



# St Brigid's Parish Catholic Church

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Parish Priest:	Fr Vic Ignacio MS -	02 6746 1133
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	<b>Mon &amp; Tues 9.00 - 11.00am</b>	
	<b>Friday 9:00am - 12:00pm</b>	

## 6TH September 2020 - 23RD Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

#### Recently Deceased:

**Deceased:** Matey O'Donnell

**Anniversary:** Ron Barwick; Dorothy & Harold Mann; Jack Tinson; Marj Thomson; Beryl Meredith; Sheila McNamara; Anthony T O'Donnell; Ena O'Donnell; Patricia Mason; Joe Gigli; Bill Norman Jnr; Bill Norman Snr; Ron O'Dwyer; Dominic Bowen; Eric Robinson; Lorna Matheson; Alan Reading Snr; Helen Hird; Anne Gee; Elouise Harrison; Bernie Howard; Clare Perkins; Tiny Stockdale; Margaret Heath; Sue Schumaker; John Egan; Eleanor Heyman; Maureen Pengilley; Roy Smith; Cas Reading;

**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:

Les Ward, David Seiler; Rita Looney; Bobbie Paton; Fr John Willis; Fr John McHugh; Clare Crane; Bill Gleeson; Billy Godden; Ros Turton; Gavin Sewell; Ian Gallagher; Fiona Nolan; Gail Martin; Wendy Brown; Sue Thomson; Lucy Gigli; Father Pat O'Neill; Tom Sanderson; Colleen Hyatt; Michael McCormick; Dan O'Donnell; Marie Dalton; Jack Dunn; Colin Gallagher; Andrew McManus; Ivy Taylor; Joan Greentree; Rosalynn Chan; **and all the members of the Parish who are ill.**

#### Other Intentions:

#### Roster

12/09/2020R: B Press  
EM:  
G:

13/09/2020R: D Ryan  
EM:  
G:  
C: D Ryan & T Vereyken

### The Sacred Liturgy

**Quirindi:** Vigil Mass 5.00pm  
Sunday 9.30am

**Werris Creek:** Vigil Mass Saturday 6.30pm

**Willow Tree:** Mass at Willow Tree 8.00am

**Confessions:** Saturday 4.15pm to 4.45pm and after each Mass except Saturday night

#### Weekday Mass Times:

**St Brigid's:** Monday, Tuesday, Friday & Saturday at 9.30am.

**Werris Creek:** Wednesday & Thursday at 9.30am.

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction:

Baptisms by arrangement with Parish Priest - any Sunday at 11.30am

Rosary is said prior to Mass only when there is no Benediction

No Anointing on the 3rd Sunday of the Month during Mass

### Coming Events

- Chrism Mass - Monday 14th September with Mass at 5.00pm, the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- Clergy Assembly - 14th, 15th and 16th September. No Parish Mass
- Feast of Our Lady of La Salette - 19th September - 9:30am Adoration & Mass followed by Morning Tea
- Peter's Pence Collection - 27th Sunday of Ordinary Time, 4th October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi

### Coronavirus

#### The following must be observed at all Masses:

1. Please sign-in on the log-sheets every time you enter the church.
2. Sanitise your hands, observe physical distancing and sit on allocated seats
3. **No congregational singing, only Father to sing;** no Sign of Peace.
4. Printed bulletins are for single use only and must not be reused by other people
5. One single line during Holy Communion.

### Memorare

Remember, Our Lady of La Salette, true Mother of Sorrows, the tears you shed for me on Calvary. Remember also the care you have always taken to keep me faithful to Christ your Son. After having done so much for your child, you will not now abandon me. Inspired by this consoling thought, I come to cast myself at your feet in spite of my infidelities and ingratitude. Do not reject my prayer, O merciful Virgin, but intercede for my conversion, obtain for me the grace to love Jesus above all things, and to console you by a holy life, that I may one day see you in heaven.  
Amen.

Our Lady of La Salette reconciler of Sinners  
Pray without ceasing for us who have recourse to thee.

### Saints to Remember

**The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary -  
Feast - 8TH September**

This weekend we welcome Lyla Rose Davidson into our Christian Community and Baptised into the Mystery of Christ and his Church. Please pray for Lylah's parents Garry Davidson & Cassandra Vella and her Godparents.



### HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Loving God,  
shine Your light and grace upon fathers and all father figures in our lives.  
St. Joseph the husband of Mary and foster father of Jesus we ask your blessings upon them.  
Amen

**RAFFLE:** The Parish raffle went into recession when Covid 19 changed a lot of things for us, however, there is still a \$30 IGA voucher to be won. The draw for this will be after Mass on Sunday 20 September. Tickets will still be available from this weekend. Would you write you own ticket and place your money into the container provided, as this is the best way to manage it for the final draw of the last raffle for a while. Good luck.

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.

**23/8/2020 Planned Giving \$297.20 + \$50.00 = \$347.20**  
**29/8/2020 Planned Giving \$309.00 + \$50.00 = \$359.00**

**First Collection \$303.70**  
**First Collection \$432.20**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

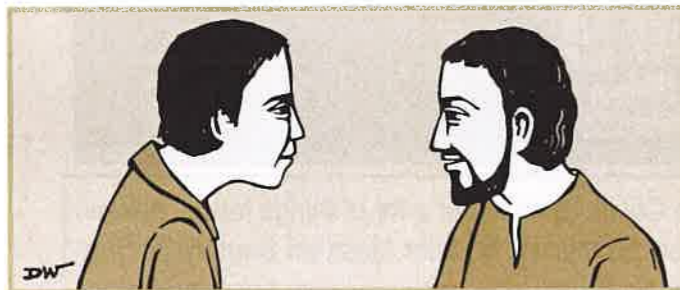
*If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

#### ■ The Gospel of the Lord.



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# Reflections on the Gospel



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

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### WINNING PEOPLE BACK

The Church is not a community of the perfect. Allowance has to be made for dealing with moral lapses and dissensions that inevitably occur in a community still on the way to the Kingdom.

In today's Gospel the procedure Jesus lays down for dealing with conflict reveals his sense of the Church as the *family* of God. Correction should as far as possible be carried out in private. Only if that proves unsuccessful should a carefully staged progression of increasingly public procedures be set in place. The goal is not simply to win, but rather to 'win back' the 'brother or sister', to preserve as far as possible the dignity of the errant person, and to enhance everyone's sense of being a valued member of the 'family'.

If, despite all, the process fails, there is nothing to be done but to treat the person as an outsider. There comes a point beyond which a community can no longer tolerate members who consistently defy its core values.

To set someone outside the community is no light matter. The Church needs to know that its decisions in this regard enjoy heavenly sanction. Hence Jesus' assurance that the 'binding and loosing' authority conferred personally upon Peter in regard to interpretations of the law (Matthew 16:19), is also enjoyed by the local community with respect to the exclusion or non-exclusion of errant members. As risen Lord, Jesus remains 'Emmanuel', 'God with us', in community life and deliberation (see Matthew 1:23).

The Church's canon law and way of proceeding has developed way beyond this simple instruction. But its fundamental spirit should remain.

**Brendan Byrne, SJ**

### FIRST READING

Ezek 33:7-9

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

*If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death.*

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

#### ■ The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 94:1-2, 6-9. R. v. 8

**R. O that today you would listen to his voice!**

**Harden not your hearts.**

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; / hail the rock who saves us. / Let us come before him, giving thanks, / with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; / let us kneel before the God who made us / for he is our God and we / the people who belong to his pasture, / the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

3. O that today you would listen to his voice! / 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, / as on that day at Massah in the desert / when your fathers put me to the test; / when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R.**



### SECOND READING

Rom 13:8-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

*Love is the fulfilment of the Law.*

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

#### ■ The word of the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

2 Cor 5:19

**Alleluia, alleluia! / God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; / and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. / Alleluia!**