

KEEP AWAKE TILL HE COMES

1st Reading Wis 18: 6-9
A reading from the book of Wisdom

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Ps 32: 1, 12, 18-20, 22

RESPONSE: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. **R/**

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **R/**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **R/**

2nd Reading Heb 11: 1-2, 8-19
A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

*Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended. It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were

heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God. It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.* All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them. It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead, and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation Mt 24: 42, 44
Alléluia, alléluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alléluia!

GOSPEL Lk 12: 32-48
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Jesus said to his disciples: There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom. ‘Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it.

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. *‘See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.’* Peter said, ‘Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?’ The Lord replied, ‘What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master’s arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, “My master is taking his time coming”, and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful. ‘The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.

The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



St Brigid's & St Michael's
MIDLAND PARISH

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME /YEAR C



10th August 2025

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Saturday 5:00pm to 6:00pm
Only by Appointment

PARISH CALENDAR		
<p>Sunday, 10th August 2025 8:00am <i>Mass</i> <i>St Michael's Morning Tea</i> 9:30am <i>Mass</i> *Frank Callo RIP 15 yrs *Arlene Cokiangco Dagman (healing and fast recovery) 11:00am <i>Baptism Nyra Geracitano & Ada Bolton</i> 6:00pm <i>Mass</i></p> <p>Monday, 11th August 2025 <i>St Clare, virgin</i> 8:00am <i>Mass</i></p> <p>Tuesday, 12th August 2025 8:00am <i>Mass</i> Ancy Alex RIP 9 years 2:00 pm Funeral Service - Ann Mladineo</p>	<p>Mass Schedule</p> <p>Wednesday 13th August 2025 9:30am <i>Mass</i> 11:30am <i>St John of God Hospital Mass</i> 2:00 pm <i>Funeral Service—Ilonka Sarich</i></p> <p>Thursday, 14th August 2025 <i>St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest, martyr</i> 8:00am <i>Mass</i> 9:30am <i>Italian Mass</i></p> <p>Friday, 15th August 2025 <i>The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</i> 9:30am <i>Mass</i> 6:00pm <i>Divine Mercy Devotion</i></p>	<p>Saturday, 16th August 2025 8:00am <i>Mass</i> 11:00am <i>Confessions</i> 5:00pm <i>Confessions</i> 6:30pm <i>Mass</i> 8:00pm <i>Mass -Parish Hall Neocatechumenal Way</i></p> <p>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</p>

SEE THAT YOU ARE PREPARED

When the Lord says: *Let your loins be girded and your lamps lit*, he is warning us to stay awake; for a light shining in one's eyes drives away sleep, and a tightly-fastened belt also makes sleep difficult, as the discomfort prevents relaxation. But the real meaning of the parable is perfectly clear: a person girded with temperance lives in the light of a clear conscience before God. And so, with the light of truth shining, the soul stays awake and is not deceived. It does not dally with illusive dreams. If following the guidance of the Word we attain this goal, our lives will in a way be like those of the angels, for we are compared with them in the divine command: *You must be like people waiting for their master to return from a wedding, ready to open the door immediately when he comes and knocks*. It was the angels who were awaiting the Master's return from the wedding. They sat with unsleeping eyes at the heavenly gates, so that when he returned the King of glory might pass through them once more into the heavenly bliss from which, as the psalm says, he had come forth like a bridegroom from his tent. He took us to himself as his virgin bride, our nature once prostituted to idols being restored by sacramental rebirth to virginal incorruptibility. After the marriage, when the Church had been wedded to the Word's John says, *He who has the bride is the bridegroom-and admitted to the bridal chamber of the sacred mysteries, the angels awaited the King of glory's return to the blessedness which is his by nature*. And so the Lord said our lives should be like theirs. Just as they, living lives far removed from sin and error, are ready to receive the Lord at his coming, so we also should keep watch at the entrance of our houses, and prepare ourselves to obey him when he comes to our door and knocks. *Blessed, he says, are those servants whom the master finds so doing when he comes*.

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

Commentary: Gregory of Nyssa

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

Next Sunday Readings: 17 August 2025 20th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 39:2-4, 18 R. *Lord come to my aid.*

2nd Reading Heb 12:1-4 **Gospel Acclamation** Jn 10:27 **Gospel** Luke 12:49-53

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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Valita Justin Natalie	C White	Declan Vanessa Bjel	Charlotte Melissa Christina
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PARISH NEWS

Pilgrimage 2025



We extend our gratitude to everyone who has registered. The registration for our bus hire transportation is now closed. Nevertheless, if you prefer to attend and bring your own vehicle, you are most welcome. Please remember that the event will take place on 23rd August, at the following address: Schoenstatt Shrine, 9 Talus Dr, Mount Richon WA 6112, starting at 10 am (arrival at the shrine) and concluding at 2 pm.

Social media and Website

"Have you checked our social media lately? We've posted some wonderful highlights from our parish activities — come take a look and see how God is working in our community!"

St Michael's News Coming Events

Saturday 6th September Father and Son Breakfast at Coffee Hut Herne Hill at 9 a.m.

Tuesday 9th September at 7.30. p.m. Meeting of Friends of St Michael's at the Hall.

Sunday 14th September Breakfast Celebrating Feast of St. Michael.

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Children Liturgy Volunteer Wanted

We're looking for enthusiastic and compassionate volunteers to help with our Children's Liturgy program, providing a safe and engaging environment for kids. For more information kindly contact the parish office.



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.

<p>Prepaying for your funeral is ultimate care for your family</p> <p>For more information please call Helen McGuinness 0407 787 084</p> <p>MAREENA PURSLOWE FUNERALS <i>a woman's understanding</i> mareenapurslowefunerals.com.au</p>	<p>Prepaid funerals available</p> <p>For more information please call Helen McGuinness 0407 787 084</p> <p>purslowechipperfunerals.com.au</p> <p>Purslowe & Chipper Funerals Honouring Lives</p>	<p>Don't miss out on the little moments.</p> <p>131 Great Eastern Highway, Midland 6056 bowraodea.com.au 08 9229 7255</p> <p>BOWRA & O'DEA FUNERAL DIRECTORS</p>
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