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**30th May, 2010**



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**In Our Prayers**

We pray for the wellbeing of all our Parishioners who are currently in ill health. We pray for the recently deceased and also for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

**Something New... Something Great... Calling all ACU students**

From 2-5 July ACU will host The Big Event 2010 (TBE2010) open to all ACU students and former students from every campus across Australia. TBE2010 will be four days of pure fun, constant inspiration, amazing opportunities, dynamic workshops, awe-inspiring talks from national and international speakers and of course meeting new people all to take place in the beautiful city of Melbourne. Immaculee Ilibagiza, world renowned speaker, author and survivor of the 1994 Rwandan genocide, will be the keynote speaker for TBE2010 along with American Catholic TV personality Steve Ray, Bishop Tim Costelloe and Jonathan & Karen Doyle. The theme for The Big Event 2010 is: "A future with hope. Making a difference" engaging students in social and conversational activities which explore personal, social justice, leadership, professional and faith issues. Registrations close 4<sup>th</sup> June so please book now by contacting Emily Wolfenden on (03) 9953 3098 or email: emily.wolfenden@acu.edu.au

In the porch of the church you will find copies of the Archbishop's 2010 Pentecost Letter "The Gift of Hope".

The Letter has been prepared with input from young people from our Catholic schools and youth apostolates. It is intended to encourage young people to appreciate and use their gifts and virtues as Christian leaders.

Please take a copy as you leave.



**Mary Mackillop Canonisation**

St. Brigid's Parish is supporting the Josephite Sisters in the lead up to the canonisation of Blessed Mary Mackillop, which will take place in Rome later this year.

Let us pray that her spirit will continue to have a profound influence upon our communities.

**The Gospel: John 16: 12-15**

The Gospel Reading takes us back to the Last Discourse - the conversation that John sets around the time of the Last Supper.

The death of Jesus is looming large and He is all too aware of the inability of the disciples to understand it - in fact, their inability to understand much of what Jesus' ministry was about.

The way ahead of the disciples will often seem dark. They will feel lost and confused. They will be afraid and doubt what they have heard. They will wonder what is true and what is fantasy. They will face bitter persecution and, as yet, cannot see why.

Here, Jesus gives them the promise of the Spirit of truth. They cannot understand what Jesus means yet - but the Spirit will lead them to a more complete understanding of what Jesus and His mission is about. The Spirit He promises, though, is not something separate from Himself - but will come from the Father and Himself. All that the Spirit will say comes from the Father and from Jesus.

Yet again, Jesus speaks of the closeness of His relationship with the Father. As yet, the disciples see Him only as a charismatic teacher and possible Messiah. They have yet to realise that Jesus really is the Son of God and that the Spirit He speaks of really is the outpouring of love from the Father and Son.

As Jesus said - it would be too much for them yet - but one day, they will understand - and will discover the true glory of the one they knew as Jesus of Nazareth.

**What does it mean for me?**

- When have you found something that Jesus said hard to understand?
- When have you found that "the penny dropped" - as the Spirit led you to understanding?

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DEAR God

Teach me that I connect with people who are similar to myself but learn from those who are different from me

Amen



**Departing Parishioners - We'll miss you.**  
 Please notify the presbytery.



**New Parishioners - Welcome to St Brigid's Parish.**  
 Please register at the Parish Office.





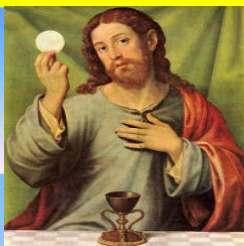
# Rosters and Events



## Ministers for next weekend's Masses:

### 6.00pm Mass: St Brigid's

**Readers:** Fred Zeinstra  
**Offertory:** Chosen on the day  
**Eucharist:** SueMcConville



### 8.00am mass: St Ambrose's

**Welcomer:** Max McMahon  
**Readers:** Mary Henry  
**Eucharist:** Lisa Wilson



### 9.30am Mass: St Patrick's

**Readers:** Marcia Collins, Michael Garvey  
**Offertory:** Chosen on the day  
**Eucharist:** Jill Cannon, Marg Garvey  
**Children's Liturgy:** Karlana Santamaria, Karen Clifford

### 11.00am Mass: St Brigid's

**Readers:** Gloria Lambert, Carmel Cribbes  
**Offertory:** Morrison family  
**Eucharist:** G Piacentini, Marie Barras  
**Children's Liturgy:** judy & Kieran Connell  
**Flowers:** Janice Shumack



**Counters:** Eileen Seric & Ralph Peterson  
Please keep both sides of envelopes together.

## give ... faith, hope, love

Next weekend our Parish will be holding the annual **Catholic Mission Church Appeal, focused on Zambia.** Missionary sisters reach out to remote communities where 85% live on less than \$1 a day and 1 in 2 children at the local school have lost both parents to HIV/AIDS. The Church is an active witness to people that they matter. Support Catholic Mission's worldwide missionary network giving faith, hope and love to people in 160 countries. **Please come prepared next week and give from your heart.**

**Catholic Mission**  
www.catholicmission.org.au  
Freecall 1800 257 296



### Food item collection each week

Thank you so much to the people at our three churches who have brought in grocery items each week for the food bank.

We are collecting ongoing donations to support the **Helping Hand Ministries (Foodbank)** run by **Riverside Christian Church** in Kynton. They need our support to meet the increasing demand for food for people in the **Macedon Ranges Shire** who are in need. They are so grateful for the huge support we have provided and groceries are going directly to those who call in.

There is a box at the door of each church. Just one item each week would be a great help; perhaps write it on your shopping list each week to remember.

Thank you - Anne Earley (St Brigid's), Mae Smith (St Patrick's), Carolyn Peterson (St Ambrose's)

### PARISH/COLUMBAN PROJECT

Last September, Sr Claire Griffin spoke at all Masses inviting our parish to be in partnership with the Columban Order supporting those in poverty in the Philippines. Since then a group of about 14 parishioners has met regularly with Fr Gerry and developed a focus for our activities.

We will financially support the Grameen Bank, which gives low interest loans to women in poverty, to develop opportunities that will enable them to be financially self-sufficient. It is hoped some members will visit communities in the Philippines next year, to establish ongoing personal relationships.

We are in the very early days of this project, but we have high hopes that through our parish and parish schools we can make a difference in the lives of many disadvantaged families. If you have any interest, or wish to financially support, or join our group, email [philliz@bigpond.com](mailto:philliz@bigpond.com) for more information, or ring Liz O'Donnell on 9744 3710.



### Weekday Masses: Tue 01 June - Fri 04 June 2010

Tues: 5.00pm  
Wed: 9.15am  
Thur: 8.00am  
Fri: 9.15am

**Reconciliation & Spiritual Direction: Saturday 9.00-10.00am**



The Victorian Aboriginal Catholic council (VACC) and the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Victoria (ACMV) invite everyone to join us in prayer during **Reconciliation Week (27 May - 3 June)**.

This year marks 10 years since the walk across the bridges in all states and 20 years since the decade of the Reconciliation process established by the Keating government.

We hope that parishes will take the opportunity to reflect on the last 10 years and re-commit to reconciliation.

The parishioners of St Brigid's are invited to celebrate  
The induction of

**The Reverend Gregory Ross Davies**  
As Incumbent

Tuesday 22nd June, 2010  
7:30pm

Church of the Resurrection  
Cnr Mt Macedon Rd & Honour Ave, Macedon

RSVP: Tuesday 15th June 2010  
Alison Kitching (Hon Secretary to the Vestry)  
[alison.kitching@bigpond.com](mailto:alison.kitching@bigpond.com), ph: 5428 7899 or 0418 394 201

### St Brigid's Parish Weekly Thanksgiving

Total Amount Received \$ 744.50  
Total Amount Pledged \$ 2,083.00  
Presbytery Collection \$ 527.45



Thank you for your ongoing support through the Thanksgiving Program.

May the Lord bless you all.