

# Catholic Parish of Blackiriars



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## VERITAS



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HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

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**Mass Times**

Monday - NO Mass

**Tuesday & Thursday**  
**8.00am**

Wednesday & Friday  
5:30pm

Saturday - 9:00am

Vigil - 5:pm

Sunday - 8:00am, 10:00am,  
5:00pm

**Reconciliation**

Saturday  
4pm-4.45pm

**Adoration - Holy Hour**

Tuesday 12 Noon - 1:00pm

**Pray the Rosary**

Before 10am Mass on Sundays

# Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



# sent out

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## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

### Entrance Antiphon - Cf. Ps 47: 10-11

Your merciful love, O God,  
we have received in the midst of your temple.  
Your praise, O God, like your name,  
reaches the ends of the earth;  
your right hand is filled with saving justice.

## FIRST READING

### First reading - Isaiah 66:10-14

#### A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Rejoice, Jerusalem, be glad for her, all you who love her!

Rejoice, rejoice for her, all you who mourned her!  
That you may be suckled, filled, from her consoling breast, that you may savour with delight her glorious breasts.

For thus says the Lord: Now towards her I send flowing peace, like a river, and like a stream in spite the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurslings be carried and fondled in her lap. Like a son comforted by his mother will I comfort you. And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.

At the sight your heart will rejoice, and your bones flourish like the grass. To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

### Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 65(66):1-7,16,20

*Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.*

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,

O sing to the glory of his name.

O render him glorious praise.

Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!

'Before you all the earth shall bow;

shall sing to you, sing to your name!'

Come and see the works of God,

tremendous his deeds among men.

He turned the sea into dry land,  
they passed through the river dry-shod.

Let our joy then be in him;

he rules for ever by his might.

Come and hear, all who fear God.

I will tell what he did for my soul:

Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer  
nor withhold his love from me.

*Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.*

## SECOND READING

### Second reading - Galatians 6:14-18

#### A reading from St Paul to the Galatians

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and

**Cont...**mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

### Gospel Acclamation - Colossians 3:15a,16a

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts,  
and the fullness of his message live within you.

Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

### Gospel - Luke 10:1-12,17-20

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road.

'Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house.

'Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have

given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

### Communion Antiphon - Ps 33: 9

Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

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The readings on Sunday have resonance with two important Australian events, which also begin on 3 July. As the scripture reflection for this week says 'We are called and sent to bring the deep peace of the kingdom of God into the world'.

On Sunday the second assembly of the Plenary Council begins, as does NAIDOC Week. Let us pray the Holy Spirit graces us with its presence to work through differing expectations, divisions and hurts so the way to peace and healing is achieved.

## THE HARVEST IS RICH



The recent Australian Bureau of Statistics census heralds more bad news for Christianity in our country. For the first time Christianity now is sliding towards minority status with only 43% of people identifying as Christian, 20% identifying as Catholic. For the first time our country

can no longer be described as a "Christian" country, we are for good, or ill, a country of non-believers, agnostics and probably atheists. You will be happy to learn however that both Hinduism and Islam are on the rise! So what do we do as Christians to spread the gospel? The Church talks a lot about evangelisation, but I am yet to see any concerted plan to really put this into practice. And I think that is the problem, evangelisation can never be some concerted programme we all take up but rather evangelisation must be what we do with the way we live our lives.

True evangelisation comes through us Catholics being who we are supposed to be. We must be saints, plain and simple. We have to be consistent when it comes to living our lives in accordance with our beliefs. What good is it to come to Mass and mouth the Our Father, saying "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us" and never reconcile with the grouchy mother-in-law? What good is it to receive Holy Communion, that is Christ himself, the fullness of charity, and then leave the church criticising your neighbour to a friend, or make judgemental comments about others based on little to no facts? What good is it to believe Jesus is the way, the truth and the life and never pray to him, or pray only in dire need? What good is it to talk about the poor but never help them...and so on.

To be Christian though is to be different from the society we live in. Our Catholic faith strongly holds a number of beliefs society has abandoned, concepts such as the right to life from conception to natural death and the sanctity of marriage as taught in the scriptures are ideas society has challenged and abandoned. Christianity historically has always been countercultural and our adoption of the zeitgeist or the ideas of the age will soon see the Church become irrelevant. The church of the martyrs like Peter and Paul whom we celebrated this week championed a belief which was not quickly embraced by the society in which it was preached but later their legacy changed the world.

Our evangelising however must come, not from knocking on the doors of people's houses, but knocking on the doors of people's hearts. **It was the great Indian patriot mahatma Ghandi who once quipped: would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians living out what they profess to believe.'**

**Cont...**it is up to us to live our faith unashamedly and with the consistency which is demand of us by the gospel. There is nothing more off putting to non-believers as Christians who do not put into practice what they preach even if our contemporaries disagree with us.

Our faith lives must be authentic then if they are to be attractive to those who do not find the presence of God in their lives. Very few people come to faith by preaching through words, most come to faith through the preaching we do with our lives, it was not for nothing that St Francis of Assisi taught this famous dictum: **"by all means preach, and sometimes use words!"**

So let us pray in this Eucharist for ourselves, labourers who are trying to put in a hard day's work in the harvest. Let us pray for the gift of faith, but let us also call upon our blessed Lord, his blessed Mother and all the saints to help us to be true lights to the world and true salt of the earth so that the good news may be heard by all and that many may come to believe that Jesus Christ is lord.

God love you all. You're all in my prayers.  
Fr Mannes OP

## PUSHING OUT THE BOUNDARIES

'In today's Gospel there is a sense of movement, of pushing out the boundaries of those to whom the good news of Jesus has been preached, a strong sense of mission. Don't carry any luggage, and don't stop to gossip on the road. Concentrate on the essential, the preaching of the good news, so that as many people as possible have the chance to hear and accept it. 'You get much the same picture with St Paul. He often did not stay long in any one place. But it is clear that the preaching of the good news was one thing, and the building up and consolidating of the communities was another. He was concerned for both, but his overriding passion was for the preaching. 'The Church as a whole has this double task of mission and maintenance. But we can all ask ourselves whether our lives as Christians do reflect the emphasis that Jesus and Paul put on mission: the spreading of the Good News of the Kingdom in ways that make sense not just to ourselves but to those we live alongside, people whose culture and assumptions may well be very different from our own.'

*Excerpt from a homily by Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP*

## ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLAND SUNDAY

Healing is made real when people come together.

Today we acknowledge that God has been walking with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, making His Presence known through continuous living Culture over many thousands of years.

We pray in thanksgiving for these ancient people who have enriched and sustained our continent over all that time. We praise God for the people who nurtured the land here in our Parish that we call home.



## ACU IN COLLABORATION WITH ST THOMAS MORE FORUM

**Mary Eberstadt at Parliament House—Monday 24 October 2022 | 12 – 2.30pm - Limited Seating Book Early Online**  
**Bookings:** <https://bit.ly/maryeberstadt> - **What are the roots of today's political rage?**

Democracy is facing new challenges in today's society from radical and extremist movements such as identity politics, QAnon, white nationalism and others. Celebrated essayist and novelist Mary Eberstadt traces these movements to their common denominator, which she argues lies in the collapse of family and faith. As Panula Chair in Christian Culture at the Catholic Information Center and a senior research fellow at the Faith and Reason Institute, Mary Eberstadt draws on the situation in the United States, where she lives and works, to offer insights on Australian politics.

**Venue:** Parliament House, Canberra ACT 2600 **Cost:** \$95 plus booking fee  
Includes a two-course lunch with wine and a copy of Mary Eberstadt's *How the West Really Lost God*.

### THE ESSENTIAL KEY

We know as Christians that the most effective response to the ills of the world is ours to make, the duty to seek justice and equality resides with each of us. Here, in the painfully slow changing of our own lives and in the agony of living out our vocations, lies the essential key to a more decent and more human world.

Excerpt Gerald Darring <http://liturgy.slu.edu/>

### TRIVIA NIGHT

Calvary Auxiliary Public Hospital Bruce is holding a Trivia Night on **Thursday 21st July 2022**, 6.30 for 7pm start, at the Canberra Labor Club Belconnen. Tickets are \$20 per head, payable at the door, cash or EFTPOS. To pre-book a table of 10 contact Daphne on 0407835846. Theme for dress/costume is any cartoon character/Disney/Frozen etc. There will be a front door raffle, best costume prize, best dressed table prize, lucky door prizes and more. All proceeds go towards the purchase of equipment for the care and comfort of Calvary Public Hospital patients and staff. So gather your friends for a night of friendship, fun and a good laugh!

### ST DOMINIC GARDEN

Based on a proposal initially discussed with Fr Kieran, Fr Mannes has approved a project to establish a garden in honour of St Dominic and incorporating a remembrance wall in the Church grounds over the next 16 months. The garden will be created in time for the Parish's 60th anniversary in October 2023. The approved concept plan and a project brief is on display in the church foyer. Fundraising is planned to offset costs and details will be provided closer to each event. For further details to the project, please contact Jacquie - Parish Office on 6248 5925 /email [watson@cg.org.au](mailto:watson@cg.org.au) . To make an online donation please use the Parish banking details below - Reference GARDEN

### DONATIONS TO PARISH & PRIESTS

**Parish details** to contribute to the Planned Giving.  
Bank details – Account Name: Blackfriars Parish Watson  
BSB: 062786 - A/C : 000013341 - Reference: Name

**Priests details** to contribute to the First Collection.  
Bank Details – Account Name: Dominican Fathers Watson  
BSB: 083 347 - A/C: 97 310 5044 - Reference: Name -  
Donation

## PRAYERS

In Your Prayers please remember those in our community who are ill: Greg O'Neill, Ruth Bourke, Frank Zobec, Mary Martin, Edith Jensen, Anne Corver, Barbara Wilson, Veronica & Paul Cornelly, Mimma Gia, Rosa Maria Santos, Beth Delos Santos, Ursula Ramsay, Philip Bailey, Peter Catlin, Fr Ellis Clifford, Joe Schimizzi, June Pollard, Awny El-Ghitany, Mary Lou Pentony, Elizabeth Webster, Terry Stephens, Pamela Sandy, Maureen Blood, Eddie Pook, Patricia Zorzi, Sue King, Anthony Parsonage, Neville Caulfield, Maggie McKeon, Fr Rafael Cabezon

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Our recently Deceased: May they find peace and comfort in the embrace of the Lord.  
Gwen Gleeson, Bill Tanner, John Wyatt, Rod Cooper

## IN LOVING MEMORY

Harry Gaudencio, Victoria Gaudencio, Margaret Phillips, Richard Gaudencio, Cynthia Robinson, Ozzie Phillips, Daphne La'Porte, Ernest La'Porte, Richard La'Porte, Iris La'Porte, Alice Phillips, Simon La'Porte, Rosy La'Porte, Josephine Gaudencio, Kenneth Tully, Mary Cesary, John Baptist Gaudencio, Julian Hitchcock, Mother Aime, Queenie Concesso, Olinda La'Porte, Christine Kleeberg, Bishop Alan deLastic, Vera Fernandez, Ralph Myers, Oswald Beale, illicent Gaudencio, David Shepherd, Alan La'Porte, Marjorie La'Porte, Margery Gaynor, Dorothy Alloy, Brian Fitzgerald, Bro. Oswald Ballantyne, Stanley Rowe, Felix Fernandez, Viviane Lynda Ruiz, Hilda Gaudencio, Cedric Spanos, Charles Gaudencio, Edna Gaudencio, Bruce Unger, Florence Gaudencio, Margaret Gaudencio, Vanda Godfrey, Lena Wilson, Br. Rod Parton, Glen Scott, Patrick Rowe, Fr. Jordan Perry

**BIBLE STUDY** Verbum: Bible study for Young Adults (18-35) Monday nights at 6pm (except public holidays) in the Parish Centre a group of young adults from around North Canberra come to study the scriptures and pray. Currently the group is looking at St Paul's Letter to the Galatians.

**PRAY THE ROSARY** Sunday Mornings prior to 10.00am Mass the Rosary will be recited. Please join in.

**HOLY MARY MOTHER OF GOD PRAYER GROUP** meets 2.00pm 1st, 2nd & 4th Thursdays in the Parish Centre. Contact the Office for information.

**CRAFT GROUP** meets noon - 4.00pm in the Parish Centre on Wednesdays.

**DOMINICAN LIBRARY** will open **Saturday** mornings, 9.30am - 12.00 noon in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

**BLACKFRIARS MEDITATION GROUP** meets on Thursday evenings in the 7.30pm Parish Centre. Enquiries John Jarvis 6296 2001 or Michael Flynn 6257 1038 - [www.wccm.org](http://www.wccm.org)

**WEEKLY READER FORMATION** - Formation sessions are on Wednesday evenings. These sessions provide reflection on the Scripture readings for the following Sunday. All parishioners are invited. - Meet in the church Office

### ROSTER 9 / 10 July

**Saturday 5.00pm** - Acolyte - D. Gauchi  
Reader - K. Markcrow, M. Kraaz  
**Sunday 8.00am** - Acolyte - K. Linard  
Reader - M. Falk, T. Klekner  
**Sunday 10.00am** - Acolyte - R. Tanzer  
Reader - J. Cooke, C. Bergin  
**Sunday 5.00pm** - Acolyte - S. Sedgwick  
Reader - J. Schwinghamer