



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Year B

24th 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 & Diane M.**

We pray for the recently deceased, especially **Michael Carter** and for those who have an anniversary at this time, especially **Travis Stephens, Dorothea Lindqvist, Marie Irwin, Graham Miller & Joan Bourke.**

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

23/11/24 Saturday 6pm Mass – Gisborne
24/11/24 Normal Sunday Masses
24/11/24 12pm – Baptism's – Gisborne
26/11/24 5pm Weekday Mass - Gisborne
27/11/24 9:15am – Weekday Mass – Gisborne
28/11/24 **NO Weekday Mass**
28/11/24 Holy Cross School Mass
28/11/24 10am – Scripture Study – see ad
28/11/24 7pm - PPC Meeting – Parish Office
29/11/24 9:15am – Weekday Mass – Gisborne
30/11/24 Saturday 6pm Mass – Gisborne
01/12/24 Normal Sunday Masses
01/12/24 5:30pm - Carols in the Hall

REFLECTION by Fr. Michael Tate

What are we to make of the famous reply of Jesus to Pilate: 'My kingdom is not of this world'? Left there, it sounds as though Jesus is talking about a realm which is far removed from terrestrial concerns. Perhaps our task as his followers is to meditate into a blissful nothingness, to live other-worldly lives.

It is a poor translation, and it should read: 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would have fought to stop my being handed over.' Of all the ways in which our Lord could have contrasted his realm with all the other ways in which societies are ruled, he chose a contrast about the use of force. Rather, his reign springs from his Father's will that humanity should live together in a realm of non-violence.

We can easily criticise ISIL's blasphemous use of barbaric violence in the supposed service of religion. It is the most extreme opposite of Our Lord's teaching which He embodied in his practice. But, even for us, the challenge is there to restrain too-ready resort to armed violence and to humanely moderate its exercise where it is used to protect the innocent.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the coming of the Kingdom, not as an 'out of this world' experience, but in the words of the Our Father: 'Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.'

mtate@bigpond.com**BAPTISM PRAYER**

We ask our God, the giver of life, to bless you,

Abigail, Indi, Poppy & Oliver

who will be baptised in our parish this weekend.

We the Parish of St. Brigids,
welcome and support you.

**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.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS**at St. BRIGID'S PARISH HALL**Sunday 1st December, 2024 at 5:30pm

Please see flyers in church or the last page of the
bulletin if read via email for further details.

ALL WELCOME



Rosters & Events



Ministers for next weekend's Masses

First Sunday of Advent – Year C

30th November & 1st December, 2024

6:00pm Mass St. Brigid's Reader: L. Jackanic Eucharist: L. Wilson	8:00am Mass St. Ambrose's Welcomer: J. White Reader: M. Henry	Flowers: J. Shumack 
9:30am Mass St. Patrick's Reader: E. Kilgariff Eucharist: R. Fisher	11:00am Mass St. Brigid's Reader: T. Armstrong Eucharist: K. Page	

WEEKLY CARDS GROUP

Thank you very much to everyone who has made our Tuesday card nights such an enjoyable and successful event.

We are grateful to those who donate prizes and to those who share their company with us.

Our last cards evening for 2024 will be held on December 10th and we will recommence in 2025 on January 21st.

Janice

FINANCE COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!!

Nomination forms will be available in the coming weeks to express interest in joining the Parish Finance Committee.
Please contact the office if you are interested.

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.

THANK YOU TO LYNNE SCOTT

At each of our churches and for each of our Masses, we have a Sacristan who co-ordinates a team of volunteers to help the Masses run smoothly.

Lynne has been the Sacristan at the 6pm Mass in Gisborne for quite some time.

This week, Lynne has stepped down from her role and handed the reigns to

Kathryn Aprile who has been helping Lynne along the way.

Lynne isn't going anywhere and she will still be there to give a helping hand but on behalf of the parish, we extend our thanks to Lynne for her wonderful service.

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 \$463
Thanksgiving \$1140

Thank you for your ongoing support through the Thanksgiving Program.

Introduction: Welcome to the last celebration of this liturgical year. It is the feast of Christ the King, the most recent feast in our Church calendar introduced only in 1925. It proclaims the vision of God's plan through Christ for the life of the world.

1st Reading: Daniel 7:13-14

We hear the style of the apocalyptic literature of the Book of Daniel. Once again it is full of visions and images, but focused on the crowning of a "Son of Man".

2nd Reading: Apocalypse 1:5-8

We hear again the language of revelations, and the well known theme of the biblical images of Alpha and Omega. We recall that Jesus is the Lord of time.

Gospel: John 18:33-37

In this passage from John's Gospel in the dialogue with Pilate, we hear their discussion about the nature of Christ being King.

Prayer of Intercession: Christ has made us into a kingdom, priest for his God and Father. As a priestly people, therefore, we offer our prayers of petition to God who looks upon us with love.

1. We pray for our Church leaders, the Pope and bishops. May their witness always be modelled on the example of Jesus whose kingship was one of service to his flock.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

2. We pray for all civic leaders. May they all have the courage of Pilate to raise questions about the great issues of life.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

3. We pray for our community and Christians everywhere that they be united in witness to God's kingdom in its true realm and not build kingdoms in this world.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

4. We pray for those suffering throughout the world from hunger, war, conflict, epidemics, drought and other natural disasters. May they be strengthened and sustained by our prayers and the love of God.

(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 *Michael Carter* and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially *Travis Stephens, Dorothea Lindqvist, Marie Irwin, Graham Miller & Joan Bourke*. May the passing of time bring healing to their families as we again look back in thanksgiving for their lives and love.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

Please join in the Parish Prayer.

Celebrant: O God, your Son Jesus is the true sign of life. Receive our prayers today for the full revelation of that kingdom in our world. We ask this in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen

Next weeks readings: Jeremiah 33:14-16; 1 Thess. 3:12-4:2; Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

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 7:13-14

A reading from the prophet Daniel.

His sovereignty is eternal.

I gazed into the visions of the night.

And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.

He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.

On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his
servants.

His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire be destroyed.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1

(R.) *The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.*

1. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power. (R)
2. The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are. (R)
3. Truly your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time. (R)

Second Reading

Apocalypse 1:5-8

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.

*The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a line of
kings, priests to serve his God.*

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the
dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and
has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a
line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him,
then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he
who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even
those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will
mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha
and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and
who is to come, the Almighty.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Mark 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our
Father;

blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 18:33-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

You say that I am a king.

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied,
'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken
to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is
your own people and the chief priests who have handed you
over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is
not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this
world, my men would have fought to prevent my being
surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this
kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who
say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for
this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the
truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my
voice.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Pontius Pilate was the Roman Governor of Judea at the
time of Jesus' ministry. There are 10 things
wrong with this picture. Can you
find them all?



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

Ph: 54261354 or

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ALL WELCOME! Bring a plate to share!

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