

OUR FAITH



EASTER 2023

Do not be afraid the angel tells the women who have come to the empty tomb. I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here. He has risen as he said he would!

Come and see the place where he lay, then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him."

Life is calling them, calling us away from dead things. Love is calling them and us out of the tomb of our fears and despair. Will we go and see where he is coming to meet us?

Each Easter, we repeat the familiar rites. We come together and take simple things - fire and light - water and oil - bread and wine. This is beautifully echoed in the artwork by Poppy Wishart which I selected from our Easter Art Exhibition. We tell the great story again. We sing, we pray, we move together. We stand at the doorway of a mystery where past and present and future come together.

This mystery is our relationship with God. We don't understand it fully now, but we can touch it and we can enter it.

This mystery is Jesus Christ, son of God and son of Mary. Two thousand years ago, his friends saw him die and then they met him after he rose from the dead, the same man but transformed. Their story has been handed on to us. It can become our story too, because Jesus is alive and we can meet him too, wherever Galilee may be for you or me.

The story has been handed on, not in words alone, but in the community of the Church and her sacraments. In Baptism we celebrate not just an outward ceremony: we receive faith and eternal life from God. For those who are baptized, the new creation has already begun.

Each Christian's story of receiving forgiveness and a new beginning is their own. And, as each person's story opens out to the life of God's Kingdom, we discover, in the communion of saints, in the life of the Church, that it is one great story and it is ours.

+Michael McKenna
Bishop of Bathurst

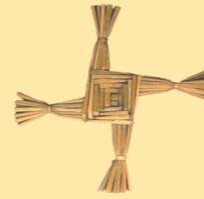


A "HUGE" thank you to all who made the Easter Celebrations a very special time in our Parish.



Blessing of Homes during Eastertime
There are phials for Easter Holy Water and Home blessing sheets available at the statue of Mary & Jesus in the church

Catholic Parish of St Brigid's Dubbo



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.



OUR WORSHIP

SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION - 9TH APRIL 2023

Today's Readings: Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43; Colossians 3: 1-4; John 20:1-9
Next Sunday's Readings: Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47; **St Peter** 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

1st reading:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles
We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23.

R/v.24

R. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

2nd Reading:

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians
Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Gospel:

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the

teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

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

Easter Reflections

Where do you find your greatest joy?

Who are the resurrection people in your life -

The ones who lift you up?

How often do you thank them?



We acknowledge the original owners of this land and pay respects to the elders: past, present, and emerging of the Wiradjuri people.

OUR COMMUNITY

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WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED:
Susan Culkin

ANNIVERSARIES:
Kieran O'Leary
Ken Wheelhouse



Masses to be offered for:

Keith Beacroft, Garth Ireson, Cecil & Kay O'Leary, John Johnson, Anthony & Mary Mamo, Frank & Mary Teuma, Gilbert & Martin Pahlow, Neville Treacy, Dennis Taylor, Kreyborg family, Joan Cowley, Domonic Dean, Colin Shibble, Special Intentions, Dean family & friends, Tony Carolan, Lourdes Oracion (Melbourne), Iris Hodder, James Alborough, Melbourne Stephenson, John Joseph Reynolds, Deceased members of the Reynolds, Kingham & Ryan families, Prayers for Phillip, Neville Heron, Marguerite Taylor, Alfred Walsh, Enid Porch, Luciani, Crisante, Sulpizio families, Maria Angeloni, Rina Mastellotto, Marcello Pavan, Dick & Margaret Ryan, Jim Slavin (seriously ill), Colleen Moffitt, Paula Gray, P A, Val & Shirley Egan, Tom Nelson, Ray & Maureen Nolan, Judy Prentice, Don Egan, Greg Tratt, Paul, Phillip, Karen Van Denhoven, Marcia, Terry & Jim Fahy, Francesco & Bibiana Lappa, Lappa family, Arturo & Angela Marinucci, Dec'd members of the Marinucci family, Ida Mathes, Tim Meehan, Ray Meehan, Bill O'Neill, Tom & Joan Slattery, Dec'd members of McMillan, Munro & Olsen families, Madden, Duggan & Honeysett families, Jake Walton

Those who are sick:

Isabella Betts, Helen Barter, John Bonnington, Carmel Carolan, Molly Croft, Joshua Farr, Anthony Galea, Joe Gough, Brian Heron, Rachel Hobden, Brooke Kaluzyn, P A, Margaret Main, Mike, Hollie Mulligan, Keith Newton, Pat Nitschki, Valerie Perkins, Tom Schiemer, Mick Simmons.

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



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2.00pm-4.30pm

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HOME ROSARY

Tuesday 11th
April
to Friday
14th April,
at the home of
Geoff & Bridget Mann
413B Macquarie Street
Dubbo
Commencing at 7.30pm
All are most welcome.

If you would like to be included
on the roster contact
Fran Schubert 0417 452 678

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

This week at a glance

Monday 10th April
9.00am Mass at St Brigid's
Choir in recess

Tuesday 11th April
5.00pm Meditation
5.45pm Mass St Brigid's
Mens Choir in recess

Wednesday 12th April
9.30am Mass St Laurence's
10.30am Craft M/R 3

Thursday 13th April
10.00am Rosary Makers Meeting
M/R 1
5.45pm Mass St Brigid's
6.30pm Melody Music Choir

Friday 14th April
11.00am Funeral - Robert Perry
NO 12pm MASS at St Laurence's

Saturday 15th April
9.30am Mass St Brigid's
6.00pm Vigil Mass St Brigid's

Sunday 16th April
7.30am Mass St Laurence's
9.00am Mass St Brigid's
6.00pm Mass St Brigid's

HARD OF HEARING?

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

St Laurence's Catholic School is
advising that enrolments for 2024
Kindergarten are open.
Enrolments forms are
available on the school
website or from the office.



Also required at St Laurence's is
a volunteer to teach Chess to students
at the School.



Every Sunday after 9am
Mass, come along for a
cuppa in front of the
Meeting rooms.



WELCOME AND BLESSING

During this special Easter Season,
St Brigid's Parish welcomes our RCIA
Candidate to our parish
community.

REBECCA MCKINNON



Project Compassion Boxes & Envelopes
Please bring these to church when you
come to Mass



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

16th April 2023
St Brigid's Church

1.30pm *The Holy Rosary*
2.00pm *Blessing & Veneration of the Image of Divine Mercy*
2.15pm *Stations of the Cross*
2.30pm *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Confession Available*
3.00pm *Divine Mercy Chaplet*
3.30pm *Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament*

To fittingly observe Divine Mercy Sunday, we should precede the feast by a nine-day novena of reciting the Divine Mercy Chaplet, beginning on Good Friday (privately said)



CLAIM THE DATE

Men's Breakfast
Saturday May 13th from 7.30am
Invited guest speaker
Full details later
Organised by St. Brigid's Pastoral Council

There will be **NO 2nd THURSDAY PARISH DINNER** in APRIL

The next Parish Dinner will be held on 11th May

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