

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 36-41

God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.
On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: ‘The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.’ Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, ‘What must we do, brothers?’ ‘You must repent,’ Peter answered ‘and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.’ He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, ‘Save yourselves from this perverse generation.’ They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.
The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. **R.**

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **R.**

A reading from the first letter of St Peter 2:20-25

You had gone astray but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.
The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.
This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.
The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 10: 1-10

I am the gate of the sheepfold.
Jesus said: ‘I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.’
Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.
So Jesus spoke to them again:
‘I tell you most solemnly, I am the gate of the sheepfold.
All others who have come are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them.
I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture.
The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy.
I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.
The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon :

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

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 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!	Offertory: <u>O SIGNORE, NOI T’OFFRIAMO</u> O Signore, noi t’offriamo Tutti iniseme questo pane; è il frutto della terra e dell’uomo che lavora. Benedetto sia tu, Signore; questo pane che mangiamo è un dono del tuo amore è un segno di bontà. O Signore, noi t’offriamo Tutti insieme questo vino: è il frutto della vite e dell’uomo che lavora Benedetto sia tu, Signore; questo vino che beviamo è un dono del tuo amore è un segno di bontà.	Communion: <u>SIGNORE SEI TU IL MIO PASTORE</u> <i>Signore, sei tu il mio pastore, nulla mi può mancar nei tuoi pascoli.</i> Tra l’erbe verdeggianti Mi guidi a riposar all’ acque tue tranquille mi fai tu dissetar. Rit. Se in valle tutta oscura lo camminar dovrò, vicino a te Signore, più nulla temerò. Rit. Per me hai preparato il pane tuo immortal; il calice m’hai colmo di vino celestial. Rit. La luce e la tua grazia Mi guideranno ognor; da Te d’intro- durranno per sempre, o mio Signor.	Final: <u>DELL’AURORA</u> Dell’aurora Tu sorgi più bella, coi tuoi raggi, a far lieta la terra, e fra gli astri che il cielo rinserra non vi è stella più bella di Te. Bella Tu sei qual sole Bianca più della luna, e le stelle le più belle non son belle al par di Te. Gli occhi tuoi son più belli del mare La tua fronte ha il colore del giglio, Le tue gote, bacciate dal Figlio, son due rose, e le labbra son fior. R. T’incoronano dodici stelle. Al tuo piè piegano l’ali del vento Della luna s’incurva l’argento Il tuo manto ha il colore del ciel. R.
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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	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 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:

THEY KNOW HIS VOICE.

At times it can be hard to recognise the voice of Jesus as there are many who claim to speak in his name. A useful guide is to look at people’s actions. We can listen to those whose lives reveal the qualities of Jesus: love, compassion, justice, self-sacrifice. They are the good shepherds in our midst. **Excerpts from St. Paul’s Sunday Missal.**



Riflessione:

Gesù si presenta come il Mediatore tra Dio e gli uomini. Egli è “la porta” dell’ovile. Non ci è dato di incontrare Dio in modo immediato. Non possiamo stabilire noi il modo in cui comunicare con lui. Dio si rivela e si dona a noi attraverso il Cristo che vive nella Chiesa.

Raggiungiamo la comunione con lui mediante la strumentalità della Chiesa in cui è presente e opera Cristo. Gesù non è soltanto il Mediatore del disvelarsi e dell’offrirsi di Dio a noi. È la realtà stessa del Verbo divino che ci raggiunge, ci illumina con la fede, ci trasforma con la grazia, ci guida con la sua parola, i suoi sacramenti e la sua autorità. Egli è la “porta” e il “Pastore” che “cammina innanzi” alle pecore.

Gesù, come Buon Pastore, ci conosce per nome, ci ama e per noi offre la propria vita in una dilezione che si spinge sino alla fine. Noi credenti siamo chiamati ad “ascoltare la sua voce” e a “seguirlo” senza porre condizioni. Egli ci conduce al “pascolo”. È la croce, dopo la quale, però, giunge la gioia senza limiti e senza fine: una gioia che ha le sue anticipazioni anche nell’esistenza terrena. **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 25th April 2026 Saturday of the Third week of Easter Anzac Day	<i>I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.</i>		5.30pm Mass 7.00pm Spanish Mass	10.30am Baptism of Rafael HALBIN MARIN 11.30am Baptism of Maite NUNEZ CORDOBA Congratulations!
SUNDAY/DOMENICA 26th April 2026 Fourth Sunday of Easter	<i>The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.</i>	10.00am Mass (Portuguese Community)	9.45am English Mass 11.00am Italian Mass 5.00pm Portuguese Mass (Brazilian Community)	12pm Baptism of Miguel Jorge AZEVEDO Congratulations!
Monday/Lunedi 27th April 2026 Monday of the Fourth week of Easter	<i>My soul is thirsting for the living God.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel)	
Tuesday/Martedi 28th April 2026 Tuesday of the Fourth week of Easter St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr	<i>All you nations, praise the Lord.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel) 10.30am Funeral Mass for † Julia MARTINEZ 7.30pm Baptism Workshop	
Wednesday/Mercoledi 29th April 2026 Wednesday of the Fourth week of Easter St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor	<i>O God, let all the nations praise you!</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel)	
Thursday/Giovedi 30th April 2026 Thursday of the Fourth week of Easter	<i>For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.</i>		9.15am Mass (Chapel)	
Friday/Venerdi 1st May 2026 Friday of the Fourth week of Easter	<i>You are my Son; this day I have begotten you.</i>		8.30am Divine Mercy and Adoration (Chapel) 9.15am Mass (Chapel) 7.00pm First Friday Mass - Sacred Heart (Spanish Chap)	

Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father - May: That everyone might have food.
*Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food,
and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.*

2nd May 2026 (Vigil)	5.30pm	3rd May 2026	9.45am	11.00am
I Reading & Resp. Psalm	M. de Souza		J Boffa	T. Toscano
II Reading	M. de Souza		V Lobo	P. La Marca
Prayers of the Faithful	M. de Souza		MC Sisters	G. Catena
Altar Servers			C Smith	F Sirianni
EMHC			Fatima Malana / Fawaz Jeneby	



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Thank you for your continued support.

Good Shepherd Sunday 2026
Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.
Pope Leo tells us: Listen to the voice of the Lord who invites you to a full and fruitful life, calling you to put your talents to use (cf. Mt 25:14-30) and to unite your limitations and weaknesses with the glorious cross of Christ. *Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.*
A Vocation View On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, pray for yourself. Pray to know if God is calling YOU to be a Priest, Sister or Brother. Pray!
A prayer request You might know of a young person in the parish, in your family or an acquaintance whom you think would make a good priest or religious. Why not pray for them by name on a regular basis? Carry them with you 'spiritually' to Mass on Sunday and place them on the alter at the offertory. Sometimes the Lord uses us as his instruments to encourage vocations.

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

thank you

Sacrament of Confirmation 2026
Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in our parish on **Sunday, 12 July 2026, with Bishop Rene Ramirez.**
Enrolment and Introduction will take place on Sunday, 26 April 2026. Candidates will be invited to make a commitment during the Mass to attend the preparation classes.
Classes will run from 3 May to 28 June 2026 (covering Term 2). Anyone wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation is encouraged to contact Sr. Tessila MC on 03 9415 1011.

Parish Volunteer Notice – Working With Children Check
All parish volunteers are kindly reminded to ensure that their *Working With Children Check (WWCC)* is current and has not expired. If your WWCC is due to expire or has already expired, please arrange for its renewal as soon as possible to continue your valuable service within the parish. If you need any assistance with the renewal process, the parish office staff are more than happy to help during office hours.

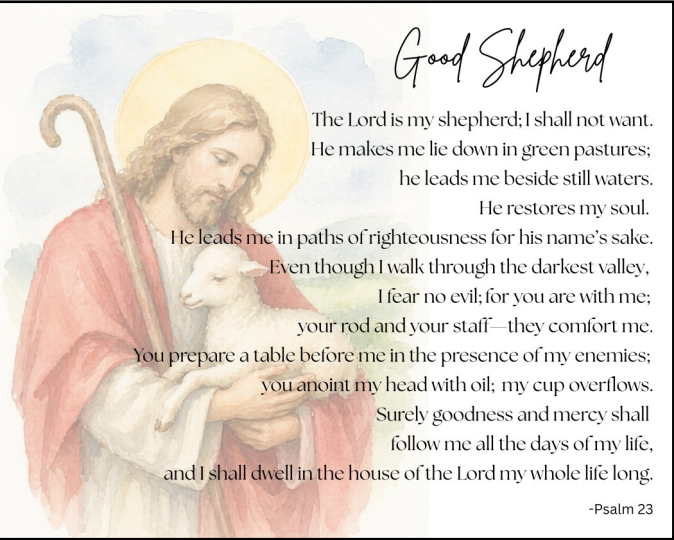
Thank you for your cooperation and for your ongoing commitment to keeping our parish a safe environment for all.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD – TRAINING & FORMATION
Parishioners are warmly invited to attend the Ministers of the Word Training and Formation program:
Mary Immaculate Parish, 2–6 Waverley Ave, Ivanhoe
▮ Friday 15 May, 6:00pm – 9:00pm
▮ Saturday 16 May, 9:00am – 4:00pm
(this is a continuous program across both days, not repeated sessions.)
This training explores the meaning of liturgical ministry is about, and details the practical and spiritual formation needed for those who proclaim the Word of God in the Church's liturgy. The Mass is explored in some detail, with a special focus on the Liturgy of the Word, and the layout and content of the Lectionary are examined in relation to the Liturgical Year.

✚This is a free event.

Light into the City
"I envision St Patrick's Cathedral precinct as a Light into the City: a welcoming home of prayer, pilgrimage and mercy; a beacon of beautiful liturgy and sacramental life; a centre for formation, culture and dialogue; and a hub of charity, outreach and reconciliation. Renewed for mission, it will gather diverse communities, serve the vulnerable, and stand as a spiritual and civic heart for Melbourne."
-Most Rev Peter A Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne-

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE 20 JULY-13 AUGUST 2026
Fatima, Avila, Toledo, Zaragoza, Lourdes, Carcassonne, Avignon, Genova, Cinque Terre, Padova, Plitvice, Medjugorje, Dubrovnik, San Giovanni Rotondo, Loreto, Cascia, Asisi & Rome.
Accompanied by Mrs Maria Azzolina– Contact: Rebecca: 0411 694 244/Mrs Maria Azzolina: 0408348513/Mary: 0408919073



2026 National Count of Attendance
The 6th National Count of Attendance at Mass and Other (Sunday) Assemblies will take place in May 2026. This year marks a significant milestone — 25 years of national attendance data, beginning with the first count in 2001. The 2026 results will provide valuable insights into long-term trends, particularly in understanding the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, which influenced attendance patterns in 2021.

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