



# St Brigid's & St Michael's MIDLAND PARISH



*Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time / Year B*

*11th August 2024*

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Weddings/Baptism:	Only by Appointment

## Parish Calendar — 19th Week of Ordinary Time

### Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> August, 2024

8:00am Mass (St Michael's)  
Morning Tea after the mass  
9:30am Mass  
Frank Callo RIP  
6:00pm Mass

### Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2024

8:00am Mass  
Ancy Alex RIP 8 yrs  
7:00pm Rosary for the late  
Ilario Iacopetta

### Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2024

8:00am Mass  
10:00am Funeral Mass for the late  
Dinko "Danny" Vladislavich



1:00pm Funeral Service for the late  
Ilario Iacopetta

### Wed, 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2024

St Maximilian Mary Kolbe  
9:30am Mass  
Laurie Gnech RIP 37 yrs  
11:30 am Mass  
(St John of God Hospital)  
7:00pm Assumption of Mary  
(Vigil Mass)

### Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2024

The Assumption of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary  
8:00am Mass  
9:30 am (Italian Mass)

### Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2024

9:30am Mass

### Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2024

8:00am Mass  
11:00am Confessions  
5:00pm Confessions  
6:30pm Mass  
Dolores Enad RIP 4 yrs  
8:00pm Neocatechumenal  
Community Mass  
(Parish Hall)

# I am the living bread that came down from heaven

In his goodness and love for humankind, Jesus, the most divine Word, one, simple, and hidden, assumed our nature, appearing though unchanged in his own nature as a being both composite and visible. Graciously he received us into unifying communion with himself, joining our lowliness to his sublime divinity, upon the sole condition that we in our turn should adhere to him as members of his body by living a pure and godly life like his, and not giving reign to ruinous, death-dealing passions, which would make us incapable of union with those completely healthy and divine members.

If we aspire to communion with Jesus, we must fix our eyes upon the most holy life he lived in the flesh and follow the example

of his divine innocence so as to become pure and godlike. Then, in a manner befitting us, he will give us a resemblance to himself.

The bishop manifests these truths in the sacred rites he performs when he publicly unveils the hidden gifts, divides them into many parts, and by the perfect union of the sacrament he distributes with those who receive it, admits the recipients to communion with it. For by thus presenting Jesus Christ to our eyes he shows us the very life of our spirit and understanding in a way perceptible to our senses, as it were pictorially. He shows us how Christ came forth from his divine concealment to assume for love of humanity our human form, becoming completely human without loss of

his own identity; how while remaining unchanged he descended from his natural unity to the level of our divisibility; and how through the beneficent deeds inspired by his love for us, he calls the human race to communion with himself and to a share in his blessings. He asks only that we unite ourselves to his most divine life by imitating it to the best of our ability, so as to enter into a real communion with God and his divine mysteries.

Gospel: John 6:41-51

Commentary: Attributed to Denis the Areopagite

**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation** In Australia, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is indeed a holy day of obligation. This means that Catholics are required to attend Mass, similar to Sundays and other designated feast days. "The Catechism of the Catholic Church states: "On Sundays and other holy days of obligation, the faithful are to refrain from engaging in work or activities that hinder the worship owed to God, the joy proper to the Lord's Day, the performance of the works of mercy, and the appropriate relaxation of mind and body" (#2185).

### Why We Celebrate the Assumption

The Assumption is a testament to the dignity and sanctity of Mary, who, through her unwavering faith and obedience to God's will, became the mother of our Savior. This solemnity underscores the hope of eternal life and the promise of resurrection for all who follow Christ. It reminds the faithful of the ultimate destiny that awaits those who live in accordance with God's will.

**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.

<b>First Collection</b> The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Perth St Brigid's Parish Midland Presbytery	<b>Second Collection</b> The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Perth St Brigid's Parish Midland
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### Parish Communities

 <b>Mary Mother of Perpetual Help</b> Wednesdays 7:00 PM	 <b>Divine Mercy Devotion</b> Fridays 6 PM Benediction 1st Friday of the Month	 <b>Legion of Mary</b> Wednesdays 10:30 AM	 <b>Neocatechumenal Way</b> Mass (Everyone is invited) Saturdays 8:00 PM
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**Next Sunday Readings: 20th Sunday In Ordinary Time / Year B**

**First Reading** Proverbs 9:1-6 **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 33:2-3, 10-15 R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord  
**Second Reading** Ephesians 5:15-20 **Gospel Acclamation** John 6:56 **Gospel** John 6: 51-58

# PARISH NEWS

## Mass on the Assumption of Mary

We will celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the following Mass schedules;

**Wednesday, August 14th 7:00 pm Vigil Mass,  
Thursday, August 15th 8:00 am and 9:30 am**

This is a day of obligation, and we invite all to join us as we honor the assumption of Mary to heaven.

### Sacrament of Confirmation Update

The date for the Sacrament of Confirmation has been rescheduled from 1st September to 8th September. Please mark your calendars with the new date.

For more information you may contact Gail our Catechist.

We Invite You to  
**COME AND LISTEN!**  
Catechesis For Adults  
Mondays and Thursdays 7:30 pm  
**Starting 19th of August**  
At  
**St Brigid's Catholic Church  
PARISH HALL**  
"Come to me all of you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest"  
Matthew 11:28  
God knows you and He loves you  
He has a word of love for you today.  
Babysitting and transport provided on request.  
Any enquiries please contact  
Fr. Rodrigo 0420 799 047  
Matthew Casley 0413 793 679

### St Michael's News Father and Son Breakfast

Inviting all Sons, Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles, Nephews to our Father and Son Breakfast on Saturday August 31st (the day before Father's Day) at Coffee Hut opposite St. Michael's Church. Herne Hill at **9 a.m.** Come along for a yummy breakfast and lots of fun and prizes.

Sign up sheet is the back of the church. Booking is essential and numbers are limited.  
Queries Di Ritchie  
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### Our Sick

Please keep those who are sick at home, and in nursing homes and in the general community in your prayers. Let us keep our parishioners in our prayers:

Caty Jones, Phyllis Lee,  
Marion Sands,  
Nancy Andrijich,  
Graham Johnston

### Requiescat in Pace

Dinko "Danny" Vladislavich  
Ilario Iacopetta

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

<p>Prepaying for your funeral is ultimate care for your family</p> <p>For more information please call <b>Patricia Walker</b> 0407 787 084</p> <p><b>MAREENA PURSLOWE</b> FUNERALS <i>a woman's understanding</i> mareenapurslowefunerals.com.au</p>		<p><b>Prepaid funerals available</b></p> <p>For more information please call <b>Patricia Walker 0407 787 084</b></p> <p><a href="http://purslowechipperfunerals.com.au">purslowechipperfunerals.com.au</a></p> <p> <b>Purslowe &amp; Chipper Funerals</b> Honouring Lives</p>	<p><i>Don't miss out on the little moments.</i></p> <p>131 Great Eastern Highway, Midland 6056 <a href="http://bowraodea.com.au">bowraodea.com.au</a> 08 9229 7255</p> <p><b>BOWRA &amp; ODEA</b></p>
<p><b>St Brigid's Primary School</b></p> <p><b>20 Toodyay Road</b></p> <p><b>Middle Swan W.A. 6056</b></p> <p>PO Box 1396 Midland 6936 Telephone: 62163800 Email: <a href="mailto:admin@stbrigidms.wa.edu.au">admin@stbrigidms.wa.edu.au</a></p> <p><i>Your Local Catholic Primary School for</i></p>	<p>At La Salle College, every student is given the opportunity to succeed and be the best they can be.</p> <p><b>Enrol now for 2026 and 2027</b></p> <p>Limited places available for 2025</p> <p><a href="http://www.lasalle.wa.edu.au">www.lasalle.wa.edu.au</a></p>	<p> <b>TRINITY ASSOCIATES</b> CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS <b>Biju Anthony CA, CTA, LLB</b> Tel: 0403 454 237 <a href="mailto:trinitycaanz@gmail.com">trinitycaanz@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>TAX RETURNS &amp; ACCOUNTING SMSF AND TAX ADVICE</b></p>	
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# WHOEVER BELIEVES HAS ETERNAL LIFE

## Entrance Antiphon

cf. Ps 73: 20, 19, 22, 23

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

## FIRST READING:

1 Kg 19:4-8

### A reading from the first book of Kings

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'Lord,' he said 'I have had enough. Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God

The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 33:2-9

**RESPONSE: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.**

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its

boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. R\

Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us praise his name. I sought the Lord and he answered me; from all my terrors he set me free. R\

Look towards him and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed. This poor man called; the Lord heard him and rescued him from all his distress. R\

The angel of the Lord is encamped around those who revere him, to rescue them. Taste and see that the Lord is good. He is happy who seeks refuge in him. R\

## SECOND READING:

Eph 4:30-5:2

### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ.

Try, then, to imitate God as children of his that he loves and follow Christ loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

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## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 6:51

**Alléluia, alléluia!** I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. **Alléluia!**

## GOSPEL:

Jn 6:41-51

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus said in reply, 'Stop complaining to each other. 'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets: *They will all be taught by God*, and to hear the teaching of the Father, and learn from it, is to come to me. Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God: he has seen the Father. I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life. 'I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead; but this is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that a man may eat it and not die. I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

The Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**