

A reading from the prophet Isiah 55: 6-9

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,
call to him while he is still near.
Let the wicked man abandon his way,
the evil man his thoughts.
Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him,
to our God who is rich in forgiving;
for my thoughts are not your thoughts,
my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.
Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways,
my thoughts above your thoughts.
The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 144: 2-3, 8-9, 17-18

The Lord is near to all who call him.

I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
The Lord is great, highly to be praised,
his greatness cannot be measured.

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.

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

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians 1: 20-24, 27

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with

Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.
Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Acts 16: 14

*Alleluia, alleluia! Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son. Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 20: 1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, “You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage.” So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, “Why have you been standing here idle all day?” “Because no one has hired us” they answered. He said to them, “You go into my vineyard too.” In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, “Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first.” So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. “The men who came last” they said “have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day’s work in all the heat.” He answered one of them and said, “My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?” Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon Ps 118: 4-5

*You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept;
may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.*

Entrata: <u>LODATE DIO</u> Lodate Dio, schiera beate del cielo, lodate Dio, genti di tutta la terra cantate a lui, che l’universo creò somma sapienza e splendore. Lodate Dio, Padre che dona ogni bene. lodate Dio, ricco di grazia e perdono: cantate a lui, che tanto gli uomini amò da dare l’unico Figlio. Lodate Dio,uno e trino Signore, lodate Dio, mèta e premio dei buoni: cantate a lui, sorgente di ogni bontà, per tutti i secoli. Amen!	Offertorio: <u>A TE SIGNOR LEVIAMO I CUORI</u> A te Signore leviamo i cuori A te Signor noi li doniam. Quel pane bianco che t’offre la Chiesa e’ frutto santo del nostro lavoro accettalo, Signore, e benedici. R. Quel vino puro che t’offre la Chiesa forma la gioia dei nostri bei colli; accettalo, Signore, e benedici. R. Gioie, dolori, fatiche e speranze nel sacro calicenoi deponiamo: accettali, Signore, e benedici. R.	Comunione: <u>SEI TU SIGNORE IL PANE</u> Sei tu Signore il pane, tu cibo sei per noi. Risorto a vita nuova, sei vivo in mezzo a noi Nell’ultima sua cena, Gesù si dona ai suoi: prendete pane e vino, la vita mia per voi. Mangiate questo pane: chi crede in me vivrà chi beve, il vino nuovo, con me risorgerà. È Cristo il pane vero, diviso qui fra noi: formiamo un solo corpo e Dio sarà con noi Se porti la sua Croce, in lui tu regnerai. Se muori unito a Cristo,con lui rinasceraì. Verranno i cieli nuovi, la terra fiorirà. Vivremo da fratelli, la Chiesa è carità	Fine: <u>NOME DOLCISSIMO</u> Nome dolcissimo, nome d’amore, tu sei rifugio al peccatore. Frai cori angelici è l’armonia: Ave Maria, ave Maria! Nel fosco esilio, fulgida stella, sei nostra gioia, Vergine bella. Ascolta il grido dell’alma mia: Ave Maria, ave Maria. Saldo mi tieni sul buon sentiero; dei gaudi eterni al gran pensiero Frai cori angelici è l’armonia: Ave Maria, ave Maria! (X2)
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Weekly Parish Newsletter

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St Brigid’s Fitzroy North

WEEKDAY MASSES (in Church)

Monday-Friday 9:15am

WEEKEEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil 5:30pm English 7:00pm Spanish	Sunday 9:45am English 11:00am Italian
Mass in Swahili 3 rd Sunday 5:00pm	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 church

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

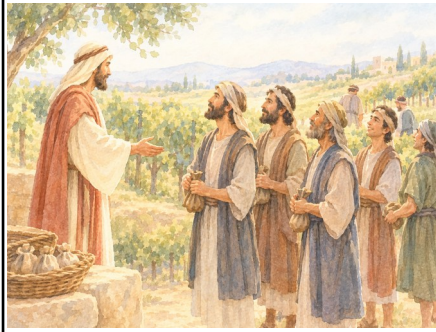
Reflection:

MY WAYS ARE ABOVE YOUR WAYS.

Those who had laboured in the vineyard all day were angry when the owner paid the latecomers the same wage.

Like the story of the prodigal son, this parable reminds us that the kingdom of heaven is not characterised by our limited concepts of justice but by a compassion that knows no limits. May we not be envious at the good fortune of others but rejoice that we too are loved deeply by God.

Excerpts from St. Paul’s Sunday Missal.



Riflessione:

Gesù ci svela quanto la sua logica sia diversa dalla nostra e la superi. Nella sua vigna c’è spazio per tutti e ogni ora può essere quella giusta. Così come ogni nostra situazione di vita deve essere la vigna che ci è affidata per curarla e metterla in grado di portare molto frutto e questo non per rinchiuderci egoisticamente in un ambito ristretto ma per riconoscerci, a partire dal concreto dell’esistenza, “lanciati sulle frontiere della storia”, per essere cioè veri evangelizzatori e missionari.

Siamo tutti pronti a riconoscerci tra gli operai che hanno accettato l’invito della prima ora, ma quale potrà essere la chiamata che il Signore ci riserva per l’ultima ora, per la sera della nostra vita? Riconoscersi tra i chiamati alla salvezza deve significare renderci disponibili ad accogliere ogni chiamata, anche la meno gratificante, la più difficile e dolorosa.

Estratti da <https://www.lachiesa.it>

**Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father - September :
For the care of water.**

*Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water,
a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to 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 19th September 2026 24th Saturday in the Ordinary Time	<i>I will walk in the presence of God, with the light of the living.</i>		5.30pm San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena and Mass Gabriel DUGGAN-repose of soul 7.00pm Spanish Mass	10.00am Baptism of Sophie CORDERO BELTRÁN <i>Congratulations!</i>
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 20th September 2026 25th Sunday in the Ordinary Time	<i>The Lord is near to all who call him.</i>	10.00am Portuguese Mass	9.45am English Mass Repose of souls: Gabriel DUGGAN Battista & Antonia GUERRA Death anniversary: Renzo BALZAN (1st) Matteo DELLE VERGINI (1st) 11.00am Italian Mass 5.00pm Swahili Mass 7.00 San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass	We sincerely thank Father Yon Wiryono, SVD and Father Michele Cagna, CS for celebrating Sunday Mass with us.
Monday/Lunedi 21st September 2026 St Matthew, apostle, evangelist	<i>Their message goes out through all the earth.</i>		9.15am Mass Katie & Alex BUTLER-repose of souls 7.00 San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass	
Tuesday/Martedi 22nd September 2026 Tuesday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time	<i>Guide me, Lord, in the way of your commands.</i>		9.15am Mass Teresa O'LAUGHLAN-repose of soul 7.00 San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass	
Wednesday/Mercoledi 23rd September 2026 St Pius of Pietrelcina, priest	<i>Your word, O Lord, is a lamp for my feet.</i>		9.15am Mass Maurice FAY-repose of soul 7.00pm San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena 7.30pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena and Mass	
Thursday/Giovedi 24th September 2026 Thursday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time	<i>In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.</i>		9.15am Mass John MADIGAN-repose of soul 11:00am Viewing of Diego VASQUEZ 12:00pm Funeral of Diego VASQUEZ 7.00 San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass	† <i>"May he rest in peace"</i>
"Friday/Venerdi 25th September 2026 Friday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time	<i>Blessed be the Lord, my Rock!</i>		8.30am Divine Mercy and Adoration 9.15am Mass Lorn & Mary JACKMAN-repose of soul 2:00pm Special 15th Birthday and 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass 7.00 San Lorenzo Ruiz Novena Mass	<i>Happy Birthday to Thalia Teresa Barrientos & Happy Golden Anniversary to Victor Manuel Barrientos and Ana Edith Barrientos</i>
26th September 2026 (Vigil)	5.30pm	27th September 2026	9.45am	11.00am
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	M. de Souza		F Malana	T. Toscano
II Reading	M. de Souza		MC Sister	P. La Marca
Prayers of the Faithful	M. de Souza		FCCM	G. Catena
Altar Servers			C Smith	F Sirianni
EMHC			Joe Boffa	
 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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Parish Notice
The tap (card) machine is located at the back of the church.
Thank you



St. Brigid's Weekend Collection
1st Collection : \$ 242.15
2nd Collection : \$ 22.70
Online Donation : \$ 535.48
Thank you for your generosity and continued support. Your kindness helps our parish community grow and flourish.



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.

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.

First Holy Communion Class
First Holy Communion classes will have a break during the school holidays.
Classes will resume on **Sunday, 4 October 2026.**
For further enquiries, please call Sr. Maria Ina MC on 03 9415 1011 or 0405 785 710 or parish office on 9489 6777 / email to fitzroynorth@cam.org.au





Social Services Sunday
Sunday 20 September 2026
What is Social Services Sunday?
Social Services Sunday is an opportunity to recognise and thank the staff, volunteers and organisations who support people experiencing disadvantage and marginalisation.
As we celebrate Social Services Sunday, we recognise the need for encounter. Passion for connection and meeting others creates the kinship that is imperative in times of hardship and for building strong communities.
What have we achieved together?
Catholic social service organisations in Victoria support more than 300,000 Victorians across over 388 sites, drawing on the expertise and commitment of over 7,510 staff and more than 15,831 volunteers.
How can you get involved?
• Join with others in your parish or community to take action—big or small. Consider the particular needs in your area and ask: What can we do together? How can we better love and serve our neighbours?
• Consider volunteering your time, sharing your skills, making a donation, or advocating for people experiencing disadvantage
• Pray for social services and their staff and volunteers
Social Services Sunday Video, with a message from Fr John Petrus, Episcopal Vicar for Justice and Social Services: 

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





Melbourne Synod 2026
Archbishop Peter A Comensoli has formally convoked a Synod for the Archdiocese of Melbourne.
A synod is a gathering of God's people – bishops, priests and representatives – who come and discern together about matters regarding faith, governance, and pastoral care.
This process involves prayer, dialogue, and consultation, aiming to foster a deeper understanding of the Church's mission in the contemporary world.
Some parishioners have been nominated to become members of the Melbourne Synod. From the parish nominations, each region will then endorse 15 representatives for membership of the Synod.
The Synod Assembly will take place from 4 – 6 December 2026.

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.

