

MY LORD AND MY GOD

Entrance Antiphon 1 Peter 3:2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, **alléluia.**

1st Reading Acts 5:12-16

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

117:2-4,22-27

RESPONSE: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say: ‘His love has no end.’ Let the sons of Aaron say: ‘His love has no end.’ Let those who fear the Lord say: ‘His love has no end.’ **R/**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. **R/**

O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord, grant success. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light. **R/**

2nd Reading Rev 1:9-13,17-19

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God’s word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord’s day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, ‘Write down all that you see in a book.’ I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle. When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, ‘Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.’

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Jn 20:29

Alléluia, alléluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! **Alléluia!**

Gospel Jn 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were,

for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, ‘Peace be with you,’ and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. ‘As the Father sent me so am I sending you.’ After saying this he breathed on them and said: ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.’ Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, ‘We have seen the Lord,’ he answered, ‘Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.’ Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. ‘Peace be with you,’ he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.’ Thomas replied, ‘My Lord and my God!’ Jesus said to him: ‘You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.’ There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



St Brigid's & St Michael's MIDLAND PARISH

2nd Sunday of Easter/ DIVINE MERCY

27th April 2025

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Sacramental Program:
Reconciliations:

Weddings/Baptism:

Parish Calendar

Sunday, 27th APRIL 2025

8:00 am Mass
9:30 am Mass
Antonio Scasserra RIP 2 yrs
3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena (Celebration after)
6:00 pm Mass

Monday, 28th APRIL 2025

8:00 am Mass

Tuesday, 29th APRIL 2025

8:00 am Mass

Wednesday 30th APRIL 2025

9:30 am Mass
11:30 am St John of God Hospital Mass

Thursday, 1st May 2025

8:00 am Mass
9:30 am Italian Mass

Mass Schedule



Friday, 2nd May 2025

9:30 am Mass
6:00pm Divine Mercy Benediction

Saturday, 3rd May 2025

8:00 am Mass
11:00 am Reconciliation
5:00 pm Reconciliation
6:30pm Mass
Maria Moore RIP 9 yrs
8:00 pm Mass at the Parish Hall
Neocatechumenal Way Eucharist

SACRAMENTAL DATES 2025

Enrolments for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation are ongoing. Please visit our parish website <https://stbrigidsmidland.com.au> for registration.

Parent/Child Sacramental Workshops

at St Brigid's Mackillop Hall
Reconciliation 6th May, Tues 3:30pm-4:30pm
Holy Communion 5th June, Thur at 3:30pm-4:30pm
Confirmation 2nd Sept, Tues at 3:30pm-4:30pm

Sacramental Retreats

at St Brigid's Mackillop Hall
Reconciliation 6th May, Tuesday
Holy Communion 9th June, Monday
Confirmation 3rd September, Wednesday

Sacramental Ceremonies

at St Brigid's Church
Reconciliation 13th May, Tues at 5:00pm
Holy Communion 15th June, Sunday at 11:00am
Confirmation 21st September, Sunday at 11:00am

After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

My dear people, you, like myself, are well aware that our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ is the one physician capable of bringing us eternal healing and salvation. We know, too, that it was in order to accomplish this that he took upon himself the weakness of our human nature, otherwise that weakness would have remained with us for ever. He equipped himself with a human body liable to death, so that in and through that body he might conquer death itself. And though, as the apostle tells us, it was his human weakness that made it possible for him to be crucified, it was his divine power that enabled him to return to life. The same apostle says: "He will never die again, neither will death have any further hold upon him." All this you already know and believe, and also the consequences flowing from it; we can be sure that the miracles he wrought while he lived among us were meant to encourage us to accept gifts from him that should never pass away nor have an end. Thus he gave back sight to blind eyes that would shortly be closed again in death; he raised Lazarus from the dead only for him

to die again. His bodily cures, indeed, were never meant to last for ever, even though at the end of time he is to give the body itself life everlasting. But because "seeing is believing," he used those visible wonders to build up people's faith in even greater marvels that could not be seen. Let no one then be found to say that since Christ Jesus our Lord no longer works such miracles among us, the Church was better off in its early days. On the contrary, in one recorded testament, the same Lord sets those who have never seen and yet believe before those who believe only because they see. Indeed, so great was the disciples' weakness at that time, that when they saw the Lord they found it necessary to touch him before they could believe he had really risen from the dead. They were unable to believe the testimony of their own eyes, until they had handled his body and explored his recent wounds with their fingers. Only after this was done could that most hesitant of all his disciples exclaim: "My Lord and my God!" Thus it was by his wounds that Christ, who had so often healed the manifold wounds of oth-

ers, came to be recognized himself. Now we may ask: could not the Lord have risen with a body from which all marks of wounds had been erased? No doubt he could have; but he knew his disciples bore within their hearts a wound so deep that the only way to cure it was to retain the scars of his own wounds in his body. And when that confession: "My Lord and my God!" was uttered, what was his answer to it? "You believe," he said, "because you have seen me; blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." And who, my brothers and sisters, are those if not ourselves and those who are to follow after us? When, later on, the Lord had departed from human sight and faith had had time to strike roots into people's hearts, those who believed in him made their act of faith without seeing him in whom they made it. The faith of such believers is highly meritorious, for it springs from a devoted heart rather than from an exploring hand.

Gospel: John 20: 19-31 *Commentary:* Augustine of Hippo

Donations Please note of collections during the mass;

First Collection go towards the priest in the parish and to support priests across the Archdiocese who are retired, sick and for those who are in remote areas.

Second Collection will go towards for the maintenance, expenses of our church and growth for the parish mission. If you wish to make a donation, please find our bank details below.

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Parish Communities

 Mary Mother of Perpetual Help Wednesdays 7:00 PM	 Divine Mercy Devotion Fridays 6 PM Benediction 1st Friday of the Month	 Legion of Mary Wednesdays 10:30 AM	 Neocatechumenal Way Mass (Everyone is invited) Saturdays 8:00 PM
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Next Sunday Readings: **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

1st Reading Acts 5:27-32, 40-41 **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13 *I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.*

2nd Reading Rev 5:11-14 **Gospel Acclamation** Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation, he has shown pity on all people. **Gospel** Jn 21:1-19

PARISH NEWS

Morning Tea

Come and join our morning tea, refreshments and fellowship on 4th May after the 9:30 am Mass, to be hosted by the Couples for Christ community.

Business and Trade Directory

Support local, support our parish!
We encourage parishioners who run businesses or are involved in trades to be part of our directory. All entries will be showcased on our Parish Notice Board. Please contact parish office for more details.

MAY PILGRIMAGE AT THE SCHOENSTATT SHRINE

Sunday 4 May 2025, 2.30 – 4.30 pm



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Reader's Roster

This week Saturday 6:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM (St Michael's)	Sunday 9:30 AM	Sunday 6:00 PM
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Vince	E Benfield	Fe Mari	Maria
Justin		Vanessa	Liz
Natalie		Farida	Sandro

Next Weekend

Saturday 6:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM (St Michael's)	Sunday 9:30 AM	Sunday 6:00 PM
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