



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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PALM SUNDAY



CANBERRA CENTRAL inc:
ST BRIGID'S 2 Bancroft St
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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

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 - Jn 12: 1, 12-13; Ps 23: 9-10

Six days before the Passover,
when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem,
the children ran to meet him;
in their hands they carried palm branches
and with a loud voice cried out:

*Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!*

O gates, lift high your heads;
grow higher, ancient doors.
Let him enter, the king of glory!
Who is this king of glory?
He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.

*Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!*

First reading - Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied, he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me.
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him if this is his friend.'

Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet
I can count every one of my bones.

They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.

O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me!

I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.
Revere him, Israel's sons.

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Second reading- Philippians 2: 6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God, but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are

2nd Reading cont: he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.

But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation - Philippians 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
Christ became obedient for us even to death,
dying on the cross.

Therefore God raised him on high
and gave him a name above all other names.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel - Mark 15:1-39

Key: N. Narrator. ✠ Jesus. O. Other single speaker. C. Crowd, or more than one speaker.

N. First thing in the morning, the chief priests together with the elders and scribes – in short, the whole Sanhedrin – had their plan ready. They had Jesus bound and took him away and handed him over to Pilate.

Pilate questioned him:

O. Are you the king of the Jews?

N. He answered,

✠ It is you who say it.

N. And the chief priests brought many accusations against him. Pilate questioned him again:

O. Have you no reply at all? See how many accusations they are bringing against you!

N. But, to Pilate's amazement, Jesus made no further reply.

At festival time Pilate used to release a prisoner for them, anyone they asked for. Now a man called Barabbas was then in prison with the rioters who had committed murder during the uprising. When the crowd went up and began to ask Pilate the customary favour, Pilate answered them

O. Do you want me to release for you the king of the Jews?

N. For he realised it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. The chief priests, however, had incited the crowd to demand that he should release Barabbas for them instead. Then Pilate spoke again:

O. But in that case, what am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?

N. They shouted back,

C. Crucify him!

N. Pilate asked them,

O. Why? What harm has he done?

N. But they shouted all the louder,

C. Crucify him!

N. So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd, released Barabbas for them and, having ordered Jesus to be scourged, handed him over to be crucified.

The soldiers led him away to the inner part of the palace, that is, the Praetorium, and called the whole cohort together. They dressed him up in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and put it on him. And they began saluting him,

C. Hail, king of the Jews!

N. They struck his head with a reed and spat on him; and they went down on their knees to do him homage. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the purple and dressed him in his own clothes.

They enlisted a passer-by, Simon of Cyrene, father of Alexander and Rufus, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross. They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means the place of the skull.

Gospel cont: They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he refused it. Then they crucified him, and shared out his clothing, casting lots to decide what each should get. It was the third hour when they crucified him. The inscription giving the charge against him read: 'The King of the Jews.' And they crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left.

The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said,

C. Aha! So you would destroy the Temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself: come down from the cross!

N. The chief priests and the scribes mocked him among themselves in the same way. They said,

C. He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the king of Israel, come down from the cross now, for us to see it and believe.

N. Even those who were crucified with him taunted him.

When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice,

✠ Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?

N. which means, 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?' When some of those who stood by heard this, they said

C. Listen, he is calling on Elijah.

N. Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink, saying:

O. Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.

N. But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

All kneel and pause for a moment.

And the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said,

O. In truth this man was a son of God.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon is Not recited when hymns are sung.

Communion Antiphon - Mt 26: 42

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

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BAPTISMS

Louis and Siara Damyon

who will be baptised at St Thomas More's this weekend and

Edgar, Luois and Zephi Champness

and

Freja and Edith Lal

who will be baptised this weekend at St Joseph's.

May their lives be filled with God's peace,
and their hearts with God's love,
on their Baptism day and always.



WATSON - VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED

If you wish to become an altar server (open to boys and girls after their First Communion), Special Minister of the Eucharist or Acolyte please complete a yellow card on tables at exits to the church this weekend and place it in the boxes provided. Training will be provided. Please also complete the card if you wish to contribute your time and talents in other ways. Thanks!

ST THOMAS MORE IN CAMPBELL

WEEKDAY MASS WITH THE SCHOOL

Please join us for mass with our school community on 1st and 3rd Friday's at 11.45am

ST THOMAS MORE 60TH ANNIVERSARY

We are looking for some photos from the Parish to put together a historic display. If you have any items, photos, or documents you would like to share, please speak with Shannon Evans after the St Thomas More's 10am Sunday Mass, or contact via @ shanny9619@gmail.com

INNER NORTH—SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

If you are wanting sacraments for your child and they are not in a Catholic School environment, please contact the Inner North Parish Office by email innernorth@cq.org.au to request this year's schedule. Please include the name of your parish in the subject line. Thank you.



PLS RETURN PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES.

To ensure that Envelopes and Boxes with donations to Project Compassion can be processed as soon as Possible, please return them this weekend or as soon as possible this week by handing into the Sacristy or Office.

ST JOSEPH'S IN O'CONNOR

St Joseph's Feast Day Thank You ...

To all the parishioners involved in the St Joseph Feast day Adoration and Masses last week. The Masses and Holy Hours were very uplifting and many prayers were offered for peace in our world and for the needs of parishioners of the Inner North parishes. The winner of the St Joseph's raffle was Fiona McKenna.

Thanks to everyone involved in the working bee, to those who bought tickets in the raffle and those who prepared our beautiful church for Holy Week.

Parishioners of St Joseph's are invited to bring flowers to venerate the crucifix with on Good Friday. God bless us.

menALIVE WEEKEND

25-26 May — Mary Help of Christians, PEARCE.

The purpose of menALIVE is to bring men together, to renew their faith in God and encourage them to be an active force within the Church.

See the flyers in church foyers for more detail.

CRAFT AFTERNOONS

If you are interested in joining lovely ladies for enjoyable conversation and lots of laughter, we have 2 craft groups in our Inner North Community:

Dickson Parish Centre - fortnightly Wednesdays from 1.15pm. For more info call Mary Boyle on 0450 060 256

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

ARCH-DIOCESE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

Upcoming Marriage Preparation courses for engaged couples: *FOCCUS* - Tues 9th April 5-9pm plus a private follow up session at Marymead CatholicCare. *Engaged Encounter*- Sydney, Sat 18 & Sun 19 May. *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**

Please note, there will be no further programs available until June 2024.

CENTRAL CANBERRA YOUTH GROUP

Canberra Central Youth Group
Saturday 6th April (Week 9) 7pm, **St Brigid's Church Hall**
All high school aged students welcome!

OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

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

Arch-Bishop Frank Carroll, Bob Witherden, Domenico Perre, Ann Moran, Mariannina Giusto (Emilia Ciampas' nonna), Marie Docherty (sister of Fr Michael Burke), Anna Minh Nguyen (mother of Don Nguyen)

IN LOVING MEMORY

Helen Olsen, Noel Falk, Christine Greenwood, Domenico and Catarina Barbaro, Kevin Nolan, Lirio Lukban, Silvio Rossi, Alvy Raymundo, Josie Simbulan,

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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Joseph Nguyen, Christine Nguyen, 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, Colleen Brackett (& friend Jackie), Baby Remi Elliott, Tony Bandle, Clare Packer, Robyn Cross, Paul Thorpe, Kahren (daughter of Joycelyn), Mahsa Raoofian, Iris Thorpe, Lyn Mowbray, Lily Copeland, Neville Caulfield, Maggie McKeon, Alphonsa & Maria Bankovsky, Carmel Slammon, 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	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