

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8, 14-17
Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town. When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. **The Word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm:

Response: Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God: "How tremendous your deeds!" **R**

Before you the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name! Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men. **R**

He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might. **R**

A reading from the First Letter of St Peter 3:15-18
Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong. Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. **Alleluia!**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St John 14:15-21
Jesus said to his disciples: 'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you. Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him. **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Communion Antiphon: If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, Alleluia			
Entrance: COME HOLY GHOST Public Domain Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest, And in our hearts take up Thy rest; Come with thy grace and heav'nly aid to fill our hearts which thou hast made, To fill our hearts which Thou has made. O Comforter, to thee we cry, Thou heav'nly gift of God most high; Thou fount of life, and fire of love, And sweet anointing from above, And sweet anointing from above. Praise be to Thee, Father and Son and Holy Spirit three in one; And may the Son on us bestow, the gifts that from the Spirit flow, The gifts that from the Spirit flow.	Offertory: ON THE PATEN Public Domain On the paten with the Host I offer up my lowly heart: All my life, my deeds, my thoughts Thine shall be as mine Thou art. In the chalice let me be A drop of water mingled there. Lost O Jesus in Thy Love Thy great sacrifice I share. All today and ev'ry day O Jesus let me live in thee, So that I no longer live But that thou may'st live through me.	Communion: A NEW COMMANDMENT A new commandment I give unto you: That you love one another as I have loved you That you love one another as I have loved you By this shall all men know that you are My disciples If you have love one for another By this shall all men know that you are My disciples If you have love one for another <small>This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution- Noncommercial-Share Alike 3.0 Unported License</small>  Hymns: Reprinted with Permission ONE LICENSE # A-736575.All rights reserved.	Final ON THIS DAY, O BEAUTIFUL MOTHER Public Domain Refrain: On this day, O beautiful Mother, On this day we give thee our love; Near thee, Madonna, fondly we hover, Trusting thy gentle care to prove. On This Day We Ask To Share, Dearest Mother, Thy Sweet Care; Aid Us Ere Our Feet Astray Wander From Thy Guiding Way. Ref.: Queen Of Angels, Deign To Hear Lisping Children's Humble Prayer; Young Hearts Gain, Oh Virgin Pure, Sweetly To Thyself Allure. Ref.:



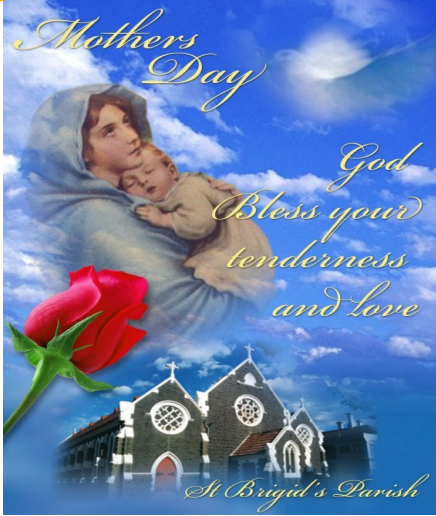
We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.

Homily Reflection:

The Father will give you another Advocate to be with you forever .

Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honour of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance. Eastertide is nearly at an end. There is a sense that an important event is about to happen. As the readings this week seek to reassure us, we will not be left without comforting support. Whether I have plenty of time to pray or can only manage to snatch a few quiet moments as I travel or do some mindless chore, I try to come to quiet. I take a deep breath and then read these verses from John's Gospel. 'If you love me . . .'. I imagine the Lord looking straight at me and telling me those words. Perhaps I recall Peter's anxious answer by the Sea of Tiberias 'Lord, you know I love you' . . . How do I respond now? Jesus will soon be going to his Father, but he announces the coming of the Spirit of Truth. I ponder on 'goings' and 'comings' in my life. How did I feel about them? Has it been easy or difficult to adjust to a new situation? What did I do? Maybe just now I feel isolated and lonely, bruised by too many 'goings'. How does Jesus's promise of a new 'coming' help me? Jesus assures his disciples, assures me, that we will then understand the intimate relationship and the absolute love between Father and Son. Perhaps all I can do just now is to accept his word and patiently wait until all is revealed in total trust. Eventually, I bring my prayer to an end, thanking the Lord in my own words .

Excerpts from St Beuno's Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham, UK, <https://www.australiancatholics.com.au>



Riflessione: L'uomo vive d'amore dal suo primo respiro fino all'ultimo. Amato, si sente protetto ed accettato. Amando, sente di appartenere e trova un senso ad offrirsi. Poiché l'amore non può restare chiuso nel suo cuore; esso pervade il quotidiano. L'amore che si porta all'uomo spinge ad impegnarsi. L'amore che si porta a Dio si manifesta nella considerazione che si ha dei suoi comandamenti. Si manifesta anche nella giustizia, nel rispetto della vita, nell'azione per la riconciliazione dei popoli e per la pace. Le conseguenze dell'amore che si porta a Dio possono prendere l'aspetto di un lavoro, perfino di una lotta. Lavoro e lotta sembrano spesso esigere troppo dall'uomo e superare le sue forze. Egli vede le sue debolezze ed ha voglia di rinunciare, ma quando lavoro e lotta sono le conseguenze dell' amore, conferiscono all'esistenza un respiro profondo, mettono la vita in un contesto più vasto e la rendono importante tanto sulla terra quanto in Cielo. Cose apparentemente infime acquistano un significato quando sono il risultato dell'amore per Dio. Ogni buona azione, anche quella che facciamo senza pensare a Dio, è in relazione all'amore che gli portiamo. Ogni atto di amore, anche quando sembra minimo - come quando si porge un bicchiere d'acqua a qualcuno che ha sete - assume un significato per l'eternità. Noi ci chiediamo spesso: che cosa rimarrà del nostro mondo? È vero che crediamo di poter vivere e risuscitare grazie all'amore di Dio, con tutto ciò che è esistito grazie a questo amore che non si è accontentato di restare sentimento:

contatti, relazioni, avvenimenti, cose. Quando risusciteremo, tutto un mondo risusciterà con noi, un mondo fatto di amore responsabile. Sarà magnifico: una "terra nuova", che abbiamo il diritto di chiamare anche un "Cielo nuovo".

09 May 2023, <https://www.lachiesa.it>



Prayer to Saint 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!**

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 T: 9926 5621 E: psu@cam.org.au W: melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding**



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Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity	
SATURDAY of the Fifth week of EASTER SABATO della Quinta-settimana di PASQUA 13th May 2023 Year 'A'	<i>"If you love Me, you will keep my Commandments"</i>	7:00 pm St. Mark's FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA Rosary Procession and Mass Portuguese Community	6.00pm Vittorio (Vic) CARDAMONE (1st Anniv) 7.00pm Spanish Mass	Baptism Celebrations: Thiago HERNANDEZ ARCILA Dominic Franco CALLIPARI Congratulations! 	
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER SESTA DOMENICA DI PASQUA 14th May 2023 Year "A"	<i>"Se mi amate, osserverete i miei Comandamenti"</i> 	8.30am Santo COLOSIMO Felicia DI MARTINO Rachele COLOSIMO Veneranda RUSSO 9:30am FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA Rosary Procession and Mass (Portuguese Comm)	9.45am Pro Populo 11:00am Ascenzina PETRUCCI Domenica BELLISSIMO Grazia CAPITO Vincenza TRIGILA Pina CARBONE Emilia & Maria BANDIERA Mimma COSMA		
Monday / Lunedì of the 6th week of Easter 15th May 2023 Year 'A' Acts 16:11-15 Jn 15:26 -16:4	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The Lord takes delight in his people.</i>		9.15am Mass Bill Breen (1st Anniv)		
Tuesday / Martedì of the 6th week of Easter 16th May 2023 Year "A" Acts 16:22-34 Jn 16:5-11	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Your right hand has saved me, O Lord.</i>		9.15am Bill Breen (1st Anniv)		
Wednesday / Mercoledì of the 6th week of Easter 17th May 2023 Year "A" Acts 17:15, 22-18:1 Jn 16:12-15	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Heaven and earth are filled with your glory.</i>		9.15am Bill Breen(1stAnniv) 10:30am Funeral Mass for Caterina CAPOGRECO 7.30pm Mass & Novena in Honour to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Filipino Chaplaincy)	Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Caterina CAPOGRECO May she rest in peace 	
Thursday / Giovedì of the 6th week of Easter 18th May 2023 Year 'A' Acts 18:1-8 Jn 16:16-20	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.</i>		9.15am Mass Bill Breen (1st Anniv)		
Friday / Venerdì of the 6th week of Easter 19th May 2023 Year 'A' Acts 18:9-18 Jn 16:20-23	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>God is king of all the earth.</i>		9.15am Mass Bill Breen (1st Anniv)		
Parish Community Parish Priest: Fr. Fransiskus (Frank) Yangminta,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 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 20th/21st May 2023	6.00pm Vigil St. Brigid	8.30am St. Mark	9.45am St. Brigid	11.00am St. Brigid	<div>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://melbournecdfpay.org.au/details/?id=622453</div> <div></div>
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	L. Eyles	G. Piantella	MC Sisters	N. Oro / G. Catena	
II Reading	N. Raveche	G. Piantella	C. Smith	T. Toscano	
Prayers of the Faithful	N. Raveche	G. Piantella	B. Koh	P. La Marca	

NEW SOUND SYSTEM

We have a new sound system in the church. If anyone wishes to contribute towards the expenses of just over \$12,000. Any donation would be most welcome and appreciated. *We are grateful to some parishioners who have already contributed.*

NUOVO SISTEMA AUDIO

Abbiamo un nuovo sistema audio nella chiesa. Se qualcuno desidera contribuire alle spese di poco più di \$12,000. Qualsiasi donazione sarebbe molto gradita e apprezzato.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Confirmations this year will take place in our parish on Sunday 10th July with a combined Mass at 10.30am. If you have children or grandchildren, or you know anyone who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation (Grade 6 onwards). Classes are held every Sunday morning at 10.30am (straight after the 9.45am Mass) in the Media Room. If interested, please speak to Fr. Frank, the parish priest, or ring Sr.Guadalupe from the Missionaries of Charity on 0405785710 or the parish office on 94896777.

HOLY HOUR OF DIVINE MERCY

Everyone is welcome to HOLY HOUR OF DIVINE MERCY EVERY 2nd, 3rd & 4th Friday at 6.30pm in St Brigid's Church North Fitzroy. It will re-start on Friday 12th May, 2023.

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

Lord, Bless my Mother:
her silent sacrifices and her joys,
her tears and her smiles,
her toils and her rest.
Keep her close to Your heart,
So that in following her example
I may love You in my journey
through life.
Amen.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



PREGHIERA ALLA MAMMA

Signore, benedici la mia mamma:
i suoi sacrifici e le sue gioie,
le sue lacrime e i suoi sorrisi,
il suo sudore e il suo riposo.
Tienila stretta, vicina al Tuo cuore, cosicché anch'io seguendo il suo esempio, possa amare Te nel cammino della vita. Amen.

AUGURI A TUTTE LE MAMME.

MAGGIO - MESE DI MARIA:

Siamo tutti invitati a recitare il S. Rosario in onore alla nostra Madre Celeste in chiesa prima o dopo la Santa Messa, oppure in casa con la nostra famiglia.

MAY - MONTH OF MARY:

We are all invited to pray the Holy Rosary in honour to our mother Mary before or after Mass, or in our own homes with members of our family.

Comunione: SYMBOLUM

Tu sei la mia vita, altro io no ho, tu sei la mia strada, la mia verità, Nella tua parola, io camminerò
Finchè avrò respiro fino a quando tu vorrai
Non avrò paura, sai, se tu sei con me. Io ti prego resta con me.

Credo in te Signore, nato da Maria, Figlio eterno e santo, uomo come noi, Morto per amore vivo in mezzo a noi Una cosa sola, con il Padre e con i tuoi, Fino a quando, io lo so, tu ritornerai, Per aprirci il Regno di Dio.

Tu sei la mia forza, altro io no ho. Tu sei la mi pace, la mia libertà. Niente nella vita ci separerà, So che la tua mano forte non mi lascerà So che da ogni male, Tu mi libererai E nel tuo perdono vivrò.

Padre della vita, noi crediamo in te Figlio Salvatore noi speriamo in te Spirito d'amore, vieni in mezzo a noi Tu da mille strade ci raduni in unità E per mille strade, poi, dove tu vorrai, Noi saremo il seme di Dio.

Fine: AVE MARIA DI FATIMA

Il tredici maggio apparve Maria ai tre pastorelli in cova d'Iria.

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

In valle d'Iria nel mese dei fior Apparve Maria, regina dei cuor.

Maria, l'annuncio celeste ascoltò E il Figlio di Dio in lei s'incarnò.

Io sono la mamma del dolce Signor Che porta la fiamma del santo suo amor

Dal cielo discesi per rendere quaggiù I cuori più accesi d'amore a Gesù.



Ingresso: TERRA TUTTA

Terra tutta, dà lode a Dio
Canta al tuo Signore

Servite Dio nell'allegrezza, con canti di gioia andate a Lui. Rit.

Poiché il Signore é nostro Dio, da lui siamo creati, e siamo suoi. Rit.

Noi siamo il gregge che egli pasce Il popolo suo; gloria al Signor. Rit.

Gloria al Signore, Padre e Figlio, e Spirito Santo. Lode al Signor. Rit.



Offertorio: A TE SIGNOR LEVIAMO I CUORI

A te Signore leviamo i cuori
A te Signor noi li doniam

Quel pane bianco che t'offre la Chiesa e' frutto santo del nostro lavoro accettalo, Signore, e benedici. Rit.

Quel vino puro che t'offre la Chiesa forma la gioia dei nostri bei colli; accettalo, Signore, e benedici. Rit.

Gioie, dolori, fatiche e speranze nel sacro calice noi deponiamo: accettali, Signore, e benedici. Rit.



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1 Collection	\$500 - 00
2 Collection	\$400 - 00
Envelopes	\$ 79 - 00