

TRUST IN A YEAR OF DROUGHT

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON CF. PS 30:3-4

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

1st READING JER 17:5-8

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this: 'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited. 'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 1:1-4

RESPONSE: Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but whose delight is the

law of the Lord and who ponders his law day and night. **R/**

He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade; and all that he does shall prosper. **R/**

Not so are the wicked, not so! For they like winnowed chaff shall be driven away by the wind. For the Lord guards the way of the just but the way of the wicked leads to doom. **R/**

2nd READING 1 COR 15:12, 16-20

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people. But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION LK 6:23

Alléluia, alléluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alléluia!

GOSPEL LK 6:17, 20-26

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said: 'How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God. Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied. Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh. 'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets. 'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now. Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry. Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep. 'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



St Brigid's & St Michael's MIDLAND PARISH

6th Sunday Ordinary Time / Year C



16th February 2025

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Saturday 5:00pm to 6:00pm

Weddings/Baptism:

Only by Appointment

Parish Calendar

Sunday, 16th Feb 2025

8:00am **Mass**
9:30am **Mass**
Greg Jobson RIP 9 yrs
6:00pm **Mass**
Giovanni (John) Stefanelli 3 yrs RIP
Maria Stefanelli 7months RIP

Monday, 17th Feb 2025

8:00am **Mass**

Tuesday, 18th Feb 2025

8:00am **Mass**



Wed, 19th Feb 2025

9:30am **Mass**
11:30am **Mass (St John of God Hospital)**

Thursday, 20th Feb 2025

8:00am **Mass**
9:30am **Italian Mass**

Friday, 21st Feb 2025

9:30am **Mass**
6:00am **Divine Mercy Devotion**

Saturday, 22nd Feb 2025

The Chair of St Peter, apostle
8:00am **Mass**
11:00am **Confessions**
5:00pm **Confessions**
6:30pm **Mass**
Angelina Pinti and Marco Pinti recently passed away in Palmoli, Italy
8:00pm **Neocatechumenal Eucharist (cancelled)**

HAPPY ARE YOU WHO ARE POOR. ALAS FOR YOU WHO ARE RICH.

Only Christians have a true sense of values; their joys and sorrows are not the same as other people's. The sight of a wounded boxer wearing a victor's crown would make someone ignorant of the games think only of the boxer's wounds and how painful they must be. Such a person would know nothing of the happiness the crown gives. And it is the same when people see the things we suffer without knowing why we do so. It naturally seems to them to be suffering pure and simple. They see us struggling and facing danger, but beyond their vision are the rewards, the crowns of victory-all we hope to gain through the contest! When Paul said, We possess nothing, and yet we have everything, what did he mean by "everything"? Wealth of both the earthly and the spiritual order. Did he not possess every earthly gift when whole cities

received him as an angel, when people were ready to pluck out their eyes for him, or bare their necks to the sword? But if you would think of spiritual blessings, you will see that it was in these above all that he was rich. The King of the universe and Lord of angels loved him so much that he shared his secrets with him. Did he not surpass all others in wealth then? Did he not possess all things? Had it been otherwise, demons would not have been subject to him, nor sickness and suffering put to flight by his presence. We too, then, when we suffer anything for Christ's sake, should do so not only with courage, but even with joy. If we have to go hungry, let us be glad as if we were at a banquet. If we are insulted, let us be elated as though we had been showered with praises. If we lose all we 80 possess, let us consider ourselves the gainers. If we provide

for the poor, let us regard ourselves as the recipients. Anyone who does not give in this way will find it difficult to give at all. So when you wish to distribute alms, do not think only of what you are giving away; think rather of what you are gaining, for your gain will exceed your loss. And not only in the matter of almsgiving, but also with every virtue you practice: do not think of the painful effort involved, but of the sweetness of the reward; and above all remember that your struggles are for the sake of our Lord Jesus. Then you will easily rise above them, and live out your whole lifetime in happiness; for nothing brings more happiness than a good conscience.

Gospel: Luke 6: 17.20-26

Commentary: John Chrysostom

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: 7th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

First Reading 1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 102:1-4,8,10,12-13 **R.** The Lord is kind and merciful. **Second Reading** 1 Cor 15:45-49 **Gospel Acclamation** Jn 13:34 **Gospel** Luke 6:27-38

St Michael's News

Lenten Programme : Ash Wednesday is March 5th. and if you interested in purchasing a lenten Reflection booklet from Brisbane Archdiocese for \$7 and meeting weekly for discussion, please fill in your name and preferred day on the sheet at the back of our St. Michael's Church/ hall.

Advance Notice : A Trash and Treasure Market is proposed for Saturday April 5th in St. Michael's grounds. Please mark your calendar and start collecting your treasures for sale.

Reader's Roster

This week

Saturday 6:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM (St Michael's)	Sunday 9:30 AM	Sunday 6:00 PM
*Vince *Valita *Natalie	*A Woodland	*Declan *Vanessa *Bjel	*Charlotte *Melissa *Christina

Next Weekend

Saturday 6:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM (St Michael's)	Sunday 9:30 AM	Sunday 6:00 PM
*Vince *Justin *Natalie	*Di Ritchie	*Fe Mari *Vanessa *Farida	*Maria *Liz *Sandro

PARISH NEWS

SACRAMENTAL DATES 2025 INFORMATION

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

Parent Information Night (All Sacraments)

6th March at 5:00pm, Thursday, St Brigid's Church

Commitment Masses

(Please select ONE to attend)

15th March, Saturday at 6:30pm

16th March, Sunday at 9:30am or 6:00pm

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



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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, Maureen Kenny, Kevin Kenny, Tasha Scala, Caren Maitland, Malcolm McPherson & Pat Ryan

Requiescat in Pace

All souls in purgatory

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.

Thanks to everyone who attended, assisted and supported the Celebration of the feast of St Brigid's last Sunday. Visit our facebook and Instagram to view photos from the day and relive the joy with us!

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