

ENTERING GOD’S KINGDOM

Entrance Antiphon
cf. Ps 85: 1-3

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

1st Reading Isa 66: 18-21

A reading from the book of Isaiah

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
Ps 116: Mk 15: 16

RESPONSE: Go out to all the world; and tell the Good News

O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples! R.\\

Strong is his love for us; he is faithful for ever. R.\\

2nd Reading
Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 14: 6

Alléluia, alléluia! I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alléluia!

GOSPEL Lk 13: 22-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, ‘Sir, will there be only a few saved?’ He said to them, ‘Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed. ‘Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, “Lord, open to us” but he will answer, “I do not know where you come from.” Then you will find yourself saying, “We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets” but he will reply, “I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!” ‘Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from the east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. ‘Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.’

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



St Brigid's & St Michael's
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Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary time /Year C



24th August 2025

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Saturday 11:00 am to 12:00pm

Saturday 5:00pm to 6:00pm

Only by Appointment

PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday, 23rd August 2025

Pilgrimage to Schoenstatt Shrine

8:00am Mass

Reconciliation 11:00am cancelled

Reconciliation 5:00pm cancelled

6:30pm Mass

Sunday, 24th August 2025

8:00am Mass

9:30am Mass

Barbara Newton –prayer offered

Del Victus RIP 8 months

11:00am Baptism -

Lyla Catarina Ambrosini

12:00pm Baptism -

Kayde Manlapaz

6:00pm Mass

Monday, 25th August 2025

8:00am Mas

Tuesday, 26th August 2025

8:00am Mass

Mass
Schedule



Wednesday 27th August 2025

St Monica

9:30am Mass

11:30am St John of God Hospital Mass

Thursday, 28th August 2025

St Augustine, bishop, doctor

8:00am Mass

9:30am Italian Mass

Friday, 29th August 2025

The Passion of St John the Baptist, martyr

9:30am Mass

10:00 am Golden Oldies Morning Tea

11:00am Funeral Service-

Desmond Farrell

6:00pm Divine Mercy Devotion

Saturday, 30th August 2025

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 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

People from the east and from the west will come to take their place in the kingdom of God

God cries out that the kingdom of heaven is for sale. The glorious bliss of this kingdom surpasses the power of mortal eye to see, mortal ear to hear, mortal heart to conceive. If anyone asks the price that must be paid, the answer is: The One who wishes to bestow a kingdom in heaven has no need of earthly payment. No one can give God anything he does not possess, because everything belongs to him. Yet he does not give such a precious gift entirely gratis, for he will not give it to anyone who lacks love. After all, people do not give away what they hold dear to those without appreciation. So since God has no need of your possessions but must not bestow such a precious gift on anyone who disdains to value it, love is the one thing he asks for; without this he cannot give it. Give love, then, and receive the kingdom: love and it is yours. To reign in heaven simply means exercising a single power with God and all the holy angels and saints through being

so united with them in love as to want only what they want. Love God more than yourself, then, and already you will begin to have what you desire to possess fully in heaven. Be at one with God and with other men and women - so long as they are not at variance with God - and already you will begin to reign with God and all the saints. The desires of God and all the saints will be the same as yours in heaven, if your desires now are the same as those of God and other people. So, if you want to be a king in heaven, love God and other people as you should and then you will deserve to become what you desire. But you cannot have perfect love unless you empty your heart of every other love. That is why those who fill their hearts with love of God and neighbour desire nothing but the will of God or that of some fellow human being--provided this is not contrary to God. That is why they devote themselves to prayer, spiritual conversations, and reflection, for it is

a joy to them to long for God and to speak, hear, and think about him whom they dearly love. That is why they rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep, show compassion to those in distress, and give to the needy, since they love others as themselves. Hence too their contempt for riches, power, pleasure, honour, and praise. Those who love these things frequently offend against God and their neighbour--for the whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments. So those who wish to possess the fullness of that love which is the price of the kingdom of heaven should love contempt, poverty, toil, and subjection, as do the saints.

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

Commentary: Anselm of Canterbury

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

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| 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: 31 August 2025 22nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading Sirach 3:17-20,28-29 **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 67: 4-7, 10-11 **2nd Reading** Heb 12:18-19,22-24 **Gospel Acclamation** Mt 11:29 *Alleluia! Take my yoke upon you; learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart. Alleluia!* **Gospel** Luke 14: 1, 7-14

PARISH NEWS

THANK YOU to each and every one of you who took part in the pilgrimage to the **Schoenstatt Shrine**. Your presence, prayers, and spirit made this journey truly special and deeply meaningful. May the blessings received during this pilgrimage continue to guide and uplift you in the days ahead.

Golden Oldies Next Mass & Morning Tea

is on Friday August 29th . 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!!!



St Michael's News

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 msg Di Ritchie 0408599602.

Tuesday 9th September 7.30p.m.

Meeting of Friends of St. Michael's

Saturday 13th September Busy bee 8 a.m.

Sunday 14th September Breakfast celebrating Feast of St. Michael

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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:

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, Desmond Farrell & 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.

Legion of Mary

48Hr Rosary Bouquet for Our Lady's Birthday
6pm FRIDAY 5th Sept to 6pm SUNDAY 7th September 2024
6PM Presentation of the scroll of names will be made at the
St Mary's Cathedral, Perth.
Monday 8th September 2025, 12.10pm.
All information can be found
at www.legionofmarywa.org or by emailing
comitiumofperth@gmail.com

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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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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