

First Reading. A reading from the prophet Isaiah 58:7-10

Your light will shine like the dawn.

Thus says the Lord:
Share your bread with the hungry,
and shelter the homeless poor;

clothe the man you see to be naked
and do not turn from your own kin.
Then will your light shine like the dawn
and your wound be quickly healed over.

Your integrity will go before you
and the glory of the Lord behind you.
Cry, and the Lord will answer;
call, and he will say, ‘I am here.’

If you do away with the yoke,
the clenched fist, the wicked word,
if you give your bread to the hungry,
and relief to the oppressed,
your light will rise in the darkness,
and your shadows become like noon.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSIAL PSALM
A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

He is light in the darkness for the upright; he is generous, merciful and just. The good man takes pity and lends, he conducts his affairs with honour.
R.

The just man will never waver; he will be remembered for ever. He has no fear of evil news; with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. **R.**

With a steadfast heart he will not fear; open-handed , he gives to the poor; his justice stands firm for ever. His head will be raised in glory. **R.**

Second Reading. A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 2:1-5

I came to you to proclaim Christ crucified.

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great ‘fear and trembling’ and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God. **The word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the man who follows me will have the light of life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 5:13-16
You are the light of the world.

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

‘You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Anthipon: Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

Entrata: <u>TU SOLE VIVO</u> <i>Tu Sole vivo per me sei, Signore, vita e calore diffondi nel cuor.</i> Tu sul cammino risplendi, mio Sole: luce ai miei passi Ti voglio, Signor. <i>Rit.</i> La tua parola mi svegli al mattino, e mi richiami alla sera con Te. <i>Rit.</i> Sulla mia casa T’innalza, mio Sole: splenda d’amore, di luce, per Te. <i>Rit.</i>	Offertorio: <u>MISTERO DELLA CENA</u> Mistero della Cena è il Corpo di Gesù. Mistero della Croce è il Sangue di Gesù. È questo pane e vino è Cristo in mezzo ai suoi. Gesù risorto e vivo sarà sempre con noi. Mistero della Chiesa è il Corpo di Gesù . Mistero della pace è il sangue di Gesù. Il pane che mangiamo fratelli ci farà. Intorno a questo altare l’amore crescerà .	Comunione: <u>DOV’É CARITÀ E AMORE</u> <i>Dov’è carità e amore, qui c’è Dio</i> Ci ha riuniti tutti insieme, Cristo amore: godiamo esultanti nel Signore! Temiamo e amiamo il Dio vivente, e amiamoci tra noi con cuore sincero. <i>Rit.</i> Noi formiamo, qui riuniti, un solo corpo: evitiamo di dividerci tra noi: via le lotte maligne, via le liti, e regni in mezzo a noi Cristo, Dio. <i>Rit.</i> Chi non ama resta sempre nella notte e dall'ombra della morte non risorge; ma se noi camminiamo nell'amore, noi saremo veri figli della luce. <i>Rit.</i> Nell'amore di colui che ci ha salvati, rinnovati dallo Spirito del Padre, tutti uniti sentiamoci fratelli, e la gioia diffondiamo sulla terra. <i>Rit.</i>	Fine: <u>DELL’AURORA</u> <u>TU SORGI PIÙ BELLA</u> Dell’aurora Tu sorgi più bella, coi tuoi raggi, a far lieta la terra, e fra gli astri che il cielo rinsera non vi è stella più bella di Te. <i>Bella Tu sei qual sole Bianca più che la luna, e le stelle le più belle non son belle al par di Te.</i> Gli occhi tuoi son più belli del mare. La tua fronte ha il colore del giglio, Le tue gote, bacciate dal Figlio, son due rose, e le labbra son fior. <i>Rit.</i>
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Weekly Parish Newsletter

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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	Sunday 9:45am English 11:00am Italian
Mass in Swahili 3 rd Sunday 5:00pm	Mass in Portuguese (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 4:30pm followed by 5:30pm Mass

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 (03) 9489 6777

St Mark’s Princess Hill
Sunday 10:00am Portuguese

Reflection:

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!

We all have our special gifts, but sometimes we fail to recognise this. We may feel that we have little to offer others. That is never true. As Jesus says: ‘You are the salt of the earth! You are the light of the world!’ Let us ask Jesus to help us recognise our unique gifts and share them with others. Excerpts from S. Paul’s Sunday Missal.



Riflessione:

Se metto un grosso cucchiaino di sale nella zuppa, sarà immangiabile. Ce ne vuole solo un pizzico, che basta ad insaporirla.

O, senza utilizzare un’immagine, anche se non ci sono che pochi uomini a sopportare con buon umore, bontà e indulgenza le debolezze del loro prossimo (e le loro, in più!), a non essere solo preoccupati di imporsi, di perseguire i propri scopi e i propri interessi, questo pugno di uomini ha la possibilità di cambiare il proprio ambiente, contribuendo a che il nostro mondo resti umano. Il nostro mondo sarebbe povero, inumano e freddo se non ci fossero uomini che danno prova di questa cordialità e di questa generosità spontanee.

Essere il sale della terra: siamo abbastanza fiduciosi per credere al carattere contagioso della bontà? O ci accontentiamo di temere il potere contagioso del male? Un pizzico di sale basta a dare gusto a tutto un piatto. Ognuno di noi, anche se si sente isolato, ha la fortuna di poter cambiare il clima che lo circonda! Gesù ci crede capaci: voi siete il sale della terra, voi siete la luce del mondo! Lo siamo?
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)

2	Liturgical Calendar and Activities			
Day of the Week	Responsal Psalm	St. Mark	St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/SABATO 7th February 2026 Year “A” Vigil	<i>Lord, teach me your decrees.</i>		5.30pm English Mass St Brigid’s Novena 7.00pm Spanish Mass 1 month Memorial Mass Carlos Elias BONILLA ACOSTA †	10.30am Baptism of Martin VERA RODRIGUEZ <i>Congratulation!</i>
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 8th February 2026 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year “A”	<i>A light rises in the darkness for the upright.</i>	10.00am Mass (Portuguese Community)	9.45am English Mass St Brigid’s Novena 11.00am Italian Mass <i>Anniversario di Folino CATERINA & Bonadio ROSINA</i>	Baptism of Ilana SKOK Mora ZEKARIAS <i>Congratulation!</i>
Monday/Lunedì 9th February 2026 Weekday, Ordinary Time 5	<i>Lord, go up to the place of your rest!</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) St Brigid’s Novena 10.30am Funeral for Michael SHANAHAN <i>May he rest in peace.</i> †	
Tuesday/Martedì 10th February 2026 Weekday, Ordinary Time 5 <i>St. Scholastica, virgin</i>	<i>How lovely is your dwelling-place, Lord, mighty God!</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) St Brigid’s Novena	
Wednesday/Mercoledì 11th February 2026 Weekday, Ordinary Time 5	<i>The mouths of the just murmur wisdom.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) St Brigid’s Novena 7:30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena (Chapel)	
Thursday/Giovedì 12th February 2026 Weekday, Ordinary Time 5	<i>Lord, remember us, for the love you bear your people.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) St Brigid’s Novena	
Friday/Venerdì 13th February 2026 Weekday, Ordinary Time 5	<i>I am the Lord, your God : hear my voice.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) St Brigid’s Novena 8:30pm Divine Mercy and Adoration (Chapel)	

Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father—February: For children with incurable diseases.
Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

14th February 2026(Vigil)	5.30pm	15th February 2026	9.45am	11.00am
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	M. de Souza		F Malana	T. Toscano
II Reading	M. de Souza		S Atherton	P. La Marca
Prayers of the Faithful	M. de Souza		MC Sisters	G. Catena
Altar Servers			C Smith	F Sirianni
EMHC			Simret Telia	



The Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo - Scalabrinians - [www. Scalabrini. org](http://www.Scalabrini.org)
Ministering to the Parish and Migrants in St. Brigid since 1959





ST BRIGID of KILDARE PARISH DAY 2026
 INTERCULTURAL EUCHARIST, 10:00 AM, SUNDAY, 15th FEB 2026
 ST BRIGID'S CHURCH, 378 NICHOLSON ST., FITZROY NORTH, VIC
 With BISHOP RENE RAMIREZ, RCJ as Main Celebrant
Coinciding the Visit of the Migrant Jubilee Cross
 EVERY ONE IS CORDIALLY INVITED!
 FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWS AT THE PARISH HALL

PRAYER TO ST BRIGID
Lord, you inspired in St Brigid such a whole hearted dedication to your work that she became a strong and gentle woman. Help us to see and serve you in the people we meet and in the ordinary events of daily life. May we serve you as she did in a spirit of joy, with courage in the face of difficulties and with loving compassion for those in need. AMEN

The Order of Malta invites you to the annual Lourdes Day Mass
 an opportunity to pray for the sick and infirm, particularly those who are not able to visit Lourdes.
 The Mass will take place at St Patrick's Cathedral, with Archbishop Peter A Comensoli as the principal celebrant.
Saturday 14 February 2026
10.30am–11.30am
 For more information, please contact Sauro Antonelli AM : 0411 250 288.

OGGI FESTA IN ONORE DELLA MADONNA DI LOURDES
Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes
 8 Febbraio 2026
 Inizio alle 2.00pm con la Santa Messa celebrata nella chiesa seguita dalla processione intorno al cortile della chiesa.
 Si conclude la celebrazione con la Benedizione Eucaristica.
 Un cordiale invito é rivolto a tutta la comunità.

Parish Notice
 The tap (card) machine is now located at the back of the church.

ONLINE GIVING
Please scan this QR Code
 if anyone wishes to make an online donation
 THANK YOU for your generosity!
 

Urgent Repair Notice
 The female toilet in the parish hall has been damaged and requires urgent repair. Thank you for your patience and understanding while arrangements are being made.
 

St. Brigid's Weekend Collection
 1st Collection : \$ 249.95
 2nd Collection : \$ 151.25
 Online Donation : \$ 570
 THANK YOU

Parish Council Meeting
 Tuesday 10th February 2026
 6:00pm in the Welcome Room.

We warmly welcome
 Ida Ramli,
 our new assistant parish secretary!

St Brigid's Car Park Repair Project – 2026

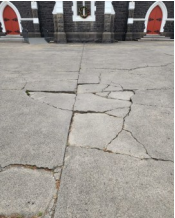
Dear friends,

The condition of St Brigid's car park, particularly the main entrance to the church, has deteriorated and now presents safety concerns. There have been incidents of people tripping over broken concrete, and the situation requires urgent attention. For this reason, the parish is planning a major car park repair project in 2026.

The proposed works will include:
an engineering inspection and assessment, excavation and surface restoration, the laying of new concrete, improved drainage, and final line marking.

This is a significant project that will require substantial funding. Further information will be shared in due course, including details on how parishioners can support this important work. In the meantime, your prayers and continued support are sincerely appreciated as we prepare for this project for the safety and wellbeing of our parish community.

Thank you.
 With every blessing,
Fr Frank Yangmintia, CS





St Brigid's Novena
 Friday 6th — Saturday 14th February 2026

Lenten Preparation
 Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on 18th February. Parishioners are invited to begin preparing their hearts through prayer, fasting, and reflection.
 

9.15am (Church) Ash Wednesday Mass
 7.30pm (Church) Ash Wednesday Mass
& Novena in Honour to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
 (Filipino Chaplaincy)


OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adult)
Instructions have commenced
Sundays 11.00am in the Convent Conference Room.

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE 20 JULY-13 AUGUST 2026
 Fatima, Avila, Toledo, Zaragoza, Lourdes, Carcassonne, Avignon, Genova, Cinque Terre, Padova, Plitvice, Medjugorje, Dubrovnik, San Giovanni Rotondo, Loreto, Cascia, Asisi & Rome.
Accompanied by Mrs Maria Azzolina– Contact: Rebecca: 0411 694 244/Mrs Maria Azzolina: 0408348513/Mary: 0408919073