

A reading from the prophet Isaiah 55: 1-3

Hasten and eat.
Thus says the Lord:
Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty;
though you have no money, come!
Buy corn without money, and eat,
and, at no cost, wine and milk.
Why spend money on what is not bread,
your wages on what fails to satisfy?
Listen, listen to me and you will have good things to eat
and rich food to enjoy.
Pay attention, come to me;
listen, and your soul will live.
With you I will make an everlasting covenant
out of the favours promised to David.
The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*The hand of the Lord feeds us,
he answers all our needs.*

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

The eyes of all creatures look to you
and you give them their food in due time.
You open wide your hand,
grant the desires of all who live. **R.**

The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
call on him from their hearts. **R.**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
8: 35, 37-39

*No creature can separate us from the love of God, which is
in Christ.*

Nothing can come between us and the love of Christ, even if we are troubled or
worried, or being persecuted, or lacking food or clothes, or being threatened or
even attacked. These are the trials through which we triumph, by the power of
him who loved us.
For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no angel, no prince, nothing that
exists, nothing still to come, not any power, or height or depth, nor any created
thing, can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ
Jesus our Lord. **The word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation:

*Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 14: 13-21

They all ate and were satisfied.
When Jesus received the news of John the Baptist’s death he withdrew by
boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But the people
heard of this and, leaving the towns, went after him on foot. So as he
stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them and healed
their sick.
When evening came, the disciples went to him and said, ‘This is a lonely
place, and the time has slipped by; so send the people away, and they can
go to the villages to buy themselves some food.’ Jesus replied, ‘There is no
need for them to go: give them something to eat yourselves.’ But they
answered, ‘All we have with us is five loaves and two fish.’ ‘Bring them here
to me,’ he said. He gave orders that the people were to sit down on the
grass; then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to
heaven and said the blessing. And breaking the loaves he handed them to
his disciples who gave them to the crowds. They all ate as much as they
wanted, and they collected the scraps remaining, twelve baskets full. Those
who ate numbered about five thousand men, to say nothing of women and
children. **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Communion Antiphon :

*I am the bread of life, says the Lord; whoever comes to me will not hunger
and whoever believes in me will not thirst.*

Entrata: <u>TI ESALTO, DIO, MIO RE</u> <i>Ti esalto, Dio, mio re, Canterò in eterno a te: Io voglio lodarti, Signor, E benedirti. Alleluia!</i> Il Signore é degno d’ogni lode, Non si puo misurar la sua grandezza Ogni vivente proclama la sua gloria, La sua opera é giustizia e verità. Rit. Il Signore é paziente e pietoso, Lento all’ira e ricco di grazia, Tenerezza ha per ogni creatura, Il Signore é buono verso tutti. Rit. Il Signore sostiene chi vacilla E rialza chiunque é caduto. Gli occhi di tutti ricercano il suo volto, La sua mano provvede loro il cibo. Rit.	Offertorio: A TE NOSTRO PADRE <i>A te, nostro Padre e nostro Signor, pane e vino oggi noi t’offriam sull’altar.</i> Grano, diverrai vivo Pane del cielo Cibo per nutrire l’anima fedel. Rit. Vino, diverrai vivo Sangue di Crist fonte che disseta l’arsura del cuor. Rit. Salga fino a te ed a te sia gradita l’ostia che t’offriamo in tutta umiltà. Rit.	Comunione: QUANTA SETE Quanta sete nel mio cuore: solo in Dio si spegnerà. Quanta attesa di salvezza: solo in Dio si sazierà. L’acqua viva che egli dà Sempre fresca sgorgherà. <i>Il Signore è la mia vita, il Signore è la mia gioia.</i> Se la strada si fa oscura Spero in lui: mi guiderà. Se l’angoscia mi tormenta, spero in lui : mi salverà. Non si scorda mai di me, presto a me riapparirà. Rit. Nel mattino io ti invoco: tu, mio Dio, risponderai. Nella sera rendo grazie: tu, mio Dio, ascolterai. Al tuo monte salirò E vicino ti vedrò . Rit.	Fine: MIRA IL TUO POPOLO Mira il tuo popolo, o bella Signora, che pien di giubilo oggi t’onora. che pien di giubilo oggi t’onora. Anchio festevole corro ai tuoi pie’. <i>O Santa Vergine, prega per me; O Santa Vergine, prega per me.</i> Il pietosissimo tuo dolce cuore Porta e rifugio del peccatore. Porta e rifugio del peccatore. Tesori e grazie racchiude in sè. <i>O Santa Vergine, prega per me; O Santa Vergine, prega per me.</i> In questa misera valle infelice, tutti t’invocano: Soccorritrice. tutti t’invocano: Soccorritrice. Questo bel titolo conviene a te. <i>O Santa Vergine, prega per me; O Santa Vergine, prega per me.</i>
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Weekly Parish Newsletter

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St Brigid’s Fitzroy North
WEEKDAY MASSES (in Chapel)
Monday-Friday 9:15am
WEEKEEND MASS TIMES
Saturday Vigil 5:30pm English
7:00pm Spanish
Mass in Swahili 3rd Sunday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:45am English
11:00am Italian
Mass in Portuguese (Brazilian Comm.)
Last Sunday 5:00pm

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
Every Friday at 8.30am in the chapel
Adoration 2nd Saturday 4:30pm followed by
5:30pm Mass

Faith Formation
1st Monday 9:45am
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena
1st – 2nd – 3rd Wednesday 7:30pm
Sacred Heart Devotion
Mass in Spanish: 1st Friday 7:00pm
CCR (Emmaus & Maranatha Prayer Groups)
Monday 7.30pm & Saturday 9.30am
in old convent
St Brigid’s Food Pantry
1st Saturday after the 7.00pm Mass
Parish Hall for Hire
Inquiries (03) 9489 6777

St Mark’s Princess Hill
Sunday 10:00am Portuguese



Reflection:
GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO EAT YOURSELVES.
*With the five loaves and two fish that
Jesus had blessed, the disciples fed a
vast crowd.
Our acts of service and love towards
others may often seem small but,
blessed by Jesus, they too can have a
great impact. We need Jesus to bless our work, and Jesus needs us to feed the
hungry and comfort the lonely of our world. Together, we can do great things.*
Excerpts from St. Paul’s Sunday Missal.

Riflessione:
Molti domandano: “Chi è Gesù? Come vive colui che è il solo ad essere amato
totalmente da Dio? Cosa si prova quando si è vicini a lui? Il Vangelo istruisce
quelli che non hanno dimenticato come ascoltare. Gesù apprende la notizia
della morte terribile di Giovanni Battista (Mt 14,3-12).
Ne è colpito, e desidera rimanere solo. È questo il motivo per cui prende una
barca per andare sul lago. Ma la folla non lo lascia. Quando egli accosta
sull’altra riva, essa è già là: malati e sofferenti, tutti quelli che hanno bisogno di
un Salvatore. E Gesù non si sottrae.
Le ore passano e gli apostoli si preoccupano. Essi vogliono che Gesù mandi via
la folla. Tuttavia Gesù assume la propria responsabilità. Non vuole lasciare
partire nessuno a pancia vuota. Egli dà senza fare conti, generosamente.
Solo Dio può dare senza diventare povero. Gesù - incarnazione del Dio infinito
nella nostra finitezza - dà come lui. Egli dona se stesso, ed esige da coloro che
vogliono essere dei suoi: “Date loro da mangiare”; dividete il poco che avete,
cinque pani, due pesci. “Date tutto”, e gli apostoli fanno la loro distribuzione.
È Gesù che offre, i suoi apostoli che offrono, una Chiesa che offre se stessa:
ecco il segno e il marchio della generosità di Dio.
Estratti da <https://www.lachiesa.it>

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](https://www.melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding)

2	Liturgical Calendar and Activities			
Day of the Week	Responsial Psalm	St. Mark	St. Brigid	Parish Activity
SATURDAY/SABATO 1st August 2026 <i>St Alphonsus Liguori, bishop, doctor</i>	Lord, <i>in your great love,</i> answer me.		5.30pm Mass 7.00pm Spanish Mass	11.00am Baptism of Alana GUTIERREZ DIAZ Congratulations!
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 2nd August 2026 18th Sunday in the Ordinary Time	The hand of the Lord feeds us: he answers all our needs.	10.00am Portuguese Mass	9.45am English Mass 11.00am Italian Mass † Gaetano & Carmelina CAFARELLA † Savina PERUFFO (1st ann) 2.00pm Healing Mass - Catholic Charismatic Renewal Melbourne	12.00pm Baptism of Kirby Kate MORRISON Congratulations!
Monday/Lunedì 3rd August 2026 <i>St Dominic, priest</i>	<i>Teach me your laws, O Lord.</i>		9.15am Mass 7.30pm Memorial Mass † Salvatore VAVALA (4th ann)	
Tuesday/Martedì 4th August 2026 <i>St John Vianney, priest</i>	<i>The Lord will build up Zion again, and appear in all his glory.</i>		9.15am Mass 11.30am Funeral Service † Caterina FORTUNATO	
Wednesday/Mercoledì 5th August 2026 Wednesday of the 18th Week in Ordinary Time	<i>The Lord will guard us, like a shepherd guarding his flock.</i>		9.15am Mass 7.30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena and Mass (Filipino Comm)	
Thursday/Giovedì 6th August 2026 <i>The Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	<i>The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.</i>		9.15am Mass 12.30pm Requiem Mass † Vincent CAPUTI	10.30am Baptism of Isak CUKUR VELAZQUEZ Mikaela CUKUR VELAZQUEZ Congratulations!
Friday/Venerdì 7th August 2026 Friday of the 18th Week in Ordinary Time	<i>It is I who deal death and give life.</i>		8.30am Divine Mercy and Adoration 9.15am Mass 7.00pm Spanish Mass - First Friday Sacred Heart Devotion	

Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father - August : For evangelization in the city.
Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

8th August 2026 (Vigil)	5.30pm	9th August 2026	9.45am	11.00am
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	M. de Souza		J Santos	T. Toscano
II Reading	M. de Souza		S Atherton	P. La Marca
Prayers of the Faithful	M. de Souza		MC Sister	G. Catena
Altar Servers			C Smith	F Sirianni
EMHC			Simret Telia	

 **The Missionaries of St. Charles Borromeo - Scalabrinians - www.scalabrinian.org**
Ministering to the Parish and Migrants in St. Brigid's Fitzroy North, since 1959.



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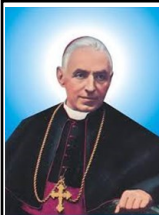
St. Brigid's Weekend Collection
 1st Collection : \$ 252.95
 2nd Collection : \$ 253.70
 Online Donation : \$ 688.90
Your generosity helps us continue to serve our community with faith and compassion. Thank you for your continued support.



Parish Notice
The tap (card) machine is located at the back of the church. Thank you



Scalabrinian Vocational Year 2026-2027
 Let us pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood within the Scalabrinian Congregation as it celebrates its Vocational Year.
May more hearts be inspired to respond generously to God's call and serve migrants and people on the move with compassion and dedication.



PRAYER TO SAINT JOHN BAPTIST SCALABRINI
O Saint John Baptist Scalabrini, with the heart of bishop and the zeal of an apostle you gave yourself completely to all. You listened to the cries of migrants, spoke in their name, defended their rights. You found sustenance in the Eucharist solace in the cross of Jesus, comfort in Mary, Mother of the Church. Through your intercession may God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit grant peace to all humanity, protect those who cross seas and borders sustained by hope, bless us and our loved ones and grant us the grace that we entrust to your fatherly love. Amen.
 St John the Baptist Scalabrini, pray for us.

CONFIRMATIONS
 Congratulations to:
Eliana CLIMACO - ZULLIGER
Gabriella ROJO RODRIGUEZ



May the Holy Spirit continue to strengthen and guide them throughout their lives of faith.

First Holy Communion
 First Holy Communion registration and classes will start on **Sunday, 23rd August 2026.**
 The classes are open for those who are 8 years old and above.
 For further enquiries, please call Sr. Tessila MC on 03 9415 1011 or 0405 785 710 or parish office on 9489 6777 / email to fitzroynorth@cam.org.au



Temporary Closure of Chapel
 Please note that the chapel is temporarily closed due to roof repair works.
Weekday Masses will be held in the church until further notice.
We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
 Are you, or someone you know, interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about Catholic faith?
Registrations for the RCIA program are now open.
 Classes will commence in **September 2026.**
 For more information or to register, please contact the Parish Office on 9489 6777 or email to fitzroynorth@cam.org.au



Shape the Future: Be Counted as Catholic this Census
 Australia's national Census will be held on **11 August 2026.**
 Catholics are encouraged to mark "Catholic" in the question on religion.
 In a time when some would seek to diminish the importance of faith, it is vital that the Catholic community be represented in our national statistics. Census data supports Church pastoral planning and contributes to government decision-making on health, education, infrastructure, and social services – guiding resource and funding allocations across Australia. By identifying as Catholic, you can help ensure that the contribution and needs of faith communities are properly recognised and considered in future planning and policy decisions.



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Light into the City
 Light into the City is a five to ten-year vision that involves the careful and necessary restoration of St Patrick's Cathedral and heritage buildings, and the renewal of the Cathedral precinct.
 It will strengthen the Church's mission to serve with mercy, hope and joy, ensuring this sacred site continues to welcome, gather and inspire generations to come.
 The Archbishop invites Catholics and the wider community to be part of Light into the City, a shared investment in faith, heritage and the future of the city.