

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 22: 19-23

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:
I dismiss you from your office,
I remove you from your post,
and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah.
I invest him with your robe,
gird him with your sash,
entrust him with your authority;
and he shall be a father
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem
and to the House of Judah.
I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder;
should he open, no one shall close,
should he close, no one shall open.
I drive him like a peg
into a firm place;
he will become a throne of glory
for his father's house.
The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Lord, your love is eternal;
do not forsake the work of your hands.**

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 11: 33-36

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.
The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 16: 13-20

You are Peter, to you I will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven.
When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, ‘Who do people say the Son of Man is?’ And they said, ‘Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ ‘But you,’ he said ‘who do you say I am?’
Then Simon Peter spoke up, ‘You are the Christ,’ he said, ‘the Son of the living God.’ Jesus replied, ‘Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it.
I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.’ Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.
The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon :

*The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;
you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.*

Entrata: <u>LODATE DIO</u> Lodate Dio, schiera beate del cielo, lodate Dio, genti di tutta la terra: cantate a lui, che l'universo creò, somma sapienza e splendore. Lodate Dio, Padre che dona ogni bene. lodate Dio, ricco di grazia e perdono: cantate a lui, che tanto gli uomini amò da dare l'unico Figlio. Lodate Dio, uno e trino Signore, lodate Dio, mèta e premio dei buoni: cantate a lui, sorgente di ogni bontà, per tutti i secoli. Amen!	Offertorio: <u>A TE SIGNOR LEVIAMO I CUORI</u> A te Signore leviamo i cuori A te Signor noi li doniam. Quel pane bianco che t'offre la Chiesa e' frutto santo del nostro lavoro accettalo, Signore, e benedici. Rit. Quel vino puro che t'offre la Chiesa forma la gioia dei nostri bei colli; accettalo, Signore, e benedici. Rit. Gioie, dolori, fatiche e speranze nel sacro calice noi deponiamo: accettali, Signore, e benedici. Rit.	Comunione: <u>TI RINGRAZIO, O MIO SIGNORE</u> Ti ringrazio, o mio Signore, per le cose che sono nel mondo, per la vita che tu mi hai donato, per l'amore che tu nutri per me. Alleluia, O mio Signore! Alleluia, O Dio del Cielo! Alleluia, O mio Signore! Alleluia, O Dio del Ciel! Come il pane che abbiamo spezzato Era sparso in grano sui colli, così unisci noi, sparsi nel mondo, in un Corpo che sia solo per te. Rit. Quell'amore che unisce te al Padre Sia la forza che unisce i fratelli ed il mondo conosca la pace: la tua gioia regni sempre tra noi. Rit.	Fine: <u>SANTA MARIA DEL CAMMINO</u> Mentre trascorre la vita, solo tu non sei mai Santa Maria del cammino, sempre sarà con te. Vieni o Madre in mezzo a noi vieni Maria quaggiù cammineremo insieme a te verso la libertà. Quando qualcuno ti dice: "Nulla mai cambierà" lotta per un mondo nuovo, lotta per la verità. Rit. Lungo la strada la gente, chiusa in se stessa va: offri per primo la mano a chi è vicino a te. Rit.
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Weekly Parish Newsletter

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St Brigid’s Fitzroy North

WEEKDAY MASSES (in Church)

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

3rd 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 church

Adoration 2nd Saturday 4:30pm followed by
5:30pm Mass

Faith Formation

1st Monday 9:45am

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:

WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?

Jesus asks his disciples this question in today’s Gospel.

He asks us the same question. He is not seeking a textbook response or for us to repeat personal response.

May we answer his question as truthfully as possible, and then listen as he speaks to us.

Excerpts from St. Paul’s Sunday Missal.

Riflessione:

Quando Gesù chiese ai suoi discepoli: “La gente chi dice che sia il Figlio dell’uomo?”, le loro risposte rispecchiarono le diverse teorie e speculazioni riguardo Gesù diffuse nella loro cultura. Se la stessa domanda fosse posta da Gesù oggi, le risposte sembrerebbero forse più colte, ma sarebbero molto simili. Invece di evocare Elia, Giovanni Battista o Geremia, si evocherebbero forse le speculazioni dell’ultimo convegno sulla cristologia, oppure ancora i risultati di un recente sondaggio. Possiamo immaginare che Gesù ascolterebbe gentilmente, forse sorridendo. Poi però giunge la vera e propria domanda: “Voi chi dite che io sia?”. Non possiamo più rifugiarcì dietro ad opinioni di altri, siano essi teologi o conduttori di dibattiti televisivi. Gesù vuole la nostra risposta personale. Dobbiamo prendere posizione personalmente nei suoi confronti.

È quello che succede con l’atto di fede. Gesù lancia una sfida a ogni uomo e a ogni donna direttamente e personalmente: “Tu, chi dici che io sia?”. La nostra risposta possa essere quella di Pietro: “Tu sei il Cristo, il figlio del Dio vivente”. La nostra risposta possa essere quella della Chiesa, che fu fondata da Cristo su Pietro come su una pietra, affinché il “credo” diventasse un “crediamo”: Crediamo in Dio, Padre onnipotente..., in un solo Signore Gesù Cristo, unigenito Figlio di Dio..., per opera dello Spirito Santo... incarnato nel seno della Vergine Maria.

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	Responsial Psalm	St. Mark	St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/SABATO 22nd August 2026 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	The glory of the Lord will dwell in our land.		12.00pm Mass (Eritrean Comm) 5.30pm Mass † Gabriel DUGGAN 7.00pm Spanish Mass	10.00am Baptism of Oscar Kevin HUME - GARCIA 11.00am Baptism of Victoria CHISCO ANDRADE Congratulations!
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 23rd August 2026 21st Sunday in the Ordinary Time	Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.	10.00am Portuguese Mass	9.45am English Mass † Gabriel DUGGAN 11.00am Italian Mass	12.00pm Baptism of Charlie Melo NORTHEAST Congratulations!
Monday/Lunedì 24th August 2026 St Bartholomew, apostle	Your friends tell the glory of your kingship, Lord.		9.15am Mass For the people of Myanmar † Gabriel DUGGAN	
Tuesday/Martedì 25th August 2026 Tuesday of the 21st Week in Ordinary Time	The Lord comes to judge the earth.		9.15am Mass † Gabriel DUGGAN 7.30pm Baptism Workshop	10.30am Baptism of Isak CUKUR VELAZQUEZ Mikaela CUKUR VELAZQUEZ Congratulations!
Wednesday/Mercoledì 26th August 2026 Wednesday of the 21st Week in Ordinary Time	Happy are those who fear the Lord.		9.15am Mass † Gabriel DUGGAN 7.30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena and Mass (Filipino Comm)	
Thursday/Giovedì 27th August 2026 St Monica	I will praise your name for ever, Lord.		9.15am Mass † Gabriel DUGGAN	
Friday/Venerdì 28th August 2026 St Augustine, bishop, doctor	The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.		8.30am Divine Mercy and Adoration 9.15am Mass † Gabriel DUGGAN	
Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father - August : For evangelization in the city. Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.				
29th August 2026 (Vigil)	5.30pm	30th August 2026	9.45am	11.00am
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	M. de Souza		MC Sister	T. Toscano
II Reading	M. de Souza		D Dunlevie	P. La Marca
Prayers of the Faithful	M. de Souza		C Smith	G. Catena
Altar Servers			C Smith	F Sirianni
EMHC			Simret Telia	
The Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo - Scalabrinians - www.scalabrinian.org Ministering to the Parish and Migrants in St. Brigid's Fitzroy North, since 1959.				

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Parish News



ONLINE GIVING
Please scan this QR Code If anyone wishes to make an online donation .



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



St. Brigid's Weekend Collection
1st Collection : \$ 322.10
2nd Collection : \$ 276.15
Online Donation : \$ 280.88
Thank you for your generosity and continued support. Your kindness helps us strengthen and serve our community with faith and compassion.

Earthquake Appeal
Colombia and Flores, Indonesia
Donation Box Available
A donation box will be available at the back of the church this weekend and next weekend to support those affected by the recent earthquakes in Colombia and Flores, Indonesia. We kindly invite parishioners to offer support to assist the affected communities and families during this difficult time.
On behalf of Fr Frank and Fr Fabio, thank you for your kind generosity.



Flores, IndonesiaColombia



Scalabrinian Vocational Year 2026-2027
Let us pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood within the Scalabrinian Congregation as it celebrates its Vocational Year.
May more hearts be inspired to respond generously to God's call and serve migrants and people on the move with compassion and dedication.

Temporary Closure of Chapel
Please note that the chapel is temporarily closed due to roof repair works.
Weekday Masses will be held in the church until further notice.
We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Archbishop's Campaign 2026
Thank you to everyone who has so generously already made a pledge or gift to the 2026 Archbishop's Campaign. Every gift, large or small, is greatly appreciated! If you are yet to make a gift, you can still do so.
This campaign supports the vital ministries of the Church in our Archdiocese.
Online (direct debit or credit card) donations are the most secure and preferred method of donating, or you can use the campaign envelopes with tear-off pledge cards.

First Holy Communion
First Holy Communion registration and classes will start on Sunday, 23rd August 2026.
The classes are open for those who are 8 years old and above.
For further enquiries, please call Sr. Maria Ina MC on 03 9415 1011 or 0405 785 710 or parish office on 9489 6777 / email to fitzroynorth@cam.org.au





RCIA
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
Are you, or someone you know, interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about Catholic faith?
Registrations for the RCIA program are now open.
Classes will commence in September 2026.
For more information or to register, please contact the Parish Office on 9489 6777 or email to fitzroynorth@cam.org.au



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ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION ON THE PERMANENT DIACONATE
The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men, aged from 30 into their 50's, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. The information session is open to everyone interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate.
Online Diaconate information meeting
Tuesday, 22 September 2026 beginning 19:00 – 20:00 via ZOOM
Attendance will be by invitation. Express your interest by emailing Deacon Kevin Pattison at Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au
In the week before the session the ZOOM link will be sent to those who have expressed interest.



Light into the City
Light into the City is a five to ten-year vision that involves the careful and necessary restoration of St Patrick's Cathedral and heritage buildings, and the renewal of the Cathedral precinct.
It will strengthen the Church's mission to serve with mercy, hope and joy, ensuring this sacred site continues to welcome, gather and inspire generations to come.
The Archbishop invites Catholics and the wider community to be part of Light into the City, a shared investment in faith, heritage and the future of the city.