

4 ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia (Acts 1:11).

A reading ing from the Acts of the Apostles (1:1-11)
In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is,' he had said, 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.' Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.' As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, 'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: *God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.*

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **(R.)**

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **(R.)**

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **(R.)**

Canto D'Ingresso NOI CANTEREMO GLORIA A TE Noi canteremo gloria a Te, Padre che dai la vita, Dio d'immensa carità, Trinità infinita. Tutto il creato vive in Te, segno della tua gloria; tutta la storia ti darà onore e vittoria. La tua Parola venne a noi, annuncio del tuo dono; la tua Promessa porterà salvezza e perdono Cristo il Padre rivelò, per noi aprì il suo cielo; egli un giorno tornerà glorioso, nel suo regno.	 Canto D'Offertorio O SIGNORE, NOI T'OFFRIAMO O Signore, noi t'offriamo Tutti insieme questo pane; è il frutto della terra e dell'uomo che lavora. Benedetto sia tu, Signore; questo pane che mangiamo è un dono del tuo amore è un segno di bontà.  O Signore, noi t'offriamo Tutti insieme questo vino: è il frutto della vite e dell'uomo che lavora Benedetto sia tu, Signore; questo vino che beviamo è un dono del tuo amore è un segno di bontà.
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A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Ephesians (1:1-13)
I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, over all, through all and within all. Each one of us, however, has been given his own share of grace, given as Christ allotted it. It was said that he would: When he ascended to the height, he captured prisoners, he gave gifts to men. When it says, 'he ascended', what can it mean if not that he descended right down to the lower regions of the earth? The one who rose higher than all the heavens to fill all things is none other than the one who descended. And to some, his gift was that they should be apostles; to some, prophets; to some, evangelists; to some, pastors and teachers; so that the saints together make a unity in the work of service, building up the body of Christ. In this way we are all to come to unity in our faith and in our knowledge of the Son of God, until we become the perfect Man, fully mature with the fullness of Christ himself. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia! (Mt. 28: 19,20)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Mark (16:15-20)
Jesus showed himself to the Eleven and said to them, 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all creation. He who believes and is baptised is saved; he who does not believe will be condemned. These are the signs that will be associated with believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover.' And so the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven: there at the right hand of God he took his place, while they, going out, preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it.

The Gospel of the Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia. (Mt 28:20).	Canto di Comunione SYMBOLUM Tu sei la mia vita, altro io no ho, tu sei la mia strada, la mia verità, Nella tua parola, io camminerò Finchè avrò respiro fino a quando tu vorrai Non avrò paura, sai, se tu sei con me. Io ti prego resta con me. Credo in te Signore, nato da Maria, Figlio eterno e santo, uomo come noi, Morto per amore vivo in mezzo a noi Una cosa sola, con il Padre e con i tuoi, Fino a quando, io lo so, tu ritornerai, Per aprirci il regno di Dio Tu sei la mia forza, altro io no ho. Tu sei la mia pace, la mia libertà. Niente nella vita ci separerà, So che la tua mano forte non mi lascerà So che da ogni male, tu mi libererai E nel tuo perdono vivrò. Padre della vita, noi crediamo in te Figlio Salvatore noi speriamo in te Spirito d'amore, vieni in mezzo a noi Tu da mille strade ci raduni in unità E per mille strade, poi, dove tu vorrai, Noi saremo il seme di Dio.	 Canto Finale AVE MARIA DI FATIMA Il tredici maggio apparve Maria ai tre pastorelli in cova d'Iria. Ave, Ave, ave Maria. Ave, Ave, ave Maria. In valle d'Iria nel mese dei fior Apparve Maria, regina dei cuor. Rit. Maria, l'annuncio celesti ascoltò E il Figlio di Dio in lei s'incarnò. Rit. Io sono la mamma del dolce Signor, Che porta la fiamma del santo suo amor. Rit. Dal cielo discesi per rendere quaggiù I cuori più accesi d'amore a Gesù. Rit. 
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We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand.

We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently on this land.

St Brigid's Fitzroy North

WEEKDAY MASSES (in Chapel)
Monday-Friday 9:15am

WEEKEEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 6:00pm English 7:00pm Spanish Mass in Swahili 3 rd Sunday 5:00pm	Sunday 9:45am English 11:00am Italian Mass in Brazilian Last Sunday 5:00pm
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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
2nd – 3rd – 4th Friday 6-7pm at chapel

Adoration 2nd Saturday 5:00pm

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 7:30pm

CCR (Emmaus & Maranatha Prayer Groups)
Monday 6pm & Saturday 9.30am
in old convent

St Brigid's Food Pantry
1st Tuesday 11:00am
1st and 3rd Saturday 9:00pm

Parish Hall for Hire
Inquiries 0417534352

St Mark's Princess Hill
Sunday
8:30am English – Italian
10:00am Portuguese

Homily notes:

Triumph of the Risen Lord
MESSIANIC GLORY
In biblical language and imagery this mode of departure from the earth signals the truth that the One who had been crucified on the trumped-up charge of being a political Messiah, a rebel against Rome, and who God raised from the dead in vindication of his true status, has now entered messianic glory at God's right hand.

Just before Jesus departs, the disciples voice a strong sense of “unfinished business”: “Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?” Jesus does not give a direct answer. The time of the Kingdom's full arrival and the completion of the messianic program remains shrouded in the mystery of God. What the disciples must understand is that, empowered by the Spirit, they are to become instruments of its realisation in the new era – that of the Church – that lies ahead. Through their hands and feet and mouth Jesus will continue his messianic work until the end of time.

FEAST OF HOPE
The Ascension is not simply something that happened to Jesus – his departure, physically, from this world. It is the feast that celebrates the hope that evil and all that makes for dehumanisation and death in our world will not have the last word. -- Excerpts from Fr Brendan Byrne SJ 2 May 2024

Riflessione (estratti da <https://www.lachiesa.it> 10/5/24)
Gli apostoli sono i messaggeri di una Parola che tocca l'uomo nel centro della sua vita. Il Vangelo, affidato alla Chiesa, ci dà una risposta definitiva: se crediamo, siamo salvati, se rifiutiamo di credere o alziamo le spalle, siamo perduti. Attraverso la fede, che è il sì dato dall'uomo a Dio, noi riceviamo la vita. Il Signore conferma la predicazione degli apostoli con molti segni; e segni accompagnano anche i credenti. Attraverso questi segni, diversi e coestesi alla missione della Chiesa, Dio vuole garantire la sua azione in coloro che egli ha inviato e invita tutti gli uomini ad abbandonare ciò che è visibile e quindi attraente per il mistero della salvezza.

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

2	Liturgical Calendar and activities			
Day of the Week	Liturgical Celebration	Intention St. Mark	Intention St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/SABATO 11 th May 2024 Year “B” The ASCENSION of the LORD “VIGIL”	‘Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News to all Creation’.	7.00 pm Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Rosary, Procession, Mass <i>Portuguese Comm.</i>	6.00pm Vittorio CARDAMONE † (2nd Annv.) 7.00pm Spanish Mass	<i>Baptism Celebration for: Alessia CORSO Congratulations!</i>
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 12 th May 2024 Year “B” The ASCENSION of the LORD	“Andate in tutto il mondo e proclamate il vangelo ad ogni creatura.”	8:30am Antonio DE SANTIS 10:00am Feast of Our Lady of Fatima Rosary, Procession Mass <i>(Portuguese Comm)</i>	9.45am Maria ARMELLIN † Vittorio CARDAMONE † (2nd Annv.) 11.00am (Vedere elenco prossima pagina)	
Monday/Lunedí of the 7th week of Easter 13 th May 2024 Our Lady of Fatima	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth.</i>		9.15am Our Lady of Fatima 7.00pm Paul SABATINO † (1mth)	
Tuesday/Martedì of the 7th week of Easter 14 th May 2024 St. Matthias, apostle	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The Lord will give him a seat with the leaders of his people.</i>		9:15am St. Matthias	
Wednesday/Mercoledì of the 7th week of Easter 15 th May 2024	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth.</i>		9.15am 5.00pm Funeral Mass for Lorenzo Antonio SENAFICA 7.30pm Mass & Novena in Honour to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Filipino Chaplaincy)	
Thursday/Giovedì of the 7th week of Easter 16 th May 2024	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.</i>		9.15am	
Friday/Venerdì of the 7th week of Easter 17 th May 2024	<i>Responsorial Psalm</i> <i>The Lord has set his throne in heaven.</i>		9.15am	
CATHOLICCARE VICTORIA SUNDAY APPEAL The Appeal took place last weekend, unfortunately the response has been very poor. We know there are many appeals throughout the year, but we ask for your compassion and generosity, your donation however small will help the most vulnerable and marginalised in our community. You can donate using the appeal envelope available, or donate online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513. <i>All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible. THANK YOU!</i>				
18 th and 19 th May 2024	6pm Vigil St.Brigid	8.30am St.Mark	9.45am St. Brigid’s	11.00am St. Brigid
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	L. Eyles	G. Piantella	B. Koh	T. Toscano
II Reading	N. Raveche	G. Piantella	D. Dunlevie	G. Catena
Prayers of the Faithful	N. Raveche	G. Piantella	C. Smith	P. La Marca
Altar Servers			C.& C. Smith	Frank Sirianni
	The Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo - Scalabrinians - www.Scalabrini.org <i>Ministering to the Parish and Migrants in St. Brigid since 1959</i>			

Parish News...

Notizie di casa nostra...

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MOTHER’S DAY PRAYER
*Lord, Bless my Mother:
her silent sacrifices and her joys, her tears and her smiles,
her toils and her rest.
Keep her close to Your heart,
So that in following her example
I may love You in my journey through life. Amen.
Happy Mother’s Day*

PREGHIERA ALLA MAMMA
*Signore, benedici la mia mamma:i suoi sacrifici e le sue gioie, le sue lacrime e i suoi sorrisi, il suo sudore e il suo riposo. Tienila stretta, vicina al Tuo cuore, cosicché anch’io seguendo il suo esempio, possa amare Te nel cammino della vita. Amen.
Auguri a tutte le mamme.*

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION
Confirmation classes are held in the media room every Sunday at 10.30am with Sr. Guadalupe from the Missionaries of Charity. **Confirmations with Bishop Terence Curtin will take place on Sunday 14th July 2024 with ONE only MASS at 10.30am.** If you know anyone who wishes to be prepared for this sacrament, please ring the parish office or Sr. Guadalupe on 0405785710

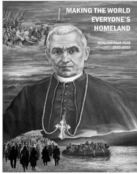
RCIA
(The Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults)
RCIA sessions will start in early September 2024. If you are interested or know someone who would like to join, please contact the Parish Office for registration.

The catechumens and candidates will receive the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist) on Easter Vigil 2025

First Holy Communion for Spanish Community will be celebrated on Sunday, 2nd June 2024 at 9:45am mass

The Combined Societies of Mary invite you to the FEAST OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS
Friday 7th June 2024 St. Joseph’s Church, 71 Orrong Rod Elsternwick.
7.00pm Adoration, Prayers, Holy Mass
All welcome!

11.00am MASS INTENTIONS
Vittorio CARDAMONE (2nd annv.)
Grazia CAPITO - Vincenza TRIGILA
Pina CARBONE - Mimma COSMA
Emilia e Maria BANDIERA
Domenica BELLISSIMO
Vincenza CARBONE
Ascenzina PETRUCCI
Nella GARRA - Erminia THEUMA
Giovannina MARINELLI
IRENE FERRANTE †
**All deceased mothers.
May they all rest in peace.**



Celebrating Scalabrini Day in June
You are invited to the Intercultural Mass and the Launching of Migrant Youth Mass
On Sunday 9 June 2024 10:30am
This is a combined Mass, all other mass times will be Cancelled (except vigil mass)

Novena to the Holy Spirit started on 10 May 2024 during masses

MASS TIMES CHANGE
The Vigil mass will be moved from **6pm to 5.30pm** in order to make an availability for other ethnic group mass.
Suggestions are as follows:
1st Saturday: *Open to any ethnic group*
2nd Saturday: English-Portuguese Mass
3rd Saturday : English mass
4th Saturday : *Open to any ethnic group*
5th Saturday : English mass or *open to any ethnic group*
This new schedules will be effective on the first weekend in June 2024

Online Giving: If anyone wishes to make a donation online to the parish, this is the link to [St. Brigid’s Parish North Fitzroy](https://melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=622453) or you can scan the bar code and it will take you straight to the link.
<https://melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=622453>



Parish Pastoral Plan 2024
WORKSHOP ON INTERCULTURALITY
First Session held on 20TH July 2024 for Leaders and designated volunteers only
Our parish is blessed with diversity of gifts of people, languages, cultures and traditions. We are an English, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Filipino, and Swahili speaking communities. We have been doing our best to be more intercultural than multicultural by having common parish activities where we encounter each other and organise events together. However, we want to go deeper than just seeing each other and tolerating each other’s differences. We want to deeply understand and embrace each other’s culture and tradition, which is a way to live out our parish vision to “**bear witness to a missionary discipleship.**”
For this reason, the Parish Pastoral Council organises the Workshop on Interculturality this year guided by Sr Cathy Solano RSM, an expert on the topic.
Parish Vision and Mission
Inspired by the Holy Scriptures and Tradition, we, the intercultural Parish Community of St Brigid’s and St Mark’s, are called to bear witness to a missionary discipleship by remembering our history, honouring diversity, creating a safe and hospitable place, and celebrating communion.

St. Brigid & St. Mark Collection
1st Collection \$ 540 - 00
2nd Collection \$ 400 - 00
Envelopes \$ 93 - 00



PRAY THE WORLD MISSION ROSARY
Join the Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the Rosary. Monday to Friday Time: 2.00pm Melbourne time
*Join Zoom Meeting:
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