



Canberra Inner North Catholic Community

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Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals: by Appointment contact the Parish Office

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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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



CANBERRA CENTRAL inc:

ST BRIGID'S 2 Bancroft St
Dickson ACT 2602

ST PATRICK'S 1 Donaldson St
Braddon ACT 2612

Fr Sebastian Luistro SSS
<http://cg.org.au/canberracentral>



ST THOMAS MORE PARISH

30 White Crescent
Campbell ACT 2612

Fr Anthony Riosa SSS

Website:

www.stthomasmore.org.au

Facebook:

[facebook.com/
st.thomasmore.campbell](https://facebook.com/st.thomasmore.campbell)



Parish Offices Opening Hours

Dickson St Brigid's 9am-12.30pm Mondays

Campbell St Thomas More 9am – 12.30pm Tuesdays

O'Connor St Joseph's 9am-12.30pm Wednesdays

Watson Blackfriars 9am-12.30pm Fridays



BLACKFRIARS PARISH

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Watson ACT
2602

Fr Renoir Oliver Jr SSS

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www.cg.org.au/watson

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Website:

[https://cgcatholic.org.au/
parishes/oconnor/](https://cgcatholic.org.au/parishes/oconnor/)

Facebook :

[www.facebook.com/
stjosephsoconnor](https://www.facebook.com/stjosephsoconnor)

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.

Enquiries or concerns please contact:

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- Maria Hicks (Manager)

Phone **02 6239 9806**

- Institute of Professional Standards &
Safeguarding (IPSS) ipss@cg.org.au





Entrance Antiphon - Ps 24: 15-16

My eyes are always on the Lord,
for he rescues my feet from the snare.
Turn to me and have mercy on me,
for I am alone and poor.

First reading - Exodus 20:1-17

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

'You shall have no gods except me.

'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it.

'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, nor your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it

sacred. 'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you.

'You shall not kill.

'You shall not commit adultery.

'You shall not steal.

'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. 'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 18(19):8-11

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple.

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

cont...The precepts of the Lord are right,
they gladden the heart.

The command of the Lord is clear,
it gives light to the eyes.

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.

The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just.

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

They are more to be desired than gold,
than the purest of gold
and sweeter are they than honey,
than honey from the comb.

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Second reading-1 Corinthians 1:22-25

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation - John 3:16

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel - John 2:13-25

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money-changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his Disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said. During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon is Not recited when hymns are sung.

Communion Antiphon -

The sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for her young:
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.

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ST JOSEPH'S IN O'CONNOR

First Friday each month commencing 1st of March 2024

Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration Vigil for the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, from 5pm to 10 pm at St Joseph's Parish Centre (next to the church). All welcome to stay or come and go at any time during the evening.

Amended Mass Times

Adoration during Holy Hour

8.15-9.00am Monday, Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

8.15-9.15 Tues, Wed, Thur, Fri

Stations of the Cross

Will be held on the Fridays of Lent at St Joseph's Church after the 9.15am mass. All are welcome.

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

SAVE THE DATE

Marriage Preparation Courses

Upcoming Marriage Preparation courses for engaged couples:

FOCCUS - Tues 9th April 5-9pm plus a private follow up session at CatholicCare.

SmartLoving – online, 9 lessons, learn at your own pace when suits you.

For more information or to register, go to www.marriagefamily.org.au Enquiries:

Text Helena Zobec on **0405 440 463**

14 MARCH | An Evening with Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP

Fr Timothy was Master of the Order of Preachers from 1992 to 2001. A member of the community at Blackfriars, Oxford UK, he is the author of several very popular books and an internationally reputed speaker and retreat-giver.

Date: Thursday 14 March 2024, **Place:** Merici College Wise Street Braddon **Time:** 5.30 -7.00pm

Free Tickets: <https://bit.ly/4blSurY>

Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP will also be speaking at Marist on 13 March. See <https://bit.ly/49h5sG3> for more info.

SAVE MORE DATES

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
041 6823447

ST BRIGID'S 9:30 MASS CHOIR

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

Contact Ling at 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 1.15pm. For more information call Mary Boyle on 0450 060 256

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

PLEASE DONATE TO PROJECT COMPASSION.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow for all future generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting

caritas.org.au/project-compassion
or by calling 1800 024 413.



With the support of Caritas Australia's local partner, Caritas Samoa, a water tank was installed at Leaia's home. She and her family now have a steady supply of clean drinking water at home. Next year, they will also have a toilet built, with the support of Caritas Samoa, which will further improve their health and living conditions. "We are very thankful and grateful for the water tank. It has helped us so much and made our daily life easier," Leaia said.

CANBERRA GOULBURN WOMENS TASKFORCE

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE INVOLVED?

We are experimenting with a more flexible model of involvement. You can help out for one event or in one particular way or dive into everything. You will receive a great welcome! We don't have venues for some events yet. If you would like to nominate your parish or other location get in touch at email cgwomen@outlook.com Blessings, Andrea Dean

OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Our recently Deceased: May they find peace and comfort in the embrace of the Lord.

Anna Minh Nguyen (mother of Don Nguyen),
Merv Neale, Joan Percy, (Mother of Fr Tony),
David Ficken, Rowan Andrew, Shirley Dunn,
Geraldine Conlon, Brian Mahoney

IN LOVING MEMORY

James Bergin , Christine Greenwood, Domenico and Catarina Barbaro, Kevin Nolan, Lirio Lukban, Silvio Rossi, Alvy Raymundo, Josie Simbulan, Jose Romeo Cabardo, Heather Pook, John Collett, Jack O'Brien, Alice McDonald

UNPACKING THE CREED

The next session of this enlightening program will be held at the St Joseph's Parish Hall, O'Connor at 7.30pm on Wednesday 13 March.

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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Judith Martin, 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, Iris Thorpe, Lyn Mowbray Lily Copeland, Neville Caulfield, Maggie McKeon, Alphonsa & Maria Bankovsky, Carmel Slammon, Carol - Jayne McManus, Mary, Christine Greenwood

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	9:00am	9:00am
St Joseph's (O'Connor)		9:15am	9:15am	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: 14/2/24-29/5/24; 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 (1st & 3rd 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, Wednesday, Thursday & 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)	8:00am - 8:00pm Wednesday
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	8:15am - 9:15am Tuesday, Wednesday, 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 st & 3 rd 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