



St Brigidi's Parish Catholic Church

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Parish Priest: Fr Kingsley Etoh - 02 6746 1133
Secretary: Ms Bern Press - Mon & Tues 9.00 - 11.00am
Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm

1 May 2022 - Third Sunday of Easter

The Sacred Liturgy

Weekday Masses:

Monday 8.15am - Quirindi
Tuesday 9.30am - Quirindi
Wednesday 9.30am - Werris Creek
Thursday 9.30am - Werris Creek
Friday 9.30am - Quirindi

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 5.00pm - Quirindi - no mass
6.30pm - Werris Creek
Sunday: 8.00am - Willow Tree
9.30am - Quirindi

Carona: No Mass In April

Baptism: At any Sunday at 11.00am, arrangement to be made with the Parish Secretary. A Baptism preparation seminar is held every 1st Saturday of the Month at 10.00am at the Presbytery Meeting Room.

Reconciliation: After 9.30am Mass Friday. This Saturday only 4.15pm to 4.45pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday of the Month after mass with Benediction at 12 noon.

Rosary is said 30 minutes before the Mass during weekdays along with prayers to Our Lady of La Salette

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: Roy Carpenter; Jennifer Bonsey *(Anne Estlin's Swg)*; Joan Henry; John Lindeman;

Deceased:

Anniversary: James Meredith; Lucy Moran & Jim Moran; Max Callaghan; Alex Bradley; Stuart Moore; Claude Perry; Philip Robertson; Richard Burraston; Lyle Press; James Neylon; Gladys Bannigan; Catherine Sewil; Melly Sweep; Samuel Elliott; Barry Hird; Leonard Conroy; Beate Weiland; Marie Perry; George Bonnett; Alice Flasyh; Petronella Vereyken; Kevin Conroy; Robert Robertson; Doug Pley; Bob Robertson; Robert Klent; Johannes Vereyken; Graham Porter; Sr. Marie Aquinas Wickhamara; Shirley McCulloch; Anne Gosman; Sybil Neylon; Bernard Perkins; Kathleen Lowe; Ann Virey; James Lamson & Relatives; Stella Neimes; Betty Cosjigan; Norman Mason

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest In Peace. Amen.

And for those who are ill: Maureen Irvine; Chris George; Theo Gleeson; Jenny McGinniskin; David Henry; Pat Reddy; Dawn & Colin Graham; Brian Lobley; Noel Leech; Mary Smith; Ray Lamb of Gunnedah; Billy Godden; Gail Martin; Wendy Brown; Sue Thomson; Lisa Brown; Clare Crane; Bill Gleeson; Lucy Giffi; Joan Greenacre; David Bonsey *(Anne Estlin's Brother in Law)*; all the members of the Parish who are ill.

Other Intentions:

Roster

7/5/2022 R: B McNamara
8/5/2022 R: M & J Eislely
C: D Ryan & T Vereyken

Flower/Altar Roster for May A Ward & C Burraston

Coming Events

Sat 30 **No Mass at St Brigidi's** due to Father Kingsley having prior commitments
Sat 30 Mass at Werris Creek at 6.30pm
Fri 6 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction at 12.00noon
Thurs 12 CWL Meeting in the Parish Hall at 10.30am
Sat 14 An Ecumenical Day of Quiet Contemplation St Pauls Church hall Murrurundi 10.00am to 2.30pm contact mandywhatron@yahoo.com 0401 373 481

World Day of Prayer for Vocations Sunday 8th May 2022

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations - and teaching young people how to discern God's call - is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage young people in your life - children, grandchildren, students, and friends - to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

May 8 is also Mother's Day

"Every vocation to the priesthood comes from the heart of God, but it passes through the heart of a mother" (St Plus X)

We ask the risen Jesus, who turns death into life, to change hatred into love, vengeance into forgiveness, war into peace.
- Pope Francis 7



St Joseph's School will be having a Mother's Day Mass Friday 6th May 2022 at St Brigidi's, you are all invited to attend, especially our Mothers.

Pope Francis: Prayer to Mary during the Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross look part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Patroness of our Diocese of Armidale, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Prayer For Peace & Justice in Ukraine

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you. Protect them in this time of peril; let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom. You are Father of all, we are brothers and sisters. Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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First Collection \$245.55
Easter Dues \$705.00

Breaking Open the Word

THE SAVING WORD

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER / C

1 MAY 2022

like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No,' he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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THE CALL TO NEW LIFE

If the story of Israel and the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus teach us anything, it is that God always seeks us out in our weakness. God's unfailing love and mercy enable us to begin anew, to start again, to dare to believe that we too might come to share in the peace and joy of the resurrection.

In the first reading from Acts, the Jewish authorities are unsettled and disconcerted by the ministry of the apostles and their message. In their fear and rage, they seek to stop them. While they focus on the fact that they are being held responsible for the death of Jesus they fail to hear that they are being called to a new beginning through repentance by changing their minds about Jesus' identity and mission. Despite Jesus' brutal death, forgiveness of sins is possible, a door is open for them if they can take hold of the opportunity. Unfortunately, their fear blinds them and their response is a misguided attempt to discipline and control the apostles and their ministry.

In the Gospel, Peter, who knew the reality of failure and weakness in his life, does not make the same mistake. When he recognises the Lord, he seizes the opportunity. He may have denied Jesus before his death but he will not make the same mistake again. The three questions of the risen Lord painfully call him to come to acknowledge his three denials. Jesus accepts what he can give and calls him to accept a new responsibility for the flock; a new chapter in his life is about to begin.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

Acts 5:27-32, 40-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit.

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men: it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour; to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 29:2,4-6,11-13 R.v.2

R. I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me. (or Alleluia!)

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. / O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, / restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. **R.**

2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. / His anger lasts but a moment, his favour through life. / At night there are tears, / but joy comes with dawn. **R.**

3. The Lord listened and had pity. / The Lord came to my help. / For me you have changed my mourning into dancing. / O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. **R.**



SECOND READING

Apoc 5:11-14

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse
The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory, and blessing.

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders: there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation;
he has shown pity on all people.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Jn 21:1-14 (longer form: Jn 21:1-19)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened