

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Entrance Antiphon
cf. Ps 97:1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

1st Reading Acts 14:21-27

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. ‘We all have to experience many hardships’ they said ‘before we enter the kingdom of God.’ In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe. They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed. On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 144:8-13

RESPONSE: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

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. R.\

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign. R.\

Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. R.\

2nd Reading Rev 21:1-5

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, ‘You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their

eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.’ Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: ‘Now I am making the whole of creation new’.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Jn 13:31-35

Alléluia, alléluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alléluia!

Gospel Jn 13:31-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

When Judas had gone Jesus said: ‘Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon. My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples’.

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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5th Sunday of Easter/ Year C

18th May 2025

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Saturday 11:00 am to 12:00pm

Saturday 5:00pm to 6:00pm

Only by Appointment

Parish Calendar

Sunday, 18th May 2025

8:00am Mass

9:30am Mass

*Patrick Ryan RIP

*Mary Cecilia Wells RIP 17/5/1964

*Anna Bordoni RIP 28/4/2025

*Len Kuhl 27/4/2025

*Maria Salome Pastor RIP 4 yrs

*Alan Heartly Nicholls RIP

Death Anniversary

6:00pm Mass

Leticia Cristobal 40 days RIP

Monday, 19th May 2025

8:00am Mass

Edoardo Taverniti RIP 14 yrs

Tuesday, 20th May 2025

8:00am Mass

Wednesday 21st May 2025

9:30am Mass

Mass
Schedule



Conrado Alday Sr RIP 1 yr

11:30am St John of God Hospital Mass

Thursday, 22nd May 2025

8:00am Mass

9:30am Italian Mass

Friday, 23rd May 2025

9:30am Mass

Alice John & Panackal RIP Remembrance

Wedding Anniversary

6:00pm Divine Mercy Devotion

Saturday, 24th May 2025

OUR LADY, HELP of CHRISTIANS

8:00am Mass

11:00am Confessions

5:00pm Confessions

6:30pm Mass
8:00pm Mass -Parish Hall
Neocatechumenal Way

Sacramental Dates 2025

Parent/Child Sacramental Workshops

at St Brigid's Mackillop Hall

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

Holy Communion 9th June, Monday

Confirmation 3rd September, Wednesday

Sacramental Ceremonies

at St Brigid's Church

Holy Communion

15th June, Sunday at 11:00am

Confirmation

21st September,

Sunday at 11:00am

I give you a new commandment: love one another.

I give you a new commandment, said Jesus: love one another. But how, we might ask, could he call this commandment new? Through Moses, he had said to the people of old: *You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.* Notice what follows. He was not content simply to say, *I give you a new commandment: love one another.* He showed the novelty of his command and how far the love he enjoined surpassed the old conception of mutual love by going on immediately to add: *Love one another as I have loved you.* To understand the full force of these words, we have to consider how Christ loved us. Then it will be easy to see what is new and different in the commandment we are now given. Paul tells us that *although his nature was divine, he did not cling to his equality with God, but stripped himself of all privilege to assume the condition of a slave.*

He became as we are, and appearing in human form humbled himself by being obedient even to the extent of dying, dying on a cross. And elsewhere Paul writes: *Though he was rich, he became poor.* Do you not see what is new in Christ's love for us? The law commanded people to love their brothers and sisters as they love themselves, but our Lord Jesus Christ loved us more than himself. He who was one in nature with God the Father and his equal would not have descended to our lowly estate, nor endured in his flesh such a better death for us, nor submitted to the blows given him by his enemies, to the shame, the derision, and all the other sufferings that could not possibly be enumerated; nor, being rich, would he have become poor, had he not loved us far more than himself. It was indeed something new for love to go as far as that! Christ commands us to love as he did, putting neither reputa-

tion, nor wealth, nor anything whatever before love of our brothers and sisters. If need be, we must even be prepared to face death for our neighbor's salvation as did our Savior's blessed disciples and those who followed in their footsteps. To them the salvation of others mattered more than their own lives and they were ready to do anything or to suffer anything to save souls that were perishing. *I die daily,* said Paul. *Who suffers weakness without my suffering too? Who is made to stumble without my heart blazing with indignation?* The Savior urged us to practice this love that transcends the law as the foundation of true devotion to God. He knew that only in this way could we become pleasing in God's eyes, and that it was by seeking the beauty of the love implanted in us by himself that we should attain to the highest blessings. *Gospel: John 13:31-35*
Commentary: Cyril of Alexandria

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.

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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 Mass (Everyone is invited) 10:30 AM	Neocatechumenal Way Mass (Everyone is invited) Saturdays 8:00 PM

Next Sunday Readings: SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

1st Reading Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8 R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

2nd Reading Rev 21:10-14, 22-23 **Gospel Acclamation** Jn 14:23 **Gospel** Jn 14:23-29

PARISH NEWS

An Invitation To Our Seniors

Dear golden Oldies of our Parish, either from St. Brigid's or St. Michael's, you are warmly invited to join us every last Friday of the Month, commencing on Friday May 30th for Mass at St. Brigid's at 9.30 a.m. This will be followed by a delicious morning tea in the St. Brigid's Hall. Come along, join with other seniors and let us know if there are any activities you might like to do in the future.

SENIORS MASS FRIDAY MAY 30TH AT 9.30 A.M. AT ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH FOLLOWED BY MORNING TEA SUPPLIED IN THE HALL.

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Invitation of Ordination With gratitude to Almighty God Redemptoris Mater Archdiocesan Missionary Seminary warmly invites you to the Ordination to the Presbyterate of Rev. Marco Ferraioli, Rev Jupiter Bin Justin and Rev Gionata Pagani by the Most Reverend Timothy Costelloe, SDB, Archbishop of Perth on 23rd May Friday at 7pm, St Mary's Cathedral.

Congratulations Wishing all the kids who celebrated the sacrament of Reconciliation last May 13th a heartfelt blessing from the Lord!

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