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VERITAS



HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

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Mass Times
Week Day
Monday - NO Mass
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
& Friday
5:30pm

Weekend
Saturday - Vigil - 5:pm
Sunday - 10:00am & 5:00pm

Reconciliation
Saturday
4pm - 4.45pm

Adoration - Holy Hour
Friday's 6pm - 7pm

Pray the Rosary
Before 10am Mass on Sundays

ACU MASS - 12pm Wednesday
ACU Signadou Chapel
All Welcome

**If you are in Urgent need of a Priest
out of office hours call - 6248 8253**

Feast of St Dominic



PARISH BULLETIN - DEADLINE for notices is

NOON TUESDAY

Please contact the office Ph. 6248 5925
or Email: watson@cg.org.au



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Entrance Antiphon - Cf Sirach 15:5

In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth,
and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom
and understanding

FIRST READING

First Reading - Isaiah 52:7-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of one who brings good news, who heralds peace, who brings happiness, who proclaims salvation, and tells Zion: 'Your God is king!' Listen! Your watchmen raise their voices, they shout for joy together, for they see the Lord face to face, as he returns to Zion. Break into shouts of joy together, you ruins of Jerusalem. The Lord bares his holy arm in the sight of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 32(33):1,12,18-20,22

Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

O sing a new song to the Lord,
Sing to the lord, all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name.

Proclaim his help day by day,
tell among the nations his glory
and his wonders among all the people.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
give the Lord glory and power,
give the Lord the glory of his name.

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him .
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'

Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

SECOND READING

Second Reading - 2 Timothy 4:1-8

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy

Before God and before Christ Jesus is to be the judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and the intention of teaching. The time is sure to come when, far from being content with sound teaching, people will be avid for the latest novelty and collect themselves a whole series of teachers according to their own tastes; and then, instead of listening to the truth, they will turn to myths. Be careful always to choose the right course; be brave under; make the preaching of the Good News your life's work, in thoroughgoing service. As for me, my life is already being poured away like a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have found the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me of that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing,

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Gospel Acclamation - Luke 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Lord has sent me to bring Good news to the poor
and freedom to captives.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Gospel – Matthew 5:13-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works they may give praise to your Father in heaven.

Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish but to complete them.

I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth disappear, not on dot, not one little stroke, shall disappear from the Law until its purpose is achieved. Therefore, the man who infringes even one of the least of these commandments and teaches other to do the same will be considered the least in the kingdom of heaven: but the man who keeps them and teaches will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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

Communion Antiphon - Luke 12:42

This is the steward, faithful and prudent,
whom the Lord set over his household
to give them their allowance of food
at the proper time.

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ST DOMINIC AND CASUAL EVANGELISATION



One of the more kitsch ideas regarding a vocations pamphlet our Dominican province used for a few years was the line " It all started in a pub..."

What this rather intriguing but a bit weird phrase was meant to provoke was, well, what was started in a pub? The answer being the Dominican Order.

In my years in the Order there have been numerous friars who, let's say, enjoyed a refreshment or three at the pub, but the more interesting thing is that St Dominic was willing to muck in, have a few ales, and enter into life changing conversations with all and sundry.

Recently I was reading an article about Dominic the conversationalist. St Dominic's gift was the art of gentle conversation. Funnily enough, the writer of the article explains, we have no records of Dominic's preaching, as in no written sermons. Now perhaps Dominic never wrote

Cont...his sermon's, maybe they were memorised, but that wasn't the norm in the thirteenth century, a goodly number of Dominic's contemporaries did write their sermons. What Dominic was known for was his affability and chattiness, it was in these moments of intimate encounter that the saint preached his finest sermons.

In his treatise on preaching the fifth Master of the Dominican Order, Humbert of Romans lamented that:

"There are some preachers who focus all their energy on sermons, he says, but "in their ordinary conversations they never say an edifying word, which is greatly to be deplored"

This was not the case with St Dominic. By crafting the art of gentle conversation Dominic really employed the ministry of casual evangelisation. The saint did this not by scientifically distilling doctrine or thumping the table with dogmas, but by parables, anecdotes and memorable stories.

Blessed Jordan of Saxony, Dominic's successor, remarked of his predecessor:

No matter where he happened to be, whether on a journey with his companions or in the house of a stranger, or even in the presence of princes, prelates, or other dignitaries, his conversation was always edifying and abounded with stories and anecdotes which would draw his hearers toward love for Christ and away from love of the world. At all times his words and his works proclaimed him a man of the Gospel. During the day, none was more affable, none more pleasant to his brethren or associates.

It was, as it were, that Dominic followed the counsel of St Paul in his letter to the Colossians: "Whatever you are about, in word and action alike, invoke always the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, offering your thanks to God the Father through him." (Col: 3:17).

Dominic's manner of preaching the gospel was not restricted to formal preaching then but by personal encounters with those who were on the margins, those who were confused, those who were sad, those who were deciding what to do with their lives.

Irish Dominican father Connor McDonough writes of the chatty St Dominic:

In Rome, we're told, Dominic would go around the outskirts of the city to visit the shut-ins, to chat with them. In Bologna, a university town, he would visit student residences to chat with students there. And when he met a young woman named Diana D'andalo, discerning her religious vocation, we're told he had long conversations with her. Very few stories come down to us, in fact, of St Dominic's formal preaching, but we hear a lot about him in conversational mode, poised to strike with the well-directed arrow of the Word.

The most famous of all his conversations is, of course, the one that took place with an innkeeper in Toulouse, long before the Order was founded. Dominic discovered that his innkeeper was an Albigensian heretic. Blessed Jordan tells us that Dominic spent the entire night "ferverly exhorting and zealously arguing with" the heretical innkeeper, who, "no longer able to resist the wisdom and the spirit that spoke, returned by God's grace to the true faith". This is Dominic in attack mode, but consider this: the innkeeper could very easily have left the conversation at any point. Dominic's discourse – and Dominic himself – must have been attractive, charming, and respectful in order to keep that innkeeper up all night. It wasn't a tongue-lashing; it was a conversation.

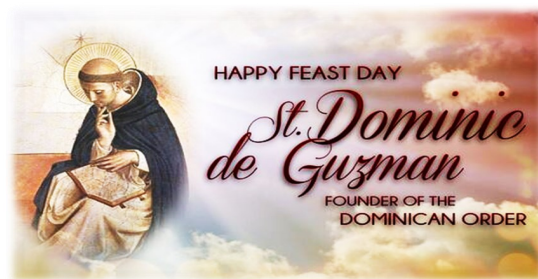
The art then of casual evangelisation, as evidenced in the

Cont...life of St Dominic, is an example for us as we, in our own way, spread the gospel.

We too can evangelise by

our own approach, casually, not formally, with our hearts and not just with our minds. Let us pray that the Dominican charism of casual chatty evangelisation can take root in our own lives so we too can preach the "unsearchable riches of Christ" (Eph 3:8)

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



FR RAFAEL CABEZON OP

Dear Friends,

As you may know by now our dear Fr Rafael passed away peacefully last Saturday night (22nd July) at Morshead Manor Nursing Home in Lyneham. Fr Rafael had been visited the day before by Fr Kevin and Br Francis and they conducted the last rites for him in my absence. Fr Rafael's faithful friend Willy San Martin and his family were with Fr Rafael when he passed away and we thank Willy for his kindness and constant support in Fr Rafael's time of sickness, truly heroic.



Regarding the funeral arrangements I would like to draw your attention to the following events:

August 3rd 6:15pm-7:15pm Vigil for Fr Rafael in the Church.
The Rosary will be recited and other prayers. Please be mindful that the casket will be open.

August 4th 10am, Requiem Mass to be celebrated by the Prior Provincial, Very Rev Fr Dominic Murphy OP and concelebrating Dominican Priests and Diocesan Priests. The Requiem will be followed by a private cremation. Fr Rafael's ashes will be interred at the Dominican plot in Woden Cemetery at a later date. Livestream link: <https://attnd.com.au/rafael-cabezon>

Refreshments will follow on after the Mass in the Parish Centre.

Blessings on you all!

Fr Mannes

Note: The office will be closed Friday morning.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

15th August
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
School Mass - 10.00am
Mass - 6.00pm

SPIRITUALITY AND ELDER ABUSE

Wednesday, 16 August, 3.00-5.00pm

Don't Miss Our Webinar on Elder Abuse: Understanding and Addressing the Hidden Crisis - 3-5pm, 16 August. For details of our other events, please see our website at <https://about.csu.edu.au/community/accc/about/latest-news-assets/2023/caps-continuing-education-sessions-for-2023>

DOMINICAN FATHERS SICKNESS & RETIREMENT

The Dominican Fathers Sickness & Retirement Fund Appeal will be held on 19 & 20 August. Envelopes will be provided for donations which should be placed in the 1st Collection boxes. DO NOT POST.

If you prefer to donate electronically PLEASE use the Parish Banking details:-

Account Name: Blackfriars Parish Watson, BSB: 062 786 A/C : 000013341 - Reference: DF S and R

If you are donating electronically and would like a receipt please make sure the Office has your details to send a receipt.

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CANBERRA & GOULBURN WOMEN'S TASKFORCE

The Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn Women's Taskforce 'Save the Date'.

The Women's Taskforce will again hold a fund raising dinner on Friday 27/10/23 at the Southern Cross club in Woden from 6.30pm-10pm. Cost to be determined. A speaker for the evening to be confirmed.

Please take and read our weekly bulletin for updates and information on this forthcoming event.

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT DINNER

Next Vocations discernment dinner on Thursday 10 August at Queanbeyan presbytery: 5:30pm Mass, 6pm Confessions & Adoration, 6:45 dinner, 7:45 Vocations discussion & 8:30 conclude with Night Prayer. For young men considering a call to the priesthood. To rsvp contact Fr Josh josh.scott@cg.org.au or Fr Emil 0414523036.

A TASTE OF ITALY

On behalf of all parishioners and spouses who attended Saturday 22/7 'A taste of Italy' I would like to congratulate the Italian community of our parish on a wonderful presentation of their cuisine and wine. Many thanks to Jacquie and Joe, those who prepared the three course meal, Kay who assisted with the raffle and those who helped in any way. Especial thanks to Richard for his expertise of wine tasting and selling which added to the flavour of a most enjoyable evening. Grazie

The ladies providing the food made a lovely three course spread of a taste of Italy. Thank you to Cath Barbaro, Flora Ippoliti, Kathy Turrise, Mimmi Musolino, Irene B and Jacquie for the food and Joe Cortese for his help. Thank you also to Richard Tanzer for a great selection of wine to compliment the food. It was so good to see so many people enjoy the food and company. A great Parish dinner.



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. Details – Account Name: Dominican Fathers Watson BSB: 083 347 Account number: 97 310 5044 Reference: Your Name - Donation

PRAYERS

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

Mary Martin, Anne Corver, Barbara Wilson, Mimma Gia, Philip Bailey, Veronica Cornelly, Rosa Maria Santos, Peter Catlin, Beth Delos Santos, Ursula Ramsay, Sue King, Fr Ellis Clifford, Joe Schimizzi, June Pollard, Awny El-Ghitany, Pamela Sandy, Elizabeth Webster, Una Ford, Terry Stephens, Maureen Blood, Una Bell, Lily Copeland, Neville Caulfield, Maggie McKeon, Maria Bankovsky, Carmel Slammon, Brian & Suzanne Brown,

RECENTLY DECEASED

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

Fr Rafael Cabezon OP, Marie Rheinberger, Katie Tuite, Gil Rodriguez, Robert Hackett, Fred Rumble

IN LOVING MEMORY

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

CRAFT GROUP meets noon - 4.00pm in the Parish Centre on Wednesdays. Contact the office for details.

DOMINICAN LIBRARY will open **Saturday** mornings, 10.30am - 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 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.

HOLY ROSARY WOMEN'S FAITH CIRCLE The Holy Rosary Women's Faith Circle returns on Thursdays. Please join us as we share life, break open the word, pray for and with each other. Contact Emily at emilykathrynhall@gmail.com for further information.

VERBUM BIBLE STUDY FOR YOUNG ADULTS 18-35

Bible Study had restarted. Text Fr Mannes for details on 0414 396 532

ROSTER 5 / 6 August

Saturday 5.00pm - Acolyte - M. Tran / D. Gauci
Reader - C. Barbaro, M. Dawes

Sunday 10.00am - Acolyte - R. Tanzer
Reader - P. McDonald
Computer - J. Cortese

Sunday 5.00pm - Acolyte - S. Sedgwick
Reader - M. Proctor
Computer - C. Bailey

MADE FOR MORE THAN THIS

Free online event. 17 August at 7.30pm
Join Fr Chris Ryan MGL, and an exciting panel of guests for a wide ranging conversation about the powerful role lay people can play in the Church's Mission.

Register for this free event

[Aretecentre.org](https://www.aretecentre.org)

