



# Canberra Inner North Catholic Community

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## Acknowledgement of Country

*We Acknowledge the Ngunnawal people, as Traditional Owners of the land where we gather today and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.*

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# SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**CANBERRA CENTRAL inc:**  
**ST BRIGID'S** 2 Bancroft St  
Dickson ACT 2602

**ST PATRICK'S** 1 Donaldson St  
Braddon ACT 2612

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## Parish Safeguarding Commitment

Our Parishes are committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to, and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all of our thinking and action. This approach is to follow Jesus' command in Matthew 18:1-3.

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### Entrance Antiphon - Ps 30: 3-4

Be my protector, O God,  
a mighty stronghold to save me.  
For you are my rock, my stronghold!  
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

### First reading - Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart: he must live outside the camp.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 31(32):1-2,5,11

*I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven,  
whose sin is remitted.

O happy the man to whom the Lord  
imputes no guilt,  
in whose spirit is no guile.

*I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

But now I have acknowledged my sins;  
my guilt I did not hide.

I said: 'I will confess  
my offence to the Lord.'

And you, Lord, have forgiven  
the guilt of my sin.

*I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord,  
exult, you just!

O come, ring out your joy,  
all you upright of heart.

*I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.*

### Second reading - 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God;

Cont... just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation - Luke 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia!  
A great prophet has appeared among us;  
God has visited his people.  
Alleluia!

### Gospel - Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Communion Antiphon is Not recited when hymns are sung.**

### Communion Antiphon - Ps 77: 29-30

They ate and had their fill,  
and what they craved the Lord gave them;  
they were not disappointed in what they craved.

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## ASH WEDNESDAY– 14th February

### Mass Times

**St Patrick's (Braddon)**

12.30 pm

**St Thomas More (Campbell)**

10.00 am Liturgy

**St Brigid's (Dickson)**

9.00 am

**St Joseph's (O'Connor)**

8.00 am

10.00 School Mass

**Holy Rosary (Watson)**

10am School Mass

5.30pm

**ACU-Signadou Chapel (Watson)**

12pm– 2.30pm Building 302, 223 Antill St  
Watson

## Marriage Preparation Courses

Upcoming Marriage Preparation courses for engaged couples: **FOCCUS** - Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Feb 5-9pm plus a private follow up session at CatholicCare. **Evenings for the Engaged** - Sat 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Feb 9-3pm. **Engaged Encounter**- Sydney, Sat 24 & Sun 25. **Smart Loving** (online), 9 lessons, learn at your own pace when suits you. For more information contact marriage.preparation@cg.org.au To register go to www.marriagefamily.org.au **Enquiries:** Lara Kirk on lara.kirk@cg.org.au or Helena Zobec on **0405 440 463**

## GangGang

Twelve parishioners gathered at 'GangGang' on Thursday 25/1 to farewell Brother Francis Mc Kinnon before he left for North Adelaide to join the Dominican order there. Brother Francis had been a regular and popular attendee at our third Thursday gatherings at the cafe in Frencham place, Downer. He was active in the church serving on the altar; supporting Fr Tellis Mannes PP; and visitors to Blair Street; showing impressive culinary expertise; visiting the sick; and bringing parishioners to mass during the week and on Sundays. We shall miss his quiet, calm demeanour and wish him well. Our next morning tea will be Thursday 15/2 at 10-30am. Don't forget to bring credit card as cash not accepted. Do keep the third Thursday in March, the 21<sup>st</sup>, free for a special birthday celebration at GangGang.

## WATSON BLACKFRIARS MEDITATION GROUP

Meets on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm in the Watson Parish Centre. For all enquiries call John Jarvis 6296 2001 or email jjarivis1@bigpond.net.au

## CAN YOU ANSWER THIS QUESTION ?

Would the person who left the box of books outside the Parish Office at Watson, with a note saying they were for "Jim" please contact Jim on 0448 737 700.

## THE ARCHDIOCESAN CARING FOR CREATION MOVEMENT

We will open the year with prayers and Mass at 11am on Saturday, 10 February, at ANU in the chapel at John XXIII College, 51 Daley Road ANU. To be followed at noon by a light picnic lunch near the Sullivans Creek Road carpark. In association with ANU Chaplaincy for O-week. **All Inner North Parishioners welcome.** Enquiries: LaudatoSiACT@gmail.com or Roger Paul at rpaul2572@gmail.com.

## IF YOU HAVE ANY OLD PALMS

If you have any Palms from last year, could you please leave them at your Parish, by 11 February at the latest. We will be using them for Ash Wednesday this year.

## Parish Offices Opening Hours

**Watson Blackfriars** 9am-12.30pm Fridays  
**Campbell St Thomas More** 9am – 12.30pm Tuesdays  
**Dickson St Brigid's** 9am-12.30pm Mondays  
**O'Connor St Joseph's** 9am – 12.30pm Wednesdays

## SAVE THE DATE

### ST THOMAS MORE PARISH

Fr Emil's Farewell 25 Feb 10am Mass  
And morning tea after Mass– All welcome

### ST. THOMAS MORE FORUM

(A pastoral initiative of the Parish of St. Thomas More Campbell)  
Wednesday 20 March 2024 7.30 to 9pm  
Holy Faith Hall, 30 White Crescent, CAMPBELL  
Keynote Speaker: Greg Sheridan  
Foreign Editor– The Australian Newspaper  
Title "How Christianity Triumphs in a Newly Pagan Society"  
Bookings Open Now at  
Eventbrite <https://bit.ly/stmf-200324> or  
forum@sthomasmore.org.au or  
0416823447

## ST BRIGID 9:30 MASS CHOIR

Are you interested in singing or music? You are invited to join St Brigid choir on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays. Practice starts at 9:10am before mass.

All are welcomed.

Contact Ling at [lingwlyau@yahoo.com.hk](mailto:lingwlyau@yahoo.com.hk).

## CRAFT MORNINGS

If you are interested in joining in with lovely ladies for enjoyable conversation and lots of laughter, we have 2 craft groups in our Inner North Community. You would be most welcome to attend either group.

**Dickson Parish Centre** - will commence again 14 Feb and then fortnightly Wednesdays from 1pm. For more information call Mary Boyle on 0450 060 256

**Watson Parish Centre** - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of each month, from 12-4pm. For more information contact Pat Savas on 6248 0470

## LENTEN GROUP

You are invited to join a Lenten group which will open up the Sunday readings through commentary by six Insightful authors. Uniting these insights is the theme of building, in the face of contemporary divisiveness and polarisation, a vital and dynamic response of Christian harmony. The group will meet online for discussion and prayer, 7.30 – 8.30pm, starting on 12 February and finishing on 25 March. Sign-on sheets in the Holy Rosary Church foyer or contact Roger Paul at [rpaul2572@gmail.com](mailto:rpaul2572@gmail.com). \$8.95 for the booklet, *Living in Harmony*, to be used in the program. Payment to the parish office. (correct money required please).

If you are interested in a face-to-face Lenten group, please record your name on the corresponding sign-on sheet and whether you are willing to be a facilitator for the group. Efforts will be made to form such a group if there is sufficient interest.

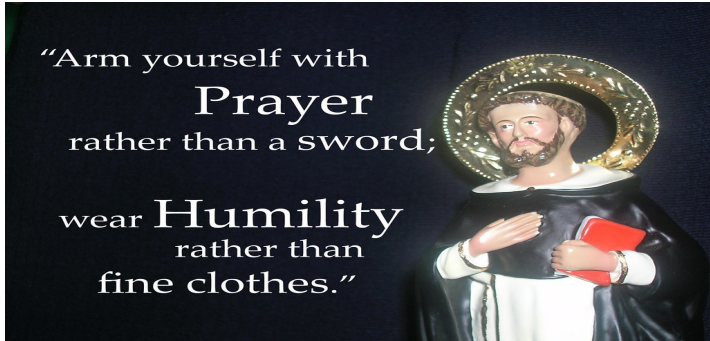


LENT 2024

WITH THE CATHOLIC GUY, BRUCE DOWNES

Lent is a time when we can grow closer to God and prepare our hearts for the true meaning of Easter. Be inspired. Be refreshed. Be renewed! For 40 days you will receive a short, practical and inspiring video in your inbox every morning to help you make this Lenten journey more powerful and prayerful. This program is FREE and you can sign up here:

<https://BruceDownes.org/Lent>



**OUR RECENTLY DECEASED**

Our recently Deceased: May they find peace and comfort in the embrace of the Lord.  
 Joan Percy, ( Mother of Fr Tony), David Ficken, Rowan Andrew, Shirley Dunn, Geraldine Conlon, Brian Mahoney, Margaret Byrne

**IN LOVING MEMORY**

Alvy Raymundo, Josie Simbulan, Jose Rico, Romeo Cabardo, Heather Pook, John Collett, Jack O'Brien, Alice McDonald

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRIEST & PARISH**

**Contribute to the First Collection.**

Account Name: Central Presbytery Fund  
 BSB: 062-786 - Bank Account: 000029248  
 Reference: Use your Parish Location to assist in correct allocation & Your Name (e.g. Campbell Smith)

**Planned Giving:** Planned Giving is a weekly, fortnightly or monthly contribution to the first and/or second collection via cash, direct Debit or credit card. By contributing set amounts regularly you help the parish to forecast and budget its ongoing expenses. If you are new to Planned Giving and would like more information, please contact the Parish Office.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Existing Planned Giving arrangements have not changed. If you have established a regular deduction, that will continue. For information, Planned Giving account details for each Parish follow. These can be used to set up new regular deductions.

**Canberra Central : A/C Name** Canberra Central Parish  
**BSB:** 062786 **A/C:** 000013150 **Ref:** Name & Giving Number

**Blackfriars: A/C Name:** Blackfriars Parish Watson  
**BSB:** 062786 **A/C:** 000013341 **Ref:** Name & Giving Number

**St Joseph's: A/C Name:** St Joseph's Parish  
**BSB:** 062 786 **A/C:** 000012798 **Reference:** Parish & Name

**St Thomas More:** A/C Name: St Thomas More Parish  
**BSB:** 062786 **A/C:** 000014869 **Ref:** Campbell/Surname

**PARISH BULLETIN - DEADLINE for notices is 4 pm TUESDAY**  
**Ph: 0416 823 447 email: innernorth@cg.org.au**

**In Your Prayers please remember those in our community who are ill:**

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Evelyn Matriano, Davide Verri, Bedelia delos Santos, Sabina - Mary Coles, Mary Pavey, Anne Corver, Sue King, Barbara Wilson, Una Bell, Philip Bailey, Peter Catlin, Veronica Cornelly, Rosa Maria Santos, Gloria Sibley, Beth Delos Santos, Fr Ellis Clifford, June Pollard, Philip Cruz, Maureen Blood, Awny El-Ghitany, Pamela Sandy, Una Ford, Robin Lees, Elizabeth Webster, Ann Moran, Colleen Brackett (& friend Jackie), Baby Remi Elliott, Tony Bandle, Clare Packer, Robyn Cross, Paul Thorpe, Joycelyn Maclean, & Kahren (daughter of Joycelyn), Mahsa Raoofian, Christopher Douglas, Kahren, Lyn Mowbray Lily Copeland, Neville Caulfield, Maggie McKeon, Alphonsa & Maria Bankovsky, Carmel Slammon, Carol - Jayne McManus, Mary

**WEEKDAY & SATURDAY MORNING MASSES**

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
St Patrick's (Braddon)		12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm	
St Thomas More's (Campbell)					10:00am*	
St Brigid's (Dickson)			9:00am	9:00am		9:00am
St Joseph's (O'Connor)		9:15am	8:00am	9:15am	9:15am	8:30am
Holy Rosary (Watson)		5:30pm	5:30pm	5:30pm	5:30pm	
ACU-Signadou (Watson)			12:00 noon**			

\* During school term, as advised when Classes attend.

\*\* Wednesdays during University Terms (Term 1: 26/2/24-29/5/24; Term 2: 29/7/34-28/10/24)

**SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY MASSES**

	Saturday Vigil Mass	Sunday Morning & Evening Masses				
		8:00am	8:30am	9:30am	10:00am	5:00pm
St Patrick's (Braddon)		8:00am			10:00am *	
St Thomas More's (Campbell)					10:00am	
St Brigid's (Dickson)	6:00pm			9:30am		5:00pm**
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	6:00pm		8:30am			
Holy Rosary (Watson)	5:00pm				10:00am	5:00pm
ACU-Signadou (Watson)						

\* German Mass

\*\* Vietnamese Mass (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays)

**ADORATION & SACRAMENTS**

	Reconciliation
St Patrick's (Braddon)	12:00pm - 12:30 Friday
St Brigid's (Dickson)	9:30am - 10:00am Saturday 5:30pm - 5:50pm Saturday
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	During Holy Hour 8:15am - 9:00am Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 5:30pm - 6:00pm Saturday
Holy Rosary (Watson)	4:00pm - 4:30pm Saturday
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
St Patrick's (Braddon)	
St Brigid's (Dickson)	9:30am - 8:00pm Wednesday
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	8:15am - 9:00am Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
Holy Rosary (Watson)	6:00pm - 7:00pm Friday
Pray the Rosary	
St Brigid's (Dickson)	8:30am Tuesday to Saturday
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	After morning Mass Tuesday, Wed (Cenacle), Thursday, Friday
Holy Rosary (Watson)	Before 10:00am Mass, 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays
Anointing of the Sick	
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	8:30am First Saturday of the month
St Thomas More (Campbell)	11:15am First Sunday of the month