



Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

17th November, 2024

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CHILD PROTECTION - is everyone's responsibility

Check the Parish Website for:

Child Safety & Code of Conduct Policy
Parish Privacy Act / Professional Standards

A parent must accompany any child leaving the church during Mass.

Parish Email gisborne@cam.org.au

Parish Website melbcatholic.org/s/gisborne

Secretary Hours Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am – 5:00pm

CONTINUING PRAYER LIST:

Please pray for those who are in ill health:

**Eileen S, Corine V, Megan B,
Glenys O, Anthony S, Fran S,
Helen K, Shane R, George T, Gerard H,
Henslee C, Doris S, Jacqueline D &
Sebastian M.**

We pray for the recently deceased, especially **Eleanor Bryant** and for those who have an anniversary at this time, especially **Pat Haire, Trevor Hannan, Pauline Hartley & Brian Somers.**

May they rest in peace*Please email Tam if you would like an Anniversary included.***UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

16/11/24 Saturday 6pm Mass – Gisborne
17/11/24 Normal Sunday Masses
19/11/24 5pm Weekday Mass - Gisborne
20/11/24 9:15am – Weekday Mass – Gisborne
21/11/24 9:15am – Weekday Mass - Gisborne
21/11/24 10am – Scripture Study – see ad
22/11/24 9:15am – Weekday Mass – Gisborne
23/11/24 Saturday 6pm Mass – Gisborne
24/11/24 Normal Sunday Masses
24/11/24 12pm – Baptism's – Gisborne

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR S.V.D.P.

Christmas cards now available in church.

Packet of 5 cards - \$5

All proceeds will go to the operations of the
Gisborne Conference of St. Vincent De Paul.

REFLECTION by Fr. Michael Tate

Have you ever seen those pictures of angels? They are like babies with delicate gossamer wings. How sentimental, how pathetically trivial, how untrue. Angels are more like the light-swords wielded by Luke Skywalker in Star Wars. The good angels are lightning flashes of energy serving God's purpose in the battle against evil forces which can seem to dominate our worlds, private and social.

God loved us into existence in order to share in his life, but there are forces at work trying to frustrate that. There is a cosmic-scale battle going on. Who is on our side in that battle? The angels. Who are they?

They are non-bodily beings of great intelligence and power. Those are the angels, and those who have chosen to love and serve God are on our side.

Some are archangels with a cosmic-scale brief. We hear of one in the first reading: 'Michael, the great Prince who stands guard over your people'. Others are our individual Guardian Angels so that when powers of darkness seem to engulf us, we can turn to our Guardian Angel and say: 'Fight for me', and that light-sword of God will engage in battle because that is that sort of angel's way of serving God.

We could pause a moment to pray, thanking God for the Archangels who guard our church community and for our personal Guardian Angels, and asking our Lord Jesus Christ to command those angels to gather us as his chosen to share His glory.

mtate@bigpond.com**SPECIAL COLLECTION - Prison Sunday 10 November 2024****CatholicCare Victoria – Pastoral Care Appeal 2024**

Thank you! Last weekend, we conducted CatholicCare Victoria's annual Pastoral Care Appeal in our parish. Thank you for enabling CatholicCare Victoria and their Catholic Prison Chaplains to continue being messengers of God's mercy, love and compassion. Thank you to those who have supported this Appeal.

If you still wish to donate or if you would like to learn more about the Chaplaincy Services, please visit
www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9967 2515.

NOVEMBER MASSES

As November is the month we remember our departed loved ones, parishioners are invited to bring along photos of those they wish to be remembered during our weekend liturgies.

These photos will be placed at the front of the altar and prayed for during the Mass.



Rosters & Events



Ministers for next weekend's Masses

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – Year B 23rd & 24th November, 2024

6:00pm Mass St. Brigid's Reader: L. Scott Eucharist: N. Spiers	8:00am Mass St. Ambrose's Welcomer: J. White Reader: A. Dewar	Flowers: K. Page & L. DeBono 
9:30am Mass St. Patrick's Reader: K. Petherbridge Eucharist: K. Vandenberg	11:00am Mass St. Brigid's Reader: B. Myers Eucharist: D. Egan	

SAVE THE DATE!!! CHRISTMAS CAROLS at St. BRIGID'S PARISH HALL

Sunday 1st December, 2024 at 5:30pm

ARCHDIOCESAN CELEBRATION

Let's come together and celebrate all that God is doing in our Archdiocese as we begin our journey towards the Year of Jubilee 2025 and the Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF) to be held in Melbourne in December 2025.

Join us at St Patrick's Cathedral on the feast of Christ the King for a day of worship, thanksgiving and hope-filled celebration.

- 11am: Solemn Mass
- 12–2pm: Festival in the Cathedral grounds as we launch 'one year to go' until ACYF.

Event Date: Sunday 24 Nov 2024
11.00am–2.00pm

Venue

1 Cathedral Place - East Melbourne

THANKSGIVING BY DIRECT DEBIT

If you would like to contribute to the Thanksgiving Program, you may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

St. Brigid's Church Account
NAB

BSB: 083 347

Acct: 6742 95773

Please use your surname and TG number as the reference.

PRIEST & PRESBYTERY BY DIRECT DEBIT

If you would like to contribute to the Priest & Presbytery expenses, you may do so by direct debit to the acct below:

St. Brigid's Presbytery Account
NAB

BSB: 083 347

Acct: 6672 72303

Please use your surname as the reference.

2024 GIVING TREE

This year St. Brigid's Parish Giving Tree will be supporting the Gisborne branch of St. Vincent de Paul.

They are asking for donations of Food Gift Cards, which can be purchased from Foodworks, IGA, Coles and Aldi in Gisborne to any value. Also included is 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 – 30th Nov / 1st Dec. Could donations please be returned no later than Sunday 15th December, so the Gift Cards can be distributed to families for Christmas.



Gift cards can be returned to any Mass, Parish Office and both Schools.

VOLUNTEER ROSTERS

Rosters for all ministries will shortly be started for 2025.

Could all volunteers please advise by return email, a quick phone call or a note in the collection bag if you are able to re-commit to service in 2025.

If you would like to come onboard as a volunteer with the parish, we would love to hear from you. All volunteers need a current Working with Children Check and are required to undertake training in line with our Safeguarding Policy.

Please contact the office for details.

KARATE CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

Thursday evenings 6pm - 1st TWO lessons free then \$7 per class

No term commitment required; pay as you come.

Enquiries: Kathryn Aprile—0404 340 892

RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation - By appointment only

Please see Fr. Vincent after Mass to arrange a time.

Weekly Social Cards Night

St. Brigid's Hall – Tuesday 7:30pm start - Entry \$10 per player

Light supper served on completion of play

EVERYONE WELCOME

SCRIPTURE STUDIES

Thursday – 10am

For all enquiries

please contact

Bernie 0414 890 377

OPEN HOUSE

Meet after 11am

Sunday Mass at the

Kaffeine Bar for a

coffee and chat.

Everyone Welcome!

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Should you have a loved one gravely ill and in need of anointing or the services of a priest, please call the Parish Landline on 5428 2591.

St Brigid's Parish Weekly Giving

Collections last week: Presbytery \$547
Thanksgiving \$1014

Thank you for your ongoing support through the Thanksgiving Program.

Introduction:

The last weeks of the liturgical year are always strong on the teaching of Jesus that he would come again in glory. We are reminded of the last things: life and death, heaven and hell, and in particular the Second Coming. Our Christian faith does not give us the answer to when the coming will be, it only reminds us of the need to prepare and be ready - whenever it is.

1st Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

This reading from the prophet Daniel uses strong apocalyptic language full of images and visions. The prophet speaks of a future time when God's saving judgement will lead us to happiness.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

The Letter to the Hebrews deals with the superiority of the sacrifice of Christ over the sacrifices of the priests of the temple. Christ has offered one sacrifice for sins, and we share in his sacrifice.

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

We hear of the parable of the fig tree and the words of Jesus about the coming of the Son of Man. The signs of the end of the world are always vague and nebulous, but Jesus urges us to be "on guard" and "to stay awake".

Prayer of Intercession: We have heard the words of Jesus calling us to be ready and prepared for the hour of judgement, whenever it is. Let us pray in faith, not fear.

1. Jesus proclaimed that the Son of Man will come in glory. Let us pray that our lives prepare us to be ready, whenever is the time.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

2. Jesus assures us no one knows the day nor the hour. Let us pray that people trust the Scriptures and not be led astray by cult leaders and false teachings.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

3 We pray for Bishop Elect Thinh Nguyen & Rene Ramirez as they prepare for their ministry in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. May Jesus the Good Shepherd inspire their ministry.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

4 We pray for the community of Riddells Creek as they come to terms with those affected by the recent tragic accident. May the community and families involved be held gently in the palm of the Lord.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

5 We pray for ourselves and the needs of all in our parish community. We pray for those who are sick – especially those on our parish prayer list – and for all who care for them. For the faithful departed: for those who have died recently, especially ***Eleanor Bryant*** and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially ***Pat Haire, Trevor Hannan, Pauline Hartley & Brian Somers*** that they share eternal light in God's peace.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

Please join in the Parish Prayer.

Celebrant: God of mercy, your love and justice is everlasting. When we are anxious or afraid, calm our hearts with the memory of your promise that we may wait in joyful hope for the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ, who is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

Next Weeks Readings: Daniel 7:13-14, Apocalypse 1:5-8, John 18:33-37

ST. BRIGID'S GISBORNE PARISH PRAYER

God our Father, we thank you for all the blessings we enjoy in our parish family of St. Brigid's Gisborne.

Many have laboured to build our parish. May we all work together and hand in hand stand together.

May our parish be filled with holiness and prayer, faith and love.

May all who come here find a welcoming home, comfort in their needs and strength for their journey.

St. Brigid, St. Patrick, St. Ambrose and St. Colmcille watch over us always we pray, that with faith we grow and learn.

We make our prayer in Jesus name.

Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, (*all bow*)
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried; "he descended into hell";
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen

The Living Word

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First Reading

Daniel 12:1-3

A reading from the prophet Daniel.

When that time comes your own people will be spared.

‘At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.’

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1

(R.) *Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.*

1. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R.)
2. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)
3. You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness forever. (R.)

Second Reading

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 21:36

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful, and pray constantly,
that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 13:24-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

‘Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

FIND THE SECRET ANSWER

Help the angel find the hidden answer to this question “Who will know when the time is right for Jesus to return?”

In the puzzle below, cross out any letter that appears four or more times. Then unscramble the remaining letters to complete the verse below.

B	M	G	S	N	D	V	K	P	Y	Z
J	W	Q	I	H	Z	O	S	W	E	V
P	C	T	B	V	Q	G	X	M	P	I
M	Q	S	L	N	K	Y	C	S	U	B
X	D	J	M	T	X	V	D	J	Z	V
L	U	O	K	S	J	B	K	C	D	R
Q	E	L	P	G	O	Z	U	Q	S	Y
G	I	W	U	X	M	F	K	C	N	G
L	O	C	S	B	I	P	L	J	D	P
Z	U	Y	L	H	N	G	Q	A	W	K

ONLY _____ KNOWS.



St Brigid's Carols in the Hall

Open Mic



Christmas Carols @ St Brigid's Hall

Sunday 1st December @ 5:30pm

Fisher St, Gisborne entrance to carpark

Musicians welcome to participate:

contact Kevin or Gerard to book a spot on the Mic

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ALL WELCOME! Bring a plate to share!

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