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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C - 17 July 2022

First Reading Gen 18:1-10 A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1

(R.) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

- 1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart; he who does not slander with his tongue. (R.)
- 2. He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. (R.)
- 3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. (R.)

Second Reading Col 1:24-28 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation See Lk 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.
Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 10:38-42 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

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Dear People of God,

Like so much of the Gospel of Luke, this week's passage is, at its heart, all about hospitality. This theme has featured in the gospel readings for the last couple of weeks. It is a theme that the writer returns to over and over again throughout the gospel to reinforce not only the importance of welcoming the message of Jesus, but also the extravagantly generous hospitality and welcome that God extends to all people.

Taken at a literal level, this week's gospel passage can be a problematic one. Jesus is dining at the house of Martha and she busies herself trying to be a good host and serving her guest, while her sister, Mary, simply sits and enjoys the company of Jesus. Martha complains about her sister's apparent laziness and finds herself chastised by Jesus.

On the surface, Martha is doing the right thing: providing hospitality for her guest. Yet Mary is the one whose actions are affirmed. Like in the parable of the Good Samaritan last week, the gospel writer reminds us that being preoccupied with one's duty – even in service of God – is not what God desires. Martha has forgotten that the guest is also a gift! Having welcomed and shown appropriate hospitality to her guest, Martha should have then accepted the gift of the guest, that is, the company and presence of the welcome guest. Instead she continues to busy herself with serving while her sister shows true welcome: accepting the gift of the guest's company.

When we welcome a guest into our house, we can be too worried about impressing the guest with lavish hospitality and our best serving ware, rather than relaxing and enjoying the company of the guest. Like Martha, we can overlook the fact that God is present when we welcome a guest.

It is no accident that this story about Martha and Mary immediately follows the parable of the Good Samaritan. We must remember that Jesus is portrayed as telling that parable as clarification of the law to love God and love neighbour. The Samaritan provides an example of what it means to love one's neighbour whilst in this story, Mary provides an example of what it means to love God. Together, the two stories tell us that compassionate service to one's neighbour is crucial but that God does not require service, simply love.

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	<p>Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>Saturday Morning</p>	<p>7.00 am</p> <p>6.00 pm</p> <p>9.00 am</p>		
	<p><u>Sunday Mass</u></p>			
	<p>Saturday Vigil</p> <p>Sunday</p>	<p>6.00 pm</p> <p>8.30 am sometimes live streamed</p>		
	<p><u>St John's Windabout Road, Beechmont</u> 1st Sunday of each month - 9.00am</p> <p>Next Mass at St John's 7th August 2022</p>			
	<p><u>Rosary</u></p> <p>Monday, Tuesday, Friday at 6.30 am</p> <p>Saturday at 8.30am. Sunday 8.00am</p>			
	<p><u>Divine Mercy Prayer</u> Thursday</p> <p><u>Adoration</u> in Church Wednesday</p>	<p>7.30 am</p> <p>5.30pm followed by 6.00pm Mass</p>		
	<p><u>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help</u> Saturday</p>	<p>9.30 am</p>		
	<p><u>Reconciliation: St Brigid's Church</u></p> <p>Mass at Earle Haven -</p>	<p>Saturdays 8:15am & 5:15 pm and Wednesday 5:15 pm</p> <p>2nd Friday of Month—9.15am</p> <p>Next Mass 12th August 2022</p>		

We remember all those who have gone before us to rest in the loving embrace of Jesus

We pray for the recently deceased :

We pray for the departed whose anniversaries occur at this time:

We also remember their families—may they be comforted in their loss by this Community of Faith.

We pray for those who are sick or in hospital: Sandra Miller, Brian Allen, Angela Sannen

Our prayers are also offered for those who are elderly and in Nursing Homes.



Piety Goods for Sale

Our piety store items are now located in the display cabinet adjacent the front door of the church. Items are available after Sunday Mass each weekend - please speak to Clare, Ann, or Ellen. A small range of items are available including a number of Gift items for Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion, however if needed additional specific stock can be ordered and provided on the following weekend.

Non-perishable food donations would be greatly appreciated and can be placed in a donation cage which is located past the toilet room under the roofed area adjacent the parish community building.



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

Our Parish contributed \$1,434.80 to the SVDP Nerang Conference Winter Appeal.

In these difficult times, we sincerely thank you for your valued contribution which is greatly appreciated. With your generous support St Vincent de Paul Society will continue to respond to people throughout our Nerang Community who find themselves experiencing poverty, loneliness and homelessness.

<p>Father's Day Raffle - 4 Sept</p> <p><i>We are in need of donations of gifts suitable for the up-coming Father's Day Raffle.</i></p> <p><i>Please see Betty 0438 130 322</i></p>	<p>We here at St Brigid's Catholic Parish Nerang as part of the Archdiocese of Brisbane MUST ABIDE BY AND ADHERE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRIVACY ACT & THE AUSTRALIAN PRIVACY PRINCIPLES. The Privacy Act impacts upon us all today and if you wish to peruse the Compliance Requirements and the Privacy Act, please go to the Archdiocesan Website www.bne.catholic.net.au. The Policy is on our website</p>
<p>Tap & Go</p> <p><i>You will notice a new Tap & Go machine at the church entrance. This is a very handy method of giving to St. Brigid's. The machine has been pre-set so that One tap equals \$10, two taps equals \$20 and multiples thereof. This takes care of the problem of being caught without cash and is a great benefit to our parish. Please use before or after Mass, not during.</i></p>	<p>Adonai's Youth & Young Adults Group</p> <p>We would like to invite all young people to join St Brigid's Parish Youth & Young Adults Group. We have over 20 members from ages 14 – 24. Talks are prepared by 3 youth leaders under the guidance of Fr. Jeremy, which offers a nourishing of the faith in church teachings and spirituality. Our meetings usually go for an hour and we regularly meet every second week after Wednesday 6pm mass. We invite you to our next meeting on Wednesday 13/07/2022 from 7pm – 8pm at the school hall located next to the presbytery. For more information, contact Chloe on 0406633284</p>
<p>Divine Mercy Meeting</p> <p>July 25th 10:00am at Marian Valley</p>	<p>BAPTISM PREPARATION -</p> <p>The preparation meeting for Baptism of infants will be held on Saturday 23rd July 2022 at 10.30am. in the Parish Centre. All parents who wish to have their children baptised in the next few months are encouraged to attend.</p>
<p>July 17, 2022 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p><i>"...I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God." Colossians 1:25</i></p> <p>We are all called to evangelize – to convert individuals and society by the divine power of the Gospel. Our faith is more attractive to others by our actions than by our words alone. We may not be called to evangelize like St. Paul, but we should look for opportunities to share our faith through our actions and words, especially with those closest to us, like our family, friends and neighbors. Pray for the courage to joyfully express your faith the next time the opportunity arises. archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weekly-bible-reflections</p>	<p>HOSPITAL CALLS</p> <p><i>Robina Hospital - Burleigh Heads Parish 5576 6466</i> <i>Pindara Hospital - Surfers Paradise Parish 5572 5433</i> <i>John Flynn Hosp -Coolangatta-Tugun Parish 5598 2165</i> <i>University & Gold Coast PrivHosp-Southport Parish 5510 2222</i></p>
	<p>LOST & FOUND</p> <p>The Lost and Found items will be kept in the kitchen of the Church for a maximum of 4 weeks. If not collected during this time all items will be donated to Charity or disposed of.</p>

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MARIAN VALLEY MASS TIMES

Weekday Mass is at 9.00 am Monday to Friday

Saturday Mass time is 11.00am

Sunday Mass times 11.00am and 4.00pm



St. Brigid's First Eucharist 2022

The Sacramental Program will be starting shortly with preparation dates as follows:

Saturday 23rd July at 9:30am	or	Sunday 24th July at 9:30am
Saturday 30th July at 9:30am	or	Sunday 31st July at 9:30am
Saturday 6th Aug at 9:30am	or	Sunday 7th Aug at 9:30am
Saturday 13th Aug at 9:30am	or	Sunday 14th Aug at 9:30am
Saturday 20th Aug at 9:30am	or	Sunday 21st Aug at 9:30am

First Eucharist is Sunday 28th August 8:30am

This is for children in Yr 4 or who have turned 9 yrs of age & have not received their First Eucharist.

