

4 ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia. (Acts 1:11)

First reading from the Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11
In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.' Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.' As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy; a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **R/**

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R/**

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **R/**

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ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus;
His the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,
His the victory alone!
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood:
"Jesus out of every nation
Has redeemed us by his blood."

Alleluia! Bread of angels,
Here on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
Flee to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
Earth's redeemer, hear our plea
Where the songs of all the sinless
Weep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
Earth your footstool, heaven your throne
As within the veil you entered,
Robed in flesh, our great high priest;
Here on earth both priest and victim
In the Eucharistic feast.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:
**Behold, I am with you
always, even to the end of
the age, alleluia.**

**Offertory
SANCTUARY**

Lord prepare me
To be a sanctuary
Pure and holy
Tried and true

With thanksgiving
I'll be a living
Sanctuary for You

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Second Reading from the book of Hebrews 9:24-28,10:19-23

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one; but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once, and after that comes judgement, so Christ, too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him. In other words, brothers, through the blood of Jesus we have the right to enter the sanctuary, by a new way which he has opened for us, a living opening through the curtain, that is to say, his body. And we have the supreme high priest over all the house of God. So as we go in, let us be sincere in heart and filled with faith, our minds sprinkled and free from any trace of bad conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us keep firm in the hope we profess, because the one who made

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. **Alleluia!**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 24:46-53 Jesus said to his disciples: 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this 'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high. 'Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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BE THOU MY VISION

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: SING TO
THE MOUNTAIN**

Refrain:

**Sing to the mountain,
sing to the sea
Raise your voices,
lift your hearts.
This is the day
the Lord has made.
Let all the earth rejoice**

I will give thanks
to you, my Lord.
You have answered my plea
You have saved
my soul from death
You are my strength
and my song

Holy, holy, holy Lord.
Heaven and earth
are full of your glory. **(Ref.)**



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St Brigid's Fitzroy North

WEEKDAY MASSES (in Chapel)

Monday-Friday 9:15am

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil

5:30pm English
7:00pm Spanish

Sunday

9:45am English
11:00am Italian

Mass in Swahili

3rd Sunday 5:00pm

Mass in Portuguese

(For the Brazilian Comm)
Last Sunday 5:00pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30pm – 5:30pm

Baptisms

Saturday 10:00am – 12:30pm
Sunday 12noon

Baptism Workshop

Last Tuesday of Month 7.30pm

Weddings by appointment

Office 03 9489 6777

Divine Mercy and Adoration

Every Friday at 8.30am in the chapel

Adoration 2nd Saturday 5:00pm

Faith Formation

1st Monday 9:45am
3rd Friday 7:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

1st – 2nd – 3rd Wednesday 7:30pm

Sacred Heart Devotion

Mass in Spanish: 1st Friday 7:00pm

CCR (Emmaus & Maranatha Prayer Groups)

Monday 7.30pm & Saturday 9.30am
in old convent

St Brigid's Food Pantry

1st Saturday after the 7.00pm Mass

Parish Hall for Hire

Inquiries 0417534352

St Mark's Princess Hill

Sunday 10:00am Portuguese

Reflection: THE LORD WILL RETURN

The Ascension of Jesus, whereby he is glorified at the Father's right hand and made 'ruler of everything', does not signal his departure from our midst. It points rather to a new mode of presence that will endure 'until the end of the world.' In the meantime, it is our vocation, as his Church, to reveal him.

Excerpts from St. Paul's Sunday Missal.



Riflessione:

ASCENSIONE DEL SIGNORE

La morte di Gesù ha costituito uno scandalo per i suoi discepoli, perché essi si erano plasmati un Cristo senza croce. Ma Gesù di Nazaret è il Messia; e non esiste altro Messia che il crocifisso e il glorificato. È attraverso la catechesi del Signore, risuscitato, che i discepoli capiscono che il Messia doveva soffrire e risuscitare dai morti. Era il disegno di Dio

manifestato nelle Scritture. Il senso della croce e dell'accompagnamento dei discepoli sulla croce, si scontra con l'intelligenza, con il cuore e con i progetti dell'uomo. Affinché i discepoli possano essere i testimoni autorizzati di Gesù Cristo, non solo devono comprendere la sua morte redentrice, ma anche ricevere lo Spirito Santo. Gesù si separa dai discepoli benedicendoli e affidandoli alla protezione di Dio Padre. Ascensione del Signore al cielo e invio dello Spirito Santo, per fare dei discepoli dei testimoni coraggiosi e per accompagnarli fino al ritorno di Gesù, sono strettamente collegati. Lo Spirito Santo aumenterà la potenza della parola del predicatore e aprirà l'intelligenza degli ascoltatori. Della vita fragile del missionario egli farà una testimonianza eloquente di Gesù Cristo morto sulla croce e vivo per sempre. Nel mondo, al fianco dei discepoli, lo Spirito Santo sarà il grande Testimone di Gesù.

Estratti da <https://www.lachiesa.it>

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**

Day of the Week			Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/SABATO 31st May 2025 The ASCENSION of the LORD Year "C" Vigil	<i>'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised'.</i>		5.30pm (Mass in the Hall) PRO POPULO 7.00pm (Mass in the Hall) Spanish Mass	St. Mark's Church Baptism Celebration for Martina ZAMBRANO FONG Congratulations! 
SUNDAY/ DOMENICA 1s June 2025 The ASCENSION of the LORD Year "C"	<i>"Di questo voi siete testimoni Ed ecco, io mando su di voi colui che il Padre mi ha promesso"</i>	St. Mark's Church 10.00am Mass Portuguese Community	9.45am (Mass in the Hall) Luke GOODSON † 11.00am (Mass in the Hall) Ascenzina PETRUCCI † Simon DI NICOLA † Rosa, Michele e Raffaele LA VECCHIA †	20th Anniversary of his death 1st June 1905 St. John Baptist Scalabrini <i>Pray for us.</i> 
Monday / Lunedì 2nd June 2025 Year 'C' Of the 7th Week of Easter	Responsorial Psalm <i>Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) Ellen FAY † Gaetano e Carmelina CAFARELLA †	
Tuesday / Martedì 3rd June 2025 Year 'C' St. Charles Lwanga and Companions.	Responsorial Psalm <i>Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) William and Sarah FAY †	
Wednesday / Mercoledì 4th June 2025 Year 'C' Of the 7th week of Easter	Responsorial Psalm <i>Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) Rynie STRYBOCH † 7.30pm Mass & Novena in Honour to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Chapel or Hall) (Filipino Chaplaincy)	
Thursday / Giovedì 5th June 2025 Year 'C' Saint Boniface	Responsorial Psalm <i>Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) William BREEN †	
Friday / Venerdì 6th June 2025 Year 'C' Of the 7th week of Easter	Responsorial Psalm <i>The Lord has set his throne in heaven.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) William BREEN † 7.00pm 1st Friday Mass (Hall) Sacred Heart of Jesus (Spanish Community)	
7th June 2025 (Vigil)	5.30pm	8th June 2025	9.45am	11.00am
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	M. De Souza		J. Boffa	T. Toscano
II Reading	M. De Souza		V. Lobo	P. La Marca
Prayers of the Faithful	M. De Souza		E. Tran	G. Catena
Altar Servers			C & C Smith / J. D'Souza	F. Sirianni
 The Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo - Scalabrinians - www. Scalabrini. org Ministering to the Parish and Migrants in St. Brigid since 1959				



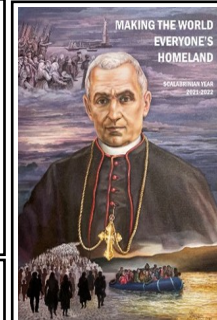
Church refurbishment. Parishioners who would like to donate can use the QR Code and choose 'payment' for carpet refurbishment.
Thank you for your generosity.



The Jubilee Prayer
Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.
May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure Expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

Registrations are now open for **Confirmations classes**. If you know anyone who might be interested, please tell them to contact the Parish Office.

We welcome the **Eritrean Catholic Community**, the Eastern Rite "Ge'ez" community, into our parish community.



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!



"A Mother's Life Shouldn't Be Left to Chance" In rural Zambia, expectant mothers often walk for days - while in labour - just to reach basic medical care. Join Catholic Mission and the Catholic Medical Association of Victoria for an evening that brings their voices to our community. Keynote speaker Abraham Muma, Health Services Coordinator at Chilonga Mission Hospital, will share powerful frontline insights.

St Peter's Parish Centre, 581 Toorak Rd, Toorak Thursday 5 June | 7:00 PM
Entry is free. Please RSVP via the QR code on the flyer or call Catholic Mission on (03) 9087 8081 or 0458 685 844.



Online Giving
Please scan this QR Code if anyone wishes to make an online donation to the parish. Thank you.

St. Brigid's Collection
1st Collection \$ 250 - 00
2nd Collection \$ 200 - 00

Everyone is welcome to **HOLY HOUR OF DIVINE MERCY EVERY Friday at 8.30am** in the Chapel.

New schedule for the carpet work. It will be from:
19th May to 20th June 2025
Thank you for your patience and also for your generosity for the church's carpet replacement.

Guild of St Stephen Annual Mass

June 6, 2025 | 7:30PM

St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne

For more information
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Entrata: **NOI CANTEREMO GLORIA**

Noi canteremo gloria a Te Padre che dai la vita, Dio d'immensa carità, Trinità infinita.

Tutto il creato vive in Te, segno della tua gloria; tutta la storia ti darà onore e vittoria.

La tua parola venne a noi, annuncio del tuo dono la tua promessa porterà salvezza e perdono.

Vieni, Signore, in mezzo ai tuoi, vieni nella tua casa: dona la pace e l'unità, raduna la tua Chiesa.



Offertorio: **O SIGNORE, NOI T'OFFRIAMO**

O Signore, noi t'offriamo Tutti insieme questo pane; è il frutto della terra e dell'uomo che lavora. Benedetto sia tu, Signore; questo pane che mangiamo è un dono del tuo amore è un segno di bontà.

O Signore, noi t'offriamo Tutti insieme questo vino: è il frutto della vite e dell'uomo che lavora Benedetto sia tu, Signore; questo vino che beviamo è un dono del tuo amore è un segno di bontà.



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 sgorgnerà

Il Signore è la mia vita.
il Signore è la mia gioia.

Se la strada si fa oscura, spero in lui: mi guiderà. Se l'angoscia mi tormenta, spero in lui: mi salverà. Non si scorda mai di me, presto a me riapparirà.

Il Signore è la mia vita,
il Signore è la mia gioia.

Nel mattino io ti invoco: tu, mio Dio, risponderai. Nella sera rendo grazie: tu, mio Dio, ascolterai. Al tuo monte salirò e vicino ti vedrò

Il Signore è la mia vita,
il Signore è la mia gioia.



Fine: **SANTA MARIA DEL CAMMINO**



Mentre trascorre la vita, solo tu non sei mai Santa Maria del cammino, sempre sarà 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.**