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**Our Lord  
 Jesus Christ,  
 the  
 Universal King  
 (Year A)  
 20th November 2011**



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**In Our Prayers**

We pray for the wellbeing of all parishioners, their families and friends who are currently in ill health especially Wilma Moat. We pray for the recently deceased, especially Rev Monsignor John Murphy and for those whose anniversary occur at this time especially Anne De Lai.

*“May they rest in Peace”*



**Reflection for the week**

*The service we render to others is really the rent  
 We pay for our room on this earth. It is obvious  
 That man is himself a traveller; that the purpose of this  
 World is not “to have and to hold” but  
 “to give and serve.”  
 There can be no other meaning*

*Sir Wilfred T Grenfell*

**Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46**

The Church’s liturgical year draws to its close today - and celebrates the feast of “Our Lord, Jesus Christ, Universal King”. The feast celebrates the fact that, though earthly rulers come and go - and, even at the height of their power, rule over only a very small part of the created universe - Jesus’ reign is eternal and cosmic in its proportions.

It is a reign that is founded on the principles of justice and integrity - where those who live according to the values of the Kingdom will feel at home - and those who do not will find it an alien place.

The Son of Man is well aware of the differences between people - and also knows that how they have lived their lives shows more clearly the kind of person they are than anything they might say.

So, His criteria for separating people are based on what they did during the course of their lives.

Those who quietly got on with Kingdom living - feeding those who were hungry, clothing those who were naked - visiting those who were sick or in prison - these people were taken to one side and told that, in fact, they had been doing those things to Jesus Himself. This came as news to them!

Equally, those who had not done those things were told that when they had refused to do those things, they had been neglecting to do it to Him. This came as a surprise to them too!

The fact Jesus was pointing out to them was a fundamental rule of Kingdom living. We are the Body of Christ - and so, deeply united in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. What we do - one for another - heals and builds up the Body of Christ. What we do not do - one for another - weakens and diminishes it.

Jesus is a king who does not lord it over His people but invites them into the fullness of life that is His Life. Those who already live with that sense of mutual dependence will find this natural and delightful. Others, who see themselves as entirely laws unto themselves, would find this intolerable.

The choice is ours - Christ accepts it - to be Kingdom people - or to prefer to live outside it...

**What does it mean for me?**

*Which do you choose—*

- *to live in the Kingdom of our Lord, Jesus Christ—or not*

*How can you make your choice real?*

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**CATECHETICS – ENROLLMENTS - 2012**

Parents who wish to enroll their children  
 (From Government / Independent Schools)  
 in the Sacraments of

- Reconciliation* (Grd 3)
- Eucharist* (Grd 4)
- Confirmation* (Grd 6)



**Please note the following details:**

**Enrollment evening: St Brigid’s Church**

**When: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

**Time: 7.00pm**

**Enrollment for ALL SACRAMENTS must be finalized prior to the start of the program by Tuesday 7th February 2012**

**For further information contact:**

**St Brigid’s Parish Office 5428 2591**

**Robyn Angarano (Parish Facilitator) 0418 993 991**

**or go to our website:**

**www.st-brigids-gisborne.org.au**

**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:** Frank Murone  
**Offertory:** Shumack Family  
**Eucharist:** J. Allen & R. Angarano



### 9.30am Mass: St Patrick's

**Readers:** B. Collins & P. Bialobrzewski  
**Offertory:** To be chosen on the day  
**Eucharist:** P. & J. Bialobrzewski  
**Children's Liturgy:** K. Vandenberg & J. Baker



**Counters:** P. & J. White & L. O'Brien  
**Please keep both sides of envelopes together.**

### 8.00am Mass: St Ambrose's

**Welcomer:** Max McMahon  
**Readers:** Paul Lawry  
**Offertory:** To be chosen on the day  
**Eucharist:** Kath Saunders



### 11.00am Mass: St Brigid's

**Readers:** M. Barras & K. Sleigh  
**Offertory:** Lynne Piacentini  
**Eucharist:** C. Cribbes & D. Brassel  
**Children's Liturgy:** T. McCann & C. Spiers  
**Flowers:** Marie Clifford & Wendy Kays

### Macedon Ranges Food Bank

Please try and bring a food or grocery item to church each week and place in the box or basket at the door. They are used by the Kyneton Riverside church Food Bank for families in need. They are so grateful for what we provide but desperate for more donations.

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

### Open House Meeting traditional Christmas luncheon

(last one for 2011)

Next meeting: 25th November  
At: Seasons Restaurant  
Station Street  
Riddells Creek  
All Welcome



Ring Marg for Booking : 5428 1652

**VINNIES CHARITY CLOTHING BIN** IS NOW SITUATED BEHIND PARISH GARAGE. *All donations appreciated*

### HUMOUR FROM VACTICAN 11 (1962—1965)

*There was a young Bishop from Spain  
Who would not from speaking refrain;  
But he went much too fast  
From the first to the last,  
The rest found his Latin a strain.*

### 2012 Columban Calendars

Available at all of the Parish Church centres.  
Cost is \$8.00—please place money on the Poor Box.

### ROSARY

We invite you to pray the Living rosary on Tuesday mornings at 11am at St Brigid's Church. Bring your personal prayer requests.

*We welcome you to experience the PEACE given by this miraculous meditative prayer.*

### Weekday Masses: Tues 22nd Nov—Fri 25th Nov 2011

Tues: 5.00pm  
Wed: 9.15am  
Thur: 8.00am  
Frid: 9.00am at Holy Cross



Reconciliation & Spiritual Direction: Saturday 9.00 - 10.00am

### St Brigid's "Camino" Walk—the "Cross to Cross"

*(A message from the team)*

Many many thanks to all who contributed to the success of St Brigid's Camino Walk. Whether it was big or small, a walker or sponsor, even those who gave support in the background, every effort was much appreciated. Donations are still coming in: We will be able to give you a total figure in the next couple of weeks.

Thank you from the Columban Partnership Group

### Catholic Mission World Mission Day Appeal

*(22nd & 23rd October)*

Special collection totalled \$258.25

*Thank you for your contribution*

### Gisborne Carols by Candlelight

*This year's Carols by Candlelight will be held on Sunday 11th December 2011 at 7.30pm at the Gardiner Reserve in Gisborne.*



### New Rosters for 2012

Counters, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Children's Liturgy, Offertory procession and Flower arrangements rosters for 2012 are ready for pick up, either front or rear of church

These rosters begin 1st Sunday Advent 27/11/2011

Thank goodness for volunteers, your time and talent is much appreciated.

### Community Walk

You are invited

To celebrate the launch of the Macedon Ranges Healthy and Active People Initiative

**Where:** Dixon Field, Robertson St, Gisborne

**When:** Thursday 1 December at 9.15am

*For catering purposes and transport bookings, RSVP to Laura Garner by 28th November  
Tel: 5422 0337*

### St Brigid's Parish Weekly Thanksgiving

Total Amount Received \$1690.00

Total Amount Pledged \$2028.00

Presbytery Collection \$1037.20



*Thank you for your ongoing support through the Thanksgiving Program.  
May the Lord bless you all.*