



Our Parish Vision Statement

St Brigid's will be a community that actively lives the Good News of Christ. We strive to be Christ centred, welcoming to all and to encourage everyone to grow spiritually.

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Mark 6:7-13

He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff - no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**



REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

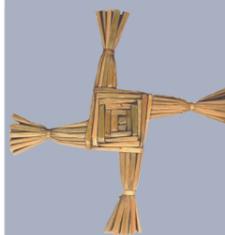
As St Paul would have put it in terms of modern science, before the cosmos was big-banged into existence, before human creatures evolved over the aeons, before you were loved into existence through your parents, *God conceived of you*, 'God chose you in Christ'.

The universe was erupted into existence by Divine Ecstasy so that creatures might be drawn to evolve into human beings so that you, personally, might enjoy a wonderful destiny.

That destiny is to be an ensouled body totally transfigured by Divine Light, made radiant by Divine Energy, living through love in God's presence.

That is the Big Picture, the 'Very Big Picture'. Grasp that, or rather be grasped by that, and it will enable you to do things you would otherwise not risk doing. One way could be that portrayed in today's Gospel. Jesus could say to his missionary followers: "take no purse, no haversack" because they had an interior freedom from anxiety about the future, a freedom generated from knowing that they had been divinely loved even before time began.

You might take a moment to pray for the courage to make a generous response to the truth spoken directly to you by St Paul. 'Before the world was made, He chose you, chose you in Christ.'



Catholic Parish of Dubbo
Est. 1865

St Brigid's



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

11TH JULY 2021

Year of Saint Joseph (8 December 2020 – 8 December 2021)

The Missionary Church

'Go, tell my people,' is the command we have been given by God. And the message is the most stupendous one imaginable: that God has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings from heaven in Christ.

First Reading

From the book of Amos 7:12-15
Go, prophesy to my people.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 84:9-14. R/v.8
R Lord, show us your mercy and love, And grant us your salvation.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. **R.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven **R.**

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. **R.**

Second Reading

From the second letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 1:3-14
Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight.

He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came.

Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it: and you have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

 we acknowledge the original owners of this land and pay respects to the elders past and present and all deceased members of the Wiradjuri people.

PARISH STAFF

- Fr Greg Kennedy **Parish Priest**
- Fr Mathew Humtsoe **Assistant Priest**
- Fr Martin O'Mahony **Pastor Emeritus**
- Mrs Rhonda Gleeson **Director of Music**
- Mrs Judy Clark **Parish Secretary**
- Mrs Tricia Tomlins **Assistant Secretary**
- Geoff & Bridget Mann **RCIA**
- Mrs Leisa Galea **Baptism Coordinator**
- Mrs Rosalie Hosking **Sacraments Coordinator**
- Bella Tipping **Altar Server Co-Ordinator**
- Laurence Clark **Property Manager**

CHURCHES

- St Brigid's**
200 Brisbane St
- St Laurence's**
70 Tamworth St
- Our Lady of Lourdes**
Federation St, Ballimore

PARISH OFFICE
Open Monday to Friday
9.00am-1.00pm
2.00pm-4.30pm

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LAUNCHING NATIONALLY ON 31ST JULY 2021
Gather together as a diocesan group on this day with your Bishop
OR plan to meet over a number of weeks or months
www.catholicmensgathering.com.au

Brothers, what must we do? 2021

A GATHERING OF MEN CALLED BY THE AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS.

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This Week Day by Day

- Monday 12th July**
7.00am Mass - St Brigid's
12.00pm Mass - St Laurence's
- Tuesday 13th July**
12.00pm - St Laurence's
5.00pm Meditation
5.45pm Mass - St Brigid's
- Wednesday 14th July**
9.30am Mass - St Laurence's
10.30am Craft Group
1.00pm Rosary Makers Meeting M/R1
- Thursday 15th July**
St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor
12.00pm Mass - St Laurence's
5.45pm Mass - St Brigid's
- Friday 16th July**
7.00am Mass - St Brigid's
12.00pm Mass - St Laurence's
- Saturday 17th July**
9.00am Reconciliation - St Brigid's
9.30am Mass - St Brigid's
5.00pm Vigil - St Brigid's
- Sunday 18th July**
7.30am Mass - St Laurence's
9.00am Mass - St Brigid's
5.00pm Mass - St Brigid's

Reconciliation

9.00 - 9.20am Sat. St Brigid's
4.00 - 4.20pm Sat. St Brigid's

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

SATURDAY
Vigil 5.00pm St Brigid's

SUNDAY
7.30am St Laurence's Church
9.00am St Brigid's Church
5.00pm St Brigid's Church

NURSING HOME MASSES

DUE TO COVID Nursing Home masses are restricted to residents only at this stage.

- Orana Gardens** 2nd Tuesday 9.30am
Bracken House 3rd Tuesday 9.30am
Masonic Village 3rd Tuesday 11.00am
Kintyre Lodge 1st Wednesday 11.00am
Holy Spirit 3rd Wednesday 11.00am
VC Gardens 4th Wednesday 10.30am
St Mary's Villa 2nd Thursday 9.30am
Opal Nursing Home 3rd Thursday 11.00am

HARD OF HEARING?

St Brigid's Church hearing loop can be accessed by using the T-switch on your hearing aid.

Parish Notices



HOME ROSARY

Please note that the Home Rosary is on hold until further notice.

If you would like to be included on the roster for Home Rosary please contact Audrey O'Brien on 0419 123 274

The Rosary is lived Streamed on Thursday evenings on <https://www.stbrigidsdubbo.com>

The Rosary is prayed prior to mass at 7am or 5.45pm.

PLenary COUNCIL AGENDA



Plenary Council Agenda
The Council will seek to address questions centred on prayer and formation:

Prayer

- How might we become a more contemplative people, committing more deeply to prayer as a way of life, and celebrating the liturgy of the Church as an encounter with Christ who sends us out to "make disciples of all the nations"?
- How might we better embrace the diverse liturgical traditions of the Churches which make up the Catholic Church and the cultural gifts of immigrant communities to enrich the spirituality and worship of the Church in Australia?

Formation

- How might we better form leaders for mission – adults, children and families, couples and single people?
- How might we better equip ordained ministers to be enablers of missionary discipleship: the Church becoming more a "priestly people" served by the ordained ministry?
- How might formation, both pre- and postordination, better foster the development of bishops, priests and deacons as enablers of the universal Christian vocation to holiness lived in missionary discipleship?



St Vincent de Paul

This years Winter Vinnies Appeal will provide emergency relief to people at risk and experiencing homelessness. Your donation will help our Vinnies volunteers to rebuild lives.

Please open your hearts and give generously next weekend (17th & 18th July)



Choir Practice:

There will be **no Choir Practice** until COVID restrictions have been lifted.



ALPHA GROUP

No further meeting until COVID restrictions have been lifted



We celebrate SOCIAL JUSTICE Sunday on the 29th August.

The Australian Bishop's Social Justice Statement, *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*, invites us to join in responding to Pope Francis' invitation to take a seven-year journey towards total ecological sustainability guided by seven Laudato Si' Goals. The Statement provides theological foundations to ground and inspire our efforts to care for creation while responding to the needs of the disadvantaged and excluded. More information: ACBC Office of Justice, Ecology and Peace. www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or Tel (02) 6201 9845



Catholic Diocese of Bathurst

Bread Come Down from Heaven Faith Series

An exciting new opportunity for developing our faith.

A five week program focussing on the Bread of Life discourse in the Gospel of John.

Beginning in the week commencing 18th July.

Each week the group meets for 1 hour either in a parish room or anywhere a video can be played via youtube.

Each group will have a facilitator who will have a guideline booklet and notes. Each week has a different presenter on youtube (including Fr Greg one week!) and a message from the Bishop at the end.

It's a very simple format of prayer and reflection on the scripture for the next Sunday and some simple questions to share faith.

SIGN UP TODAY

In the foyer or contact the parish office.

Nominate a day or time that suits and if you prefer the meeting rooms or can offer your home.

Please consider being a facilitator.

AS A PARISH WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED

Aileen STEWART
Mary MAMO
Leonard GOODWIN
Mel LETFALLAH
Michael CARRIGAN (Boggabri),

ANNIVERSARY

Frederick Charles CHAMBERS
Tony BLIZZARD, Donna SHEIL,
Tom KELLY, Jean SIMMONS,
Steven MEADOWS



Masses to be offered for:

Ken Wheelhouse, Ross Tomlins, Ernesto Oseda, Cipriano Poblete, Jo Cheetham, Rosemary Doherty, Marcello Pavan, Special Intentions, Don Egan, Greg Tratt, Paul, Prayers for healing & recovery, Phillip, Shirley Kennedy (ill), Val & Shirley Egan, Karen Van Denhoven, Terry & Jim Fahy, Francesco & Bibiana Lappa, Arturo & Angela Marinucci, Ida Mathes, Tim Meehan, Ray Meehan, Maureen Nolan, Bill O'Neill, Judy Prentice, Tom & Joan Slattery, Lappa family, Dec'd members of McMillan, Munro & Olsen families, Madden, Duggan & Honeysett families, Dec'd members of the Marinucci family.

Those who are sick:

Eileen Atkinson (Ireland), Helen Barter, Philippa Beguin, Isabella Betts, Kath Bourke (Cain), Brett Cooper, Yvonne Coutis, Joan Cowley, Bonita Craig, Molly Croft, Irene Crowe, Vivienne Dandridge, John Deane, Michael Deane, Vivien Deane, David Egan, Marcia Fahy, Josh Farr, Marlene Galea, Joe Gough, Mary Grimmsdell, anne Hall, Denise Hills, Heather Irwin, Brooke Kaluzyn (ill), Bernice King (Fr Carl Mackander's sister), Leeca Laws, Colleen Moffitt, Shannon Nairn, Pat Nitschki, Annette Page (Orange), Philomena Parker, Lisa Peaker, Dave Redfern, Tania Rovere, Michael Simmons, Jim Sloane, Najette Sorfie, Brendan Stanford, Nathan Stanmore,

Lord, may your peace come upon people across our world who are struggling in our present crisis. May the hope of resurrection sustain and comfort us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

HOLIDAYS



Fr. Greg is on holidays—and we wish him a very restful and enjoyable break away.