

4 **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.
The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:
Response: The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

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./**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Has no one condemned you woman? No one, Lord. Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, sin no more. (Jn 11:26)

Entrata: 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	Offertory: 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’alma fedel. Rit.: Vino, diverrai vivo Sangue di Cristo, fonte che disseta l’arsura del cuor. Rit.:	Communion: TI SALUTO, O CROCE SANTA Ti saluto, o croce santa, che portasti il Redentor: gloria, lode, onor ti canta ogni lingua ad ogni cuor. Sei vesillo glorioso di Cristo, sua vittoria e segno d’amor: il suo sangue innocente fu visto come fiamma sgorgare dal cuor. Rit. Tu nascesti fra braccia amorose 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.	Final: 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...
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A reading from the second 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.
The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ
With all your heart turn to me, for I am tender and compassionate.
Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to 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.



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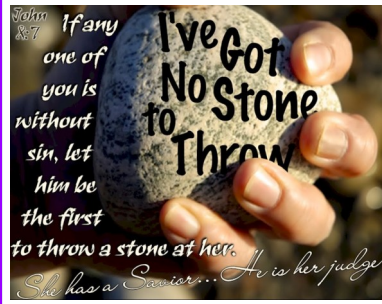
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St Brigid’s Fitzroy North
WEEKDAY MASSES (in Chapel)
Monday-Friday 9:15am
WEEKEEND MASS TIMES
Saturday Vigil
5:30pm English
7:00pm Spanish
Mass in Swahili
3rd Sunday 5:00pm
Sunday
9:45am English
11:00am Italian
Mass in Brazilian
Last Sunday 5:00pm
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: STRAINING AHEAD.
The Israelites in exile, St Paul the apostle and the woman caught in adultery all had shameful pasts. They acknowledged their sins but were not weighed down by them because they experienced the forgiveness of God. Freed of the burden of their sin they were able to continue on their way. We also are sinners but with God’s forgiveness we too can put the past behind us and strain ahead for the prize to which God is calling us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus. *Excerpts from St. Paul’s Sunday Missal*



Riflessione
E’ vicino il momento in cui Cristo farà la rivelazione più radicale - e la più incomprensibile per l’uomo - della sua potenza: morire sulla croce. È uno “scandalo per gli Ebrei, follia per i popoli pagani” (1Cor 1,23). Già prima Gesù aveva parlato ai suoi discepoli della croce, che li stupì e confuse. Quello che osservavano, nel comportamento sociale, è che l’uomo utilizza la debolezza degli altri per affermare il proprio potere. Ma Gesù diceva loro: “I re delle nazioni... e coloro che hanno il potere su di esse si fanno chiamare benefattori. Per voi però non sia così” (Lc 22,25). E i farisei che pretendono di usare una povera donna, colta in flagrante delitto di adulterio, per compromettere Gesù, gli danno in effetti l’occasione di insegnare con un esempio i suoi nuovi metodi.
In primo luogo Gesù mette in evidenza l’ipocrisia dei farisei: “Chi di voi è senza peccato scagli per primo la pietra. Dopo, toglie loro qualsiasi argomentazione. Mette in evidenza la loro ignoranza colpevole della legge che insegna che Dio, essendo potente sovrano, giudica con moderazione e governa con indulgenza, perché egli opera tutto ciò che vuole (Sal 115,3). Infine - e questo è il punto più importante del Vangelo -, Gesù insegna alle folle che non esiste più grande manifestazione di potere che il perdono. La morte stessa non ha un così grande potere. In effetti, solo il potere di Cristo, che muore crocifisso per amore, è capace di dare la vita. E soltanto il potere che serve a dare la vita è vero potere.
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**
Telephone :9926 5621 E:psu@cam.org.au W:[melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding](https://www.melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding)

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Day of the Week			Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/SABATO 5 th April 2025 Year “C” Vigil Mass 5 th Sunday Of Lent	<i>“Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her.”</i>		5.30pm Mass 4.00pm Memorial Mass Lucy FERRETTI † 7.00pm Spanish Mass	<i>Baptism Celebrations for: Maximo CADAVID BASTIAS Congratulations!</i> 
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 6 th April 2025 Year “C” 5 th Sunday of Lent	<i>"Chi di voi é senza peccato, getti per primo la pietra contro di lei"</i>	St. Mark's Church 10.00am Portuguese Mass	9.45am (3rd Scrutiny) 11.00am Vincenzina e Rocco D MASE † Serafina MARINO † Francesco PANTALEO †	<i>Baptism Celebrations for: Lenny and Mae UBALDI Congratulations!</i> 
Monday/Lunedì 7 th April 2025 5 th Week of Lent	<i>Responsorial Psalm Though I walk in the valley of darkness I fear no evil, for you are with me</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) Frank & Vernon LISTON †	
Tuesday/Martedì 8 th April 2025 5 th Week of Lent	<i>Responsorial Psalm O Lord hear my prayer, and let my cry come to you .</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) All Souls †	
Wednesday/Mercoledì 9 th April 2025 5 th Week of Lent	<i>Responsorial Psalm Glory and praise for ever !</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) All Souls † 7.30pm Mass & Novena in Honour to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Filipino.Chaplaincy)	
Thursday/Giovedì 10 th April 2025 5 th Week of Lent	<i>Responsorial Psalm The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) All Souls †	
Friday/Venerdì 11 th April 2025 5 th week of Lent	<i>Responsorial Psalm In my distress I called upon the Lord, and he heard my voice</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) All Souls † 6.00pm Stations of the Cross/ Via Crucis (English/Italian/Spanish)	
12th April 2025 (Vigil)	5.30pm	13th April 2025	9.45am	11.00am
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	Volunteer		J. Boffa	T. Toscano
II Reading	Volunteer		V. Lobo	P. La Marca
Prayers of the Faithful	Volunteer		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				

Parish News...		Notizie di casa nostra...		3	
	Church refurbishment. Parishioners who would like to donate can use the QR Code and choose 'payment' for <u>carpet refurbishment.</u> <i>Thank you for your generosity.</i>	VIA CRUCIS/STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT, EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT AT 6.00pm IN THE CHURCH			Online Giving Please scan this QR Code if anyone wishes to make an online donation to the parish. Thank you.
		Confirmations classes with Sr Milada will commence THIS Sunday 6th April 2025 at 10.30am in the Media Room. Registrations are now open. Please contact the Parish Office		St. Brigid's Collection 1st Collection \$450 - 00 2nd Collection \$300 - 00	
		Let us all continue to pray for Pope Francis recovering at home. We send him all our love thoughts and prayers. May he be back among his flock very soon.			
 PROJECT COMPASSION Project Compassion Sunday 5th and 6th of March 2025 Caritas Australia, whom we support through Project Compassion, has long acted in constructive ways to uphold the dignity of women and honor their strength, resilience and leadership. We have seen this during Lent, particularly in the stories of Irene from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Toefuata'iga from a school in Samoa. Please look at Caritas Australia's resources online; you will find many such stories. In so much of the world, development is led by women. This Lent, we have also been mindful of the Year of Jubilee, a significant call to Unite Against Poverty as pilgrims of hope. Today's second reading reminds us that none of us is perfect. But like St Paul, we are still running, still trying to achieve 'the perfection that comes through faith in Christ.' This does not mean judging others as the scribes and Pharisees did. It means challenging ourselves to bring the world closer together as Jesus prayed 'may they all be one.' Please donate today through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion. You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code Or online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion Or by calling: 1800 024 413 Thank you for standing with us, as we Unite Against Poverty This Lent.		HOLY WEEK LITURGY 13th April – 20th April 2025 → St Brigid's and St Mark's PALM SUNDAY – 13th April St Brigid's and St Mark's (Mass Times as usual) HOLY WEDNESDAY – 16th April 10:00am – 12noon Confessions — St. Brigid's THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM HOLY THURSDAY – 17th April St Brigid's: 7:00pm - Intercultural Mass of the Lord's Supper, 8:30pm - 9:30pm Adoration (English) 9:30pm - 11:00pm Adoration (Spanish) 11:00pm - 12:00am Adoration (silence) St Mark's: 7:00pm - Celebration of the Lord's Supper & Adoration (Portuguese) GOOD FRIDAY – 18th April St Brigid's: 9:00am Intercultural Via Crucis (inside/outside Church) 9:30am Liturgy "The 7 Last Words" (Filipino Chaplaincy) 3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (English) 5:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Spanish) St Mark's: 11:00am Confessions (Portuguese) 1:00pm Meditation on the 7 Last Words (Portuguese) 3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Portuguese) HOLY SATURDAY – 19th April St Brigid's: 11:00am - 12 noon (Confessions) 7:00pm Intercultural Easter Vigil Mass St Mark's: 7:00pm Easter Vigil Mass (Portuguese) EASTER SUNDAY – 20th April St Brigid's 9:45am English Mass; 11:00am Italian Mass 3:30pm Spanish Mass St Mark's 10:00am Portuguese Mass			
		New schedule for the carpet work. It will be from: 19th May to 6th June 2025 Thank you for your patience and also for your generosity for the church's carpet replacement.			
		SOMEONE LEFT A BUNCH OF KEYS IN THE CHURCH, Please contact the priest or parish office, if you lost them.			