



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 REFLECTION

From Fr Greg

St Augustine wrote about the Eucharist: 'You see on God's altar bread and a cup. That is what the evidence of your eyes tells you, but your faith requires you to believe that the bread is the body of Christ, the cup the blood of Christ.....Faith, however, seeks understanding;

If you want to know what the body of Christ is, you must listen to what the Apostles tell the faithful: Now you are the body of Christ, and individually you are members of it.

If that is so, **it is the sacrament of yourselves that is placed on the Lord's altar, and it is the sacrament of yourselves that you receive.** You reply "Amen" to what you are, and thereby agree that such you are. You hear the words "The body of Christ" and you reply "Amen." Be, then, a member of Christ's body, so that your "Amen" may accord with the truth.....

Be, then, what you see, and receive what you are.'

Over the years I have found this the most amazing exposition of what Eucharist is. So, eucharist is not just receiving communion, not just attending mass – it is about being that Eucharist in our everyday lives.

In these days when many of us have been separated from mass and unable to receive communion WE ARE STILL THE BODY OF CHRIST. Yes, we hunger to receive, we thirst to be together, but we are still "called into being" by Christ who is in us. As we struggle on in this journey we can strengthen each other by our care and prayer. We must serve the poor, heal the sick, comfort the sorrowful, and stand up for justice in whatever ways we can. That is being a member of the Body of Christ, that is Eucharist.

CARELINE

The Diocese and Parish acknowledge that, as a community, we are facing an unprecedented challenge in the wake of COVID-19. Bishop Michael McKenna asks us to care for our neighbours in this challenging time, as we have that responsibility now more than ever.

We understand that vulnerable people, especially the elderly members of our community, need our attention and care at this time. In response to this need, the **Careline** program has been established.

Managed by Centacare, Careline is a practical program that aims to connect people who may need a hand with a support network made up of people who can help. It may be as simple as picking up some groceries or a prescription for someone who is housebound, or it may be that the person needs assistance to connect with other agencies such as St Vincent de Paul.

If you know someone who is elderly or in a vulnerable position, who may live alone, those who are self-isolated without any support, or anyone who may just need a chat, or if you are in this position yourself, please contact Careline and reach out for help.

To contact Careline, phone 1800 231 118 weekdays between 9am -5pm or email care@centacarebathurst.com.au or visit www.bathurst.catholic.org.au

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

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Fr Francis Muhenda **Assistant Priest**
Fr Martin O'Mahony **Pastor Emeritus**
Fr. Antony Vattakkunnel CMI **Assistant Priest**
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Mrs Tricia Tomlins **Assistant Secretary**
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Mrs Rosalie Hosking **Sacraments Coordinator**
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CHURCHES

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PARISH OFFICE

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St Brigid's



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST - YEAR A - 14TH JUNE, 2020

From the Deuteronomy 8:2-3. 14-16

He gave you food which you and your ancestors did not know.

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

R: Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!
Zion, praise your God!
He has strengthened the bars of your gates, he has blessed the children within you.

R: Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

He has established peace on your borders, he feeds you with finest wheat. He sends out his word to the earth and swiftly runs his command.

R: Praise the Lord Jerusalem.

He makes his work known to Jacob, to Israel his laws and decrees. He has not dealt thus with other nations; he has not taught them his decrees.

R: Praise the Lord Jerusalem.

Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 10:16-17
Though we are many, we form a single body because we share this one loaf.

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

From the Gospel According to John 6:51-58

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another:

'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'



Readings for next week: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A
Jeremiah 20:10-13 Romans 5:12-15 Matthew 5:12-15
Find the daily readings online: <http://universalis.com>

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This Week Day by Day

With the easing of COVID-19 restrictions we will now be able to offer an opportunity to celebrate mass.

Fifty people may attend any mass. Please be conscious that we cannot cater for everyone. We may be able to increase these opportunities as things develop.

For this coming week Masses will be:

Monday 15th June
7.00am Mass - St Brigid's

Tuesday 16th June
5.45pm Mass—St Brigid's

Wednesday 17th June
9.30am Mass—St Laurence's

Thursday 18th June
5.45pm Mass - St Brigid's

Friday 19th June
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
7.00am Mass - St Brigid's

Saturday 20th June
9.30am Mass - St Brigid's

Reconciliation
9.00am - 9.30am - St Brigid's

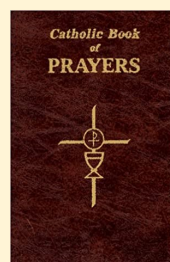
Sunday 21st June

9.00AM Mass by Streaming

PRIVATE PRAYER in St Brigid's

The **Blessed Sacrament Chapel in St Brigid's** will be open Monday to Friday from 9am to 3pm. Only fifty people will be able to access it at a time.

Hand sanitizer must be used on the way in and your seat sprayed with Glen-20 after use. The Chapel will be monitored from the Parish office via CCTV.



HOME ROSARY



Monday 15th June to Friday 19th June,
at the home of Merle Wall,
33 Opal Street, Dubbo, commencing at 4pm.
All are most welcome.

If you would like to be included on the roster contact
Audrey O'Brien 0419 123 274.



The Swag
Quarterly Magazine of the
National Council of Priests of Australia

The winter edition of The Swag is
available online for copies
theswag.org.au
Or contact the Parish Office for a
PDF copy.

The St Vincent de Paul Society is calling for donations to the Vinnies COVID-19 Winter Appeal, helping people doing it tough in our communities due to coronavirus.

Every dollar you donate will help people to feed their families, put petrol in the car and keep warm during winter—more important than ever during the current health crisis.

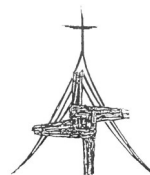
Please visit www.vinnies.org.au, call 131812 or 1800 047 100 to make a contribution.
Thank you for your kindness.

Ian Wray
President
St Brigid's
Conference Dubbo



MASS ROSTERS

The NSW Government has relaxed numbers for Church attendance and we are looking forward to when we can all be together again at our normal masses, and in readiness, we are putting together the Rosters for **Commentators, Lectors, Eucharist Ministers, Welcomers and Data Operators.**



Last Week the appeal for ministers to join the rosters was made and we find that **Eucharist Ministers** are short on numbers. If you are at all interested in joining this very special ministry, please contact the Parish Office on 6882 4233

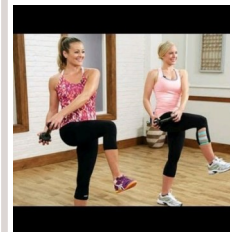
PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be open
Monday - Friday, 9am - 4pm
Office closed for lunch from 1-2pm



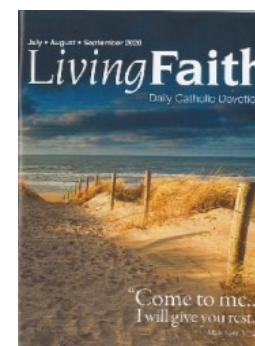
To celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the opening of Our Church.

We have FOR SALE
St Brigid's Cross Lapel Pins @ \$5.00 each.
Available at the Parish Office.



ST BRIGID'S MONDAY EXERCISE GROUP

Will be resuming after the Winter months.



LIVING FAITH PUBLICATION

IS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AND COLLECTION
Cost \$5.00

Dubbo Men's Shed

Is desperately in need of used working Computers to send to the children in the Philippines

Please contact Geoff Higgins on 6882 0521 if you can assist in any way.



All our schools are currently accepting enrolments for 2021.

If you know of any family that has a child ready for school please inform them that forms can be handed in now.

Interviews may be delayed till later this term or next due to COVID - 19.

AS A PARISH WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS FOR:



RECENTLY BAPTISED
Constance Lillian HAYLOCK

RECENTLY DECEASED
Eva Madden,
Sr Kathleen Ewin RSM (Bathurst)



ANNIVERSARIES
Noel Murphy,
Margaret Humphrey (Orange),
John O'Brien (Ireland),
Laurie Mullins,
Kathleen Andrew, Olga Connelly

Masses to be offered for:

Michael Antrobus (ill), Deceased Members of the Dunne, Gough and Heron Families, Forgotten Souls in Purgatory, Ken Wheelhouse, Ken Eggleton, Iris Hodder, Don Egan, Dianne Jew, Modesto C Alviola, Wendy Baker, Karen Van Denhoven, Terry & Jim Fahy, Anastacia Iluisma, Francesco & Bibiana Lappa, William Latta, Alwyn McMillan, Arturo & Angela Marinucci, Ida Mathes, Tim Meehan, Ray Meehan, Grace Mirafuentes, Teotimo Mirafuentes, Eleuterio & Narcisa Ngujo, Maureen Nolan, Bill O'Neill, Judy Prentice, Colin Shibble, Tom & Joan Slattery, Ivan Solomon, Terry Tancred, Dennis Taylor, Zita & Allan Tipping, Greg Tratt, Amelia & Alfred Walsh, Anthony Wilson, Roland & Eileen Wilson, Gerard Yeo. Carolan, Dwyer & Donnelly families, 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:

Moya Armstrong, Michael Antrobus, Martin Coleman, Joan Cowley, Molly Croft, Bernard Davis, Jeffrey Davis, John Deane, Michael Deane, Vivien Deane, Rosemary Doherty, Marcia Fahy, Josh Farr, Dean Hallford, Denise Hills, Bernice King (Fr Carl Mackander's sister), Annette Page (Orange), Lisa Peaker, Dave Redfern, Michael Simmons, Brendan Stanford, Nathan Stanmore, Tom Sullivan, Emma Whiteley (Wagga)