

THE FIGHT AGAINST SIN

Entrance Antiphon Ps 83: 10 -11

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

1st Reading Jer 38: 4-6, 8-10

A reading from the book of Jeremiah

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank. Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said, 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Ps 39: 2-4, 18

RESPONSE: Lord, come to my aid!

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. R/

He drew me from the deadly pit, from the miry clay. He set my feet upon a rock and made my footsteps firm. R/

He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. Many shall see and fear and shall trust in the Lord. R/

As for me, wretched and poor, the Lord thinks of me. You are my rescuer, my help, O God, do not delay! R/

2nd Reading Heb 12: 1-4

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will

not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Jn 10: 27

Alléluia, alléluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alléluia!

Gospel Lk 12: 49-53

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over! 'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



St Brigid's & St Michael's MIDLAND PARISH

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year C

17th August 2025

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Sacramental Program: Saturday 5:00pm to 6:00pm
Reconciliations: Only by Appointment
Weddings/Baptism:

PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday, 16th August 2025
8:00am Mass

*Barry Moroney RIP 3 yrs

6:30pm Mass

*Sharon McFarlane for healing

Sunday, 17th August 2025

8:00am Mass

9:30am Mass

*Honeyleth Lopez - Thanksgiving
25th Birthday

*Patrick Ryan RIP

For healing & quick Recovery

*Arlene Cokiangco Dagman and

*Sharon McFarlane

6:00pm Mass

John (Skipper) Thorne RIP

Sharon McFarlane for healing

Monday, 18th August 2025

8:00am Mass

Tuesday, 19th August 2025

8:00am Mass

Mass Schedule



*Dolores Enad RIP 5 yrs

Wednesday 20th August 2025

St Bernard, abbot, doctor

9:30am Mass

11:30am St John of God Hospital Mass

Thursday, 21st August 2025

St Pius X, pope

8:00am Mass

Friday, 22nd August 2025

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:30am Mass

1:00 pm Funeral Service

for Shane Narrier

6:00pm Divine Mercy Devotion

Saturday, 23rd August 2025
8:00am Mass

11:00am Confessions -cancelled

5:00pm Confessions-cancelled

6:30pm Mass

8:00pm Mass -Parish Hall

Neocatechumenal Way

Sacramental Dates 2025

Parent & Child
Sacramental Workshop
at St Brigid's Mackillop Hall
Confirmation

2nd Sept, Tues at 3:30pm-4:30pm
Sacramental Retreat

at St Brigid's Mackillop Hall
Confirmation

3rd September, Wednesday
Sacramental Ceremony

at St Brigid's Church
Confirmation

21st September, Sunday at 11:00am

I HAVE COME NOT TO BRING PEACE, BUT DIVISION.

I have come to cast fire upon the earth. In other words, I have come down from the highest heaven and appeared to men and women through the mystery of the incarnation in order to light the fire of divine love in human hearts. And how I wish it were already ablaze! How I wish it were already kindled, fanned into flame by the Holy Spirit, and leaping forth in good works. Christ foretells that he will suffer death on a cross before the human race is inflamed by the fire of this love; for it was by his most holy passion that he won so great a gift for humankind, and it is chiefly the recollection of his passion that kindles the flame of love in Christian hearts. There is a baptism which I must undergo. By divine decree there remains for me the duty of receiving a baptism of blood, that is, of

being bathed, soaked upon the cross not in water but in my own blood poured out to redeem the whole world. And what constraint I am under until that has been achieved-until my passion is love and I say: It is accomplished. For Christ was impelled incessantly by the love within him. The way to attain the perfection of divine love is then stated. Do you think that I have come to bring peace on earth? In other words: Do not imagine that I have come to offer people a sensual, worldly, and unruly peace that will enable them to be united in their vices and achieve earthly prosperity. No, I tell you, I have not come to offer that kind of peace, but rather division a good, healthy kind of division, physical as well as spiritual. Love for God and desire for inner peace will set those who believe in me

at odds with wicked men and women and make them part company with those who would turn them from their course of spiritual progress and from the purity of divine love, or who attempt to hinder them. Good, interior, spiritual peace consists in the repose of the mind in God, and in a rightly ordered harmony. To bestow this peace was the chief reason for Christ's coming. This inner peace flows from love. It is an unassailable joy of the mind in God, and it is called peace of heart. It is the beginning and a kind of foretaste of the peace of the saints in heaven the peace of eternity.

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

Commentary: Denis the Carthusian

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 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.

1st COLLECTION	2nd COLLECTION
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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

Next Sunday Readings: 24 August 2025 21st SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading Isaiah 66:18-21 **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 116 R. Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

2nd Reading Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 **Gospel Acclamation** Jn 14: 6 **Gospel** Luke 13:22-30

Additional Parish News

ST MICHAEL'S- FATHER AND SON BREAKFAST

Calling all fathers, grandfathers, uncles, sons, grandsons uncles and nephews Join us at the Coffee Hut Herne Hill(opposite the Church) on Saturday September 6th at 9 a.m. for a celebration of fathers!!! Order from the menu and join in the competitions. Bookings essential so please put your name on the list at church or message Di Ritchie 0408599602.

ST BRIGID's -Golden Oldies Next Mass and morning Tea is Friday August 29 th . Mass at 9.30 a.m. followed by a scrumptious morning tea and lots of chatting. Also it will be a medical morning as we will have a nurse present for blood pressure screening. Looking after you!!!

Reader's Roster

This week

Saturday 6:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM (St Michael's)	Sunday 9:30 AM	Sunday 6:00 PM
Valita Justin Natalie	C White	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	S Yagmich	Fe Mari Vanessa Farida	Maria Liz Sandro

PARISH NEWS

Parish Pilgrimage 2025

Important Reminders for the Upcoming Pilgrimage

Date: 23 August 2025, Saturday

Time: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Location: Schoenstatt Shrine
9 Talus Dr, Mount Richon WA 6112

Transport: We respectfully request that all individuals who have registered for bus transportation arrive at the parish by 8:30 AM at the latest, as the bus is scheduled to depart promptly at 9:00 AM.

Items to Bring:

- * A plate to share
- * A donation for the nuns at the Schoenstatt Shrine (*any amount is welcome*)
- * Many people have asked about contributing to the bus fare; if you would like to help, a donation of \$10 per person is appreciated, but it is entirely optional for those who wish to give.



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:
John Hardy, Caty Jones, Phyllis Lee, Maureen Kenny, Kevin Kenny, Caren Maitland, Malcolm McPherson, Robin Nola Rae and Michael Caputo
Requiescat in Pace
Patrick "Pat" Ryan, Tasha Scala, Marion Sands, & 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.

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