in the accounts of his earthly life.

In the biblical tradition whiteness signals closeness to God and God's heavenly court, a closeness confirmed here by the presence of two figures, Moses and Elijah, known from the biblical record to be enjoying heavenly existence (Deut 34:6; 2 Kgs2:11).

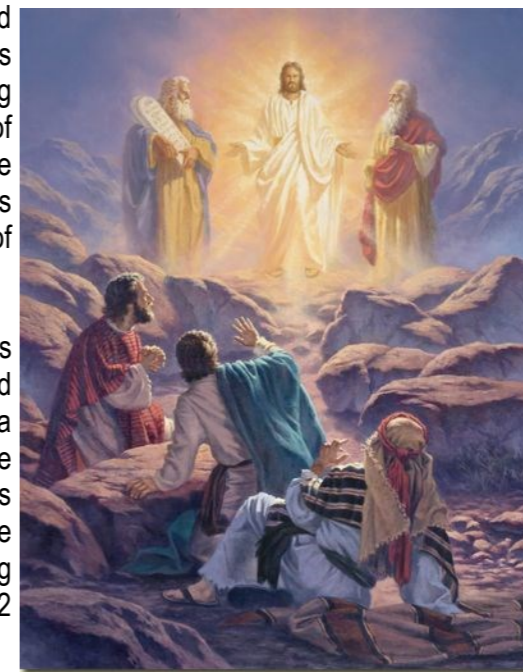
Shortly before this episode, Jesus has for the first time revealed to the disciples that the Son of Man is destined to suffer and be killed (16:21).

As represented by Peter, they simply cannot square this suffering destiny with their knowledge of him to be 'the Messiah, the Son of God' (16:16, 22-23). Jesus' glorious transformation and the Father's voice from heaven ('This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him!') communicates with divine authority that these two truths must be held together: Jesus is God's beloved Son and he is, as he has said, going to fulfil his messianic vocation through suffering and death.

The disciples (specifically Peter) want to 'hold' the messianic moment ('Let us build three tents ...'). But there are no 'shortcuts' to glory. From now on, precisely as God's beloved Son, Jesus is to tread the path to Jerusalem as the Messiah who came, 'not to be served but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many' (20:28). It is with this deepened sense of his vocation – and ours – that we are invited to continue with him our Lenten journey to Jerusalem.

Fr Brendan Byrne SJ, *Australian Catholics*, 23 February 2023

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Note dell'Omelia:

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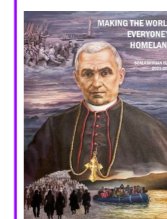
Nelle Scritture, la montagna è sempre il luogo della rivelazione. Sono gli uomini come Mosè e Elia che Dio incontra. Si racconta anche che il volto di Mosè venne trasfigurato da quell'incontro: "Quando Mosè scese dal monte Sinai - le due tavole della Testimonianza si trovavano nelle mani di Mosè mentre egli scendeva dal monte - non sapeva che la pelle del suo viso era diventata raggianti, poiché aveva conversato con il Signore". La magnificenza della rivelazione divina si comunica anche a coloro che la ricevono e diventano i mediatori della parola di Dio.

Gesù si mette a brillare come il sole sotto gli occhi di tre discepoli: questo lo individua come colui che è l'ultimo a rivelare Dio, come colui che oltrepassa tutti i suoi predecessori. Ciò è sottolineato ancor più dal fatto che Mosè ed Elia appaiono e si intrattengono con lui.

Essi rappresentano la legge e i profeti, cioè la rivelazione divina prima di Gesù. Gesù è l'ultima manifestazione di Dio. È quello che dimostra la nube luminosa - luogo della presenza divina - da dove una voce proclama Gesù come il servitore regale di Dio. A ciò si aggiunge, in riferimento a Deuteronomio 18:15, l'esortazione ad ascoltare Gesù, ad ascoltare soprattutto il suo insegnamento morale.

<https://www.lachiesa.it>, 02 Marzo 2023

Prayer to Saint John Baptist Scalabrini



*O Blessed 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!*



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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.

2 Liturgical Calendar and activities

Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/ SABATO 4th March 2023 Second Sunday of Lent Year "A" VIGIL	<i>Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you</i> 		6.00pm PRO POPULO 7.00pm Spanish Mass	Baptism Celebration for Chang Hyun Brian LEE Simon ALBORNOZ PALMA Susana PATGAR Samuel CORTEZ LABRADA Congratulations! 
SUNDAY/ DOMENICA 5th March 2023 Second Sunday of Lent Year "A"	<i>Donaci, Signore, il tuo amore: in te speriamo.</i> 	8.30am	9.45am 11.00am Rocco DI MASE (1st annv) Salvatore MAZZARELLA (1st annv) 3.30pm Indonesian Group Mass celebrated by Archbishop Peter Comensoli & Fr. Frank	Baptism Celebration for Nixon ENGELLENER Congratulations! 
Monday/Lunedì of the 2nd week of Lent 6th March 2023 Dan 9:4-10: Lk 6:36-38:	<i>Responsorial Psalm Lord, do not deal with us as our sins deserve.</i>		9.15am	
Tuesday/Martedì of the 2nd week of Lent 7th March 2023 Is 1:10,16-20 Mt 23:1-12:	<i>Responsorial Psalm To the upright I will show the sav- ing power of God.</i>		9.15am 10.30am Funeral Mass for Erlinda (Shirley) ABREU 	<i>Our deepest sympathy to the family & friends of Erlinda (Shirley) ABREU May she rest in peace.</i>
Wednesday /Mercoledì of the 2nd week of Lent 8th March 2023 Jer 18:18-20: Mt 20:17-28:	<i>Responsorial Psalm Save me, O Lord, in your steadfast love.</i>		9.15am 7.30pm Novena in Honour to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Filipino Chaplaincy)	
Thursday Giovedì of the 2nd week of Lent 9th March 2023 Jer 17:5-10: Lk 16:19-31:	<i>Responsorial Psalm Happy are they who hope in the Lord.</i>		9.15am 7.00pm Memorial Mass for Concetta MIANO (1st annv) 	
Friday/Venerdì of the 2nd week of Lent 10th March 2023 Gen 37:3-4,12-13,17-28: Mt 21:33-43,45-46:	<i>Responsorial Psalm Remember the marvels the Lord has done.</i>	St. Mark's Church 7.00pm Mass followed by Stations of the Cross 	9.15am 6.30 Intercultural Via Crucis Stations of the Cross 	Wedding Celebration for Jessica CAINGLET & Richard CARPIO Congratulations ! 


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Liturgy of the word 11th & 12th March 2023	6.00pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45 am St. Brigid	11.00am St. Brigid
I Reading & Responsorial Psalm	M. De Souza	G. Piantella	J. Santos	T. Toscano
II Reading	M. De Souza	G. Piantella	K. Chang	P. La Marca
Prayers of the Faithful	M. De Souza	G. Piantella	J. D'souza	G. Catena

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.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=622453>



**INTERCULTURAL STATIONS
OF THE CROSS/ VIA CRUCIS**
Every Friday night during Lent in various languages
6:30pm - 7:15pm in Church.
Durante il tempo di Quaresima Via Crucis in varie lingue ogni Venerdì sera in chiesa 6.30 - 7.15pm Tutti benvenuti.



Religious Education Institutions and Anti-Discrimination Laws Inquiry
The Australian Law Reform Commission (ALRC) current Inquiry into the Framework of Religious Exemptions in Anti-Discrimination Legislation has produced a Consultation Paper which proposes severe limits on the ability for religious schools to appoint staff who support their mission other than roles in which 'the teaching, observance or practice of the religion is a genuine requirement of the role.' For every other role it would become unlawful for the school to give preference to teachers who share, or who are willing, to support the religious beliefs of the institution. This would effectively remove the right of faith-based schools to express their religious identity and culture. Archbishop Comensoli, along with other faith leaders, encourages you, as well as parents and other members of the Catholic community, to complete the following survey with an expression of hope to protect faith-based schools from further obstacles that will impede their ability to express our Catholic faith:
<https://www.alrc.gov.au/inquiry/anti-discrimination-laws/submission/survey/>

Sacramental Program and Formation will commence this **Sunday 5th March 2023 after 9.45am Mass with Sr. Guadalupe MC in the Media Room.**

SIX30 HOLY HOUR
Thursday, March 9, 2023
6:30pm - 7:30pm
St. Patrick's Cathedral
Join with young Catholics from across the city for a time of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, music and an opportunity for confession. For queries, email udisciple@cam.org.au or call (03) 9926 5677


St. Brigid & St. Mark Collections
1st Collection \$ 650-00
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PROJECT COMPASSION 2023
This year's theme is: **"For All Future Generations".**
It reminds us that what we do today can have an impact For All Future Generations.
Tereesa is a Gamilaroi woman from Western Sydney who struggled with homelessness while raising her four children. At just 16 years old, she had to leave school after falling pregnant with her first child. A single mother struggling with homelessness, Tereesa's only concern was finding stability for her children. Seeking a better future for her family, Tereesa joined Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation's Young Mums and Bubs Group, supported by Caritas Australia. Baabayn helped Tereesa access housing and psychological support. Today, Tereesa is studying a certificate in Community Services so that she can strengthen her skills and give back to her community. Tereesa now works at Baabayn, providing support to young mothers and mentoring the next generation of young people. Project Compassion Boxes or Sets of Envelopes are available for you to take home and return it on Good Friday.
Please give generously.




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.

Offertorio:
SALGA DA QUESTO ALTARE
Salga da questo altare l'offerta a te gradita: dona il pane di vita e il sangue salutare.
Nel nome di Cristo uniti, il calice e il pane ti offriamo: per i tuoi doni largiti te, Padre, ringraziamo. **Rit:**
Noi siamo il divin frumento e i tralci dell'unica vite: dal tuo celeste alimento son l'anime nutrite. **Rit:**



Comunione: QUANTA SETE NEL MIO CUORE
Quanta sete nel mio cuore: solo in Dio si spegnerà. Quanta attesa di salvezza: solo in Dio si sazierà. L'acqua viva che egli dà Sempre fresca sgorgherà.
Il Signore è la mia vita, il Signore è la mia gioia.
Se la strada si fa oscura Spero in lui: lui guiderà. Se l'angoscia mi tormenta, spero in lui: mi salverà. Non si scorda mai di me, presto a me riapparirà. **Rit.**

Fine: SANTA MARIA DEL CAMMINO
Mentre trascorre la vita, solo tu non sei mai Santa Maria del cammino, sempre sarai con te.
Vieni o Madre in mezzo a noi vieni Maria quaggiù cammineremo insieme a te verso la libertà.
Quando qualcuno ti dice: "Nulla mai cambierà" lotta per un mondo nuovo, lotta per la verità. **Rit.**
Lungo la strada la gente, chiusa in se stessa va: offri per primo la mano a chi è vicino a te. **Rit.**



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