



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C

6th July, 2025

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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
Parish Facebook Page www.facebook.com/stbrigidsparishgisborne

Secretary Hours Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am – 5:00pm**CONTINUING PRAYER LIST:**

Please pray for those who are in ill health:

**Eileen S, Corrine V, Anthony S,
Fran S, Helen K, George T, Diane M,
Marg P, Zoe F & Beth T.**

We pray for the recently deceased, especially

Kevin Shelly and for those who have an anniversary
at this time, especially **Jim Nolan,
Helen Taylor, Len Collins, Les Kays, Josip Jackanic,
Ana Jackanic, Carmen Cutajar & Tony Myers.**

May they rest in peace

Upcoming Parish Masses & Events

Sat 05/07/25 9am-10am Reconciliation – Gisborne
Sat 05/07/25 Saturday 6pm Mass – Gisborne
Sun 06/07/25 Normal Sunday Masses
Tue 08/07/25 The Oaks Mass
Tue 08/07/25 NO Weekday Mass
Wed 09/07/25 9:15am – Weekday Mass – Gisborne
Thu 10/07/25 9:15am – Weekday Mass – Gisborne
Thu 10/07/25 7pm – Liturgy Meeting – Parish Office
Fri 11/07/25 9:15am – Weekday Mass – Gisborne
Sat 12/07/25 9am-10am Reconciliation – Gisborne
Sat 12/07/25 Saturday 6pm Mass – Gisborne
Sun 13/07/25 Normal Sunday Masses

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

In Jewish tradition 'Satan' is the name given to the evil spirit who accuses and prosecutes human beings before God, demanding the strongest penalties, unmitigated by Mercy. Jesus had a vision in which he saw 'Satan fall like lightning from Heaven'. Who takes Satan's place?

The answer is the 'Paraclete', a Greek word for an Advocate. This is one of the roles of the Holy Spirit who pleads on our behalf for Mercy which, as Shakespeare put it, then falls on us 'as the gentle rain from Heaven'.

As disciples, we have to imitate the Paraclete, not Satan. We have to temper our drive to see 'the punishment fit the crime'. How often do we relish seeing a person squirm with no offer of a way out, no hint of mercy or forgiveness so that he or she can draw breath, undo some of the damage done, and get back on track to a better life?

We might pause for a moment to thank God that our names are not being listed by Satan in an indictment but rather, through the Holy Spirit, are being entered in the Book of the Saved so that we might 'Rejoice, for your names are written in Heaven'.

mtate@bigpond.com**ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY: 6th July 2025**

On the first Sunday of July each year, the Catholic Church in Australia observes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. On this day we gather as one to honour and celebrate the rich cultural heritage, spirituality and contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in our Church.

The theme for this year's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday is 'Sent Forth in Strength and Hope'.

Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Victoria warmly invites you to two important celebrations that mark the start and end of NAIDOC Week (6th-13th July). We especially encourage you to Invite the First Nations community members within your parishes and networks to attend:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday Mass

Sunday 6 July 2025, 11.00am
St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne
and

NAIDOC Week Mass

Sunday 13 July, 11am
St Francis' Church, 326 Lonsdale St, Melbourne



Rosters & Events



Ministers for next weekend's Masses

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12th & 13th July, 2025

6:00pm Mass Reader: F. Murone Eucharist: K. Aprile	8:00am Mass Welcomer: J. White Reader: P. Lawry	Flowers: J. Shumack 
9:30am Mass Reader: B. O'Callaghan Eucharist: J. O'Callaghan	11:00am Mass Reader: K. Page Eucharist: D. Egan	

RECONCILIATION

Gisborne Church
Saturday 9-10am

Reconciliation will be available for a trial period on a Saturday morning.

Reconciliation is also available by request before or after weekday Mass or at a suitable time arranged with Fr. Vincent.

JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations and special blessings to all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries during the month of July. May your journey through life be filled with daily treasures, and may you always be open, willing and ready to share your blessings with others.



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.



This year's NAIDOC Week theme of **'The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy'** this directs us to celebrating not only the achievements of the past but the bright future ahead, empowered by the strength of our young leaders, the vision of our communities, and the legacy of our ancestors. Further information on NAIDOC Week can be found at:

<https://www.naidoc.org.au>



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drinking	heal	peace	welcome
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OPEN HOUSE

Meet after 11am Sunday Mass at the Kaffee Bar for a coffee and chat.
Everyone Welcome!

SCRIPTURE STUDIES

Thursday – 10am
For all enquiries please contact
Bernie 0414 890 377

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 \$482
Thanksgiving \$980

Thank you for your ongoing support through the Thanksgiving Program.

Introduction: In Luke's Gospel the Journey theme is not merely geographical or chronological. It is the model of the journey of the whole Church and the individual Christian. This is a journey - with Jesus towards suffering and glory.

1st Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14

God's faithfulness is a constant theme in the Hebrew Scriptures. In this reading the prophet Isaiah portrays Jerusalem as the perfect mother nursing her child.

2nd Reading: Galatians 6:14-18

We hear of the extraordinary boast of St. Paul, that the only thing he can boast about is the Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and how the marks on his own body are those of Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

We hear how Jesus appointed seventy-two disciples and sent them out to the towns and places he himself was to visit and the results of their labours.

Prayer of Intercession: We hear the words of Jesus about the rich harvest for which he invites us to pray for labourers. We now pray that His prayer will be answered in the world of our day.

1. For the needs of the Church: For Pope Leo XIV, our Bishops, Clergy and all who serve your people; Help guide Church leaders to grow ever more faithful, more just, and more alive with your Spirit by listening with open hearts and minds to the voices of our First Nation Peoples, especially the vision of the young and the wisdom of the Elders.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For those who serve in positions of leadership: May they govern with courage, humility, and deep respect for every culture and all of God's creation, and make informed decisions that will bear fruit not just today, but for generations to come.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

3. For those whose strength is challenged or failing: Help us be the healing hands and feet of Christ, walking gently beside them, offering hope where there is hurt, and light where there is fear.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

4. For our Catholic Communities in Australia and around the world: That we may grow like the mighty tree — roots deep in faith, branches wide in welcome, sheltering all with strength, vision, and hope. We pray for the families of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People that they may have the strength and guidance to overcome any difficulties that are threatening their wellbeing and happiness.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

5. We pray for ourselves and the special needs of all in our parish community. We pray for those who are sick — those on our parish prayer list — the frail, and for all who care for them. For the faithful departed: for those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially *Jim Nolan, Helen Taylor, Len Collins, Les Keys, Josip Jackanic, Ana Jackanic, Carmen Cutajar & Tony Myers*, may they continue to share in the life promised us through the death and resurrection of Jesus.

(pause) We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Please join in the parish Prayer.

Celebrant: Father of heaven, you sent Jesus into our world and he sent his disciples out to proclaim that the Kingdom of God is very near. Send your Spirit of peace and love upon all who minister and witness to your kingdom, in the name of Jesus your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Next week's readings: Deuteronomy 30:10-14; Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 10:25-37

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

Isaiah 66:10-14

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

I will send toward Jerusalem peace like a river.

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her!
Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her!
That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast,
that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts.
For thus says the Lord:
Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river,
and like a stream in spate the glory of the nations.
At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in
her lap.
Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you.
And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.
At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish
like the grass.
To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 65:1-7. 16. 20. R. v.1

(R.) *Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.*

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! (R.)
1. 'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. (R.)
2. He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. (R.)
3. Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul.
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. (R.)

Second Reading Galatians 6:14-18

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians.

The marks I carry on my body are those of Jesus Christ.

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God. I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Col 3:15. 16

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,
and the fullness of his message live within you.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 10:1-12, 17-20
(or shorter form Lk 10:1-9)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

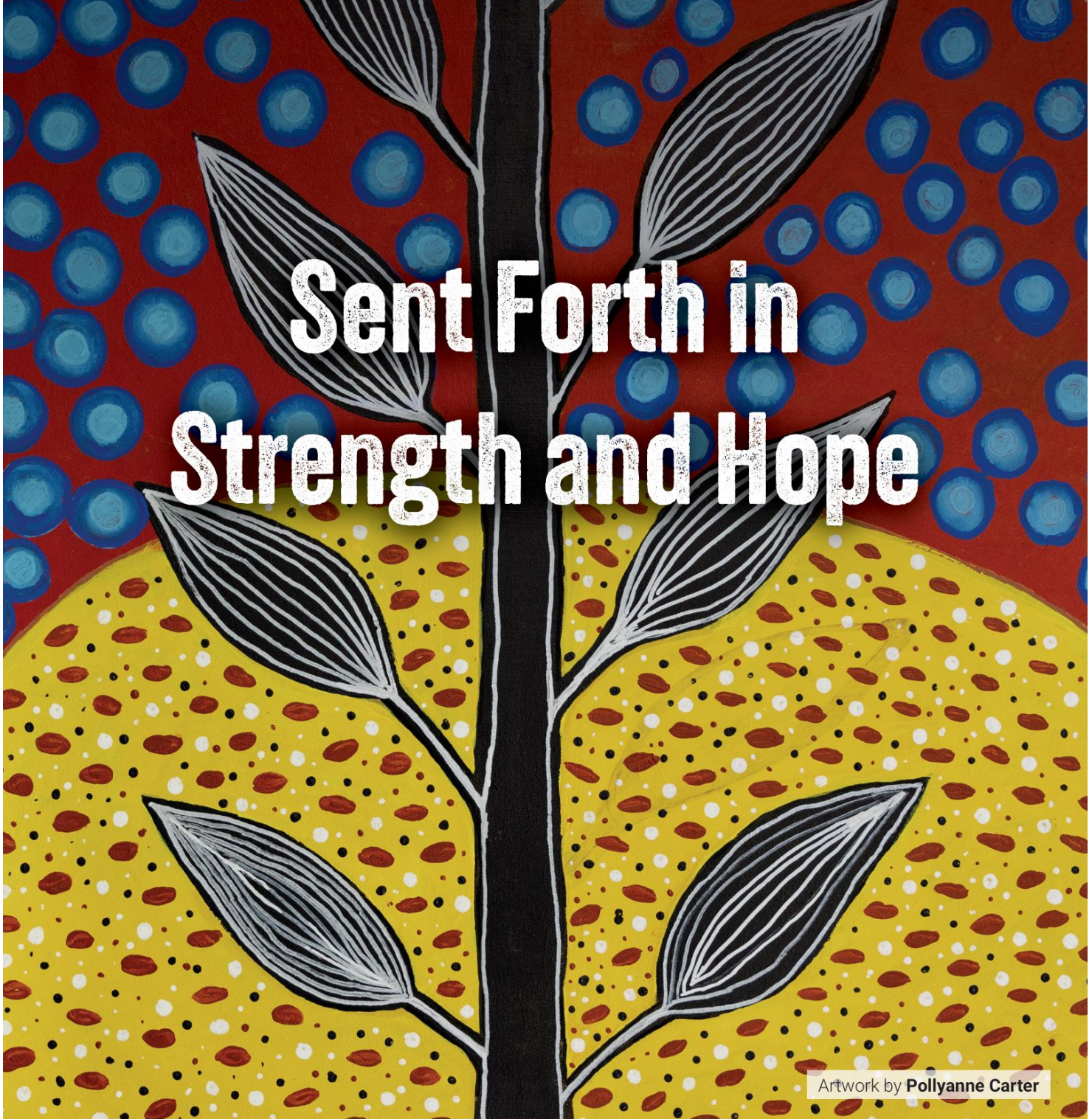
Your peace will rest upon him.

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.





Sent Forth in Strength and Hope

Artwork by **Pollyanne Carter**

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We gather as one in Christ — celebrating the deep faith, culture,
and gifts of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics.

Find resources for your Parish at www.natsicc.org.au.

