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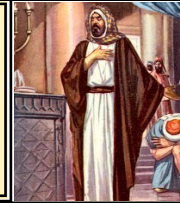
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Prayers We pray for those who are in ill health, *Eileen Seric, Corrine Van der Merwe, Walter Carroll, Megan Brannigan, Sophie Wisniewski, Michael Wisniewski, Glenys O'Dea, Andrew Moore, Mary Bauer, Tanja Schnitzler, Brian Dullard, Anthony Seric & Ryan Fitzgerald.*

We pray for the recently deceased and also for those who have an anniversary at this time.

May they rest in peace †

1st Sunday of Advent
27th November
Year A 2022



Fr. Vinoth Santiago
66 Aitken Street
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THE GOSPEL LUKE 23:35-43

Wake up to the Poetry

Our Lord loved to unfurl the scroll of the Prophet Isaiah in his local synagogue. The poetic image of swords being hammered into ploughshares reverberated into his renouncing violence against the Roman occupying army in his own time. When will this picture come true for all human beings for all time?

Only *God* knows! We don't know any more than we know when a burglar might target our home. But our ignorance of God's timetable is no excuse for being fatalistic and sleepy. We have our own span of life providing the timetable for our own contribution to the hammering of swords into ploughshares.

Recent Popes, especially St John Paul II, have taken up this theme for our times, teaching more restrictive criteria for using armed force, even dropping the term 'just war' to very small print in the Catechism.

We could pause for a moment to pray to be awake to our opportunities to shape society in the light of the vision of Isaiah and the practice of Jesus the Prince of Peace.

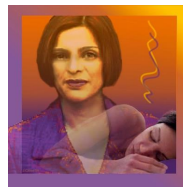
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Reflection by the Artist:

Matthew's gospel, in this first week of Advent, reminds us to stay alert. The advice is timely since in Advent we are in waiting mode.

We await the coming of the kingdom in the person of Jesus and in the fullness of time.

Jenny Close



GIVING TREE 2022

This year St. Brigid's Parish giving Tree is supporting the newly reformed Gisborne branch of St. Vincent de Paul.

They are asking for donations of Food Gift Cards, which can be purchased from Foodworks, IGA and Coles in Gisborne and to any value. We will include a "Pennies from Heaven" option and any monies will be used to purchase Gift Cards. The Gift Cards will be used to support families in need over the Christmas period. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

The Giving Tree program will commence on the first week of Advent—26th / 27th November. Could donations please be returned no later than Sunday 18th December, so the Gift Cards can be distributed to Families for Christmas.

Gift cards can be returned at any Mass, to the Parish Office, the Presbytery or to either school.

Thank you for your support.

2023 ROSTERS The 2023 Rosters will be prepared in the coming weeks. Volunteers always welcomed to help with Flower Arrangements at Gisborne, Offertory / Eucharistic Minister or Lector at all churches.

Please contact the Parish Office on 5428 2591 or gisborne@cam.org.au or see Fr. Vinoth if you would like to be part of the team.

In line with our Safeguarding Policy, all volunteers do need a current Working with Children Check. Help provided if required.

Your time and talent is much needed and will be appreciated.

Reflection of the Week

When you arise in the morning, think of what a precious privilege it is to be alive - to breathe, to think, to enjoy, to love.

Marcus Aurelius

Departing Parishioner -
We'll miss you.



New Parishioner -
Welcome to St Brigid's Parish





Rosters and Events



Ministers for next weekend's Masses

Second Sunday of Advent

4th December

Year A 2022

6.00pm Mass: St Brigid's

Reader: J. Farrugia & J. Shumack
Offertory: To be chosen on the day
Eucharist: M. McCormick & L. Scott

8:00am Mass: St Ambrose's

Welcomer: Jim White
Readers: Paul Lawry
Offertory: To be chosen on the day
Eucharist: Anne Marie Drummond



9.30am Mass: St Patrick's

Readers: E. Kilgariff & K. Petherbridge
Offertory: To be chosen on the day
Eucharist: B. Stanchinotti & H. Maxwell

11.00am Mass: St Brigid's

Readers: K. Page & **Volunteer required**
Offertory: To be chosen on the day
Eucharist: D. Egan & T. Armstrong

Counters: Not needed at this stage

Flowers: K. Page & L. DeBono



St Brigid's Parish Carols

When: Sunday the 18th of December from 6pm
Where: St Brigid's Parish Hall, Gisborne

The carols service, will include an open mic section where people are welcome to participate (bookings are essential to participate in open mic).

BYO food and drink to share

To participate in this family friendly event:

Please contact www.facebook.com/ThatVideoGuyAUS for more info

Email thatvideoguyaus@outlook.com or call 5426 1354

Whether you come to simply listen to the carols and open mic, or come along and participate, St Brigid's Parish Gisborne look forward to seeing you at the carols. This event is proudly supported by That Video Guy.

Gisborne Community Care Foodbank

Please bring donations of non perishable groceries and place in the boxes at the doors. They will be passed on to the local foodbank and provided to families from the local area. All grocery items needed—whatever you buy each week for your own family is what is needed for other families.



Parishioners can look at 'Gisborne Foodbank' on Facebook to see weekly updates of the groceries they are low on.

They also now have a website: <https://www.gisbornefoodbank.org.au/>. Items that are always needed are: long life milk, pasta and pasta sauces, peanut butter, jam, lunch snacks, tinned fish, dry and sweet biscuits, dishwashing liquid and laundry detergent.

The Foodbank are very grateful for donations that have continued to come from our parish
Thank you for your support, Carolyn

WEEKLY SOCIAL CARDS NIGHT

St. Brigid's Hall - Tuesday's evening

Doors open 7:15pm for prompt start at 7:30pm

Entry - \$10 per player

with 10 games played on the night

Light supper will be served on completion of play

Entry fee includes a ticket into the weekly raffle with a variety of prizes to choose from.

Everyone Welcome

Enquiries: Janice Shumack—5428 4315

KARATE CLASS FOR CHILDREN—FREE OF CHARGE

Every Thursday—6pm—St. Brigid's Hall

Enquiries: Kathryn Aprile—0404 340 892

Open House—meet after 11.00 am Sunday Mass at the Kaffeine Bar— 30 Aitken Street for a coffee and chat.

Everyone Welcome

St Brigid's Parish Calendar of Events—Nov/Dec

Sunday	27th	Baptism at 12 pm
Sunday	27th	First Day of Advent Year A
Sunday	4th	2nd Sunday Advent
Monday	5th	2023 Sacramental meeting
Thursday	8th	School Graduation 6pm - Parish Hall
Sunday	11th	Special Collection: Melb Overseas Mission



SCRIPTURE STUDIES

Every Thursday—10am—St. Brigid's Church
Enquiries: Bernie Floreani—0414 890 377

St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Cards will be available in the coming weeks at the parishes \$5.00 for a packet of 5

Weekday Masses: 29th November—2nd December 2022

Tues 5.00 pm to 6.00 pm — Mass

Wed 9.15 am to 10.15 am — Mass

Thurs 9.15 am to 10.15 am — Mass

Fri 9.15 am to 10.15 am — Mass



Reconciliation & Spiritual Direction:

APPOINTMENT ONLY—please call Parish Office 5428 2591 to book a time)

Please see parish website for any changes—www.cam.org.au/gisborne

St Brigid's Parish Weekly Thanksgiving for Sunday 20th November 2022

Total Amount Pledged	\$	1269.23
Total Amount received	\$	1334 (envelopes)
Total Amount received	\$	70 (credit cards)
Total Amount received	\$	60 (direct debit)
Presbytery Collection	\$	479



Thank you for your ongoing support through the Thanksgiving Program.