

CANBERRA CENTRAL PARISH

First Sunday of Lent

26 February 2023

St Brigid's
Cnr Bancroft & Wilshire Sts, Dickson

St Patrick's
Cnr Donaldson & Cooyong Sts, Braddon

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Parish Office Hours

Wed 9.30 –4.00pm,
Fri 1.00 –4.00pm

MASS TIMES

Saturday

6:00pm St Brigid's

Sunday

8:00am St Patrick's

9:30am St Brigid's

10:00am German Mass, St Patrick's

5.00pm Vietnamese Mass, St Brigid's (odd Sun's)

Weekday Masses (see weekly updates below)

Tuesday to Saturday: 9:00am (St Brigid's)

Tuesday to Friday: 12:30pm (St Patrick's)

Goodwin Village Ainslie

Nursing Home: next Mass Tues 21st March

10.30am ILUs: next Mass TBA

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Brigid's Dickson

Saturday

9:30am-10:00am

5:30-5:50pm (before Vigil Mass)

St Patrick's, Braddon: Friday 12.00 noon

Pray the Rosary

Tuesday to Saturday 8:35am St Brigid's Church

Please Note: No 9am Mass Tues & Friday (only a liturgy) at Dickson until further notice. There is a 9.15am at O'Connor and 5.30pm at Watson on Tuesday and Fridays. Next Tues Mass on 7 March



'Christ in the Wilderness' (1872)

Entrance Antiphon

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
I will deliver him and give him glory,
I will grant him length of days.

Communion Antiphon

One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes forth from the mouth
of God.



RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Continues ,with the next meeting Tuesday 28 Feb @7:30pm in the Dickson Parish Hall. We continue our journey exploring the Catholic Faith with a current resource *Evangelium*. All welcome. For more info contact Fr Emil at emil.milat@cg.org.au or 0414 523 036.

New Parishioners Welcome Morning Tea

Sunday 19 March 10.30 am

We invite all new Parishioners to put their names on the sheet in the foyer. The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) would like to welcome you with a special morning tea. All parishioners are invited to come along after the 9.30am Mass to welcome them- you might bring something to share! **Note** : this is also the Feast Day of St Joseph!

CAR BOOT SALE: Claim the date Saturday 15th April in Dickson St Brigid's car park. More info to follow.

SHEPHERD'S CORNER

As we start the first Sunday in Lent, the Project Compassion Boxes and envelopes are in the foyer. This first Sunday of Lent, the support will go to the most remote communities in Nepal through the livelihoods and resilience program. There might be a few Lenten programmes in the foyer.

Gods blessing Fr Emil



Flower Display: Thank you to 3 people who can help with flower displays. Anyone else interested to help with flower arranging in St Brigid's, please contact Parish Office.

ROSTERS THIS WEEK 25/26 FEBRUARY

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Paulus Sukardi
Readers Marjorie Rego & Mairead Thomas

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Marc Adorni-Brasseci
Readers Theresa Okwudike & Mary Boyle

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Gabrielle Messina
Readers Dominica Rossi & Marie-Connie Lowery
Counting, Church cleaning Anne Prendergast, Damien Smith
Ling & Flora, Mithma Fernando, Maria Lusiany
Altar Society Barbara Anderson

ROSTER THIS WEEK 4/5 MARCH

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Kevin Tee
Readers John & Maryanne Larkin
Morning Tea Bernadette & Najib Raya, Anne Prendergast

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Ashley Bawden
Readers Carol Christopher & Lindy Dugard
Altar Glynis Linehan

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Dominica Rossi
Readers Fernando family
Counting Church cleaning Judith Hurditch, John Skene
Paul Sukardi and Co

Planned Giving

Thanks again to those giving electronically. We will have the collection box in front of the altar like before lockdown, so please feel free to bring your envelopes. The Dickson church is now open during the day and the tap machines on if you would like to make a donation that way also.

Account details for EFT contributions to collections

First Collection (for priests)

Central Presbytery Fund

BSB: 062 786

Account Number: 000029248

Please include the name of the parish in the reference field and your surname e.g. 'CANBERRA CENTRAL BLOGGS' or just 'CENTRAL BLOGGS'.

Second Collection (for parish)

Canberra Central Parish

BSB: 062-786

Account Number: 000013150

Please include your Planned Giving number in the reference field (if you have one): e.g. 'BROWN ENV111'.

Vocations Dinner at Archbishop's house: Thursday 2nd March at 6pm. An informal evening comprising of a talk on the priesthood, Eucharistic Adoration, and a hearty meal. All those seeking to discern a vocation to the priesthood/religious life are welcome.

Please contact one of our three vocations directors:

(rsvp required) Fr Emil Milat

emil.milat@cg.org.au ,5472 6248F Joshua Scott

joshua.scott@cg.org.au, Fr Eden Langlands

eden.langlands@cg.org.au.

Please Pray for

The Sick



Brenda Curren, Joan Goodwin, Nadine



Hartley, Gabriel Hengkiarto Indra, Mary O'Hanlon, Theresa Okwudike, Alphonsa Bankobsky, Dave Senior, Baby Remi Elliott, Tony Bandle

Recently Deceased :Domingo Apolinar, Isaac Hampton, Vin Kane

Anniversary: Silvio Rossi

Next Finance Committee Meeting

Saturday 11 March 11:30am in the Parish Office.

Regular Parish Groups/Meetings

Charismatic Prayer Group

In Dickson Parish Hall each Friday, Mass, worship, talk & prayers at 7:00pm-9:30pm. For more details contact Shan at shahandra777@gmail.com

Eucharistic Adoration: Twelve Hours for the Lord

Weekly Adoration, every Wednesday in Dickson church, from 8:00am to 8:30pm, with Benediction at 8:20pm. For enquiries to help on the roster pls see Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au. **Please Note:** Adoration continues in 2023 also each Saturday 9.30- 10.00

Living in God's Divine Will Prayer Group

We meet in the Parish Hall - next meeting 4th March 2-3pm. and also with a zoom option. Zoom ID 6486731697 and passcode 2602.

For more info. please contact Fr Emil

emil.milat@cg.org.au



Legion of Mary

Meets every Saturday at Dickson Parish Hall; time 11.00am. Legionaries are simply Mary's means of action in the world today! Come and join anytime. For more information contact Sherree on 0407 610 526.

Craft Group

Craft Group on Wednesday, fortnightly at 1pm in St. Brigid's Parish Hall. New members welcome. An opportunity to knit, sew or work on any project, and enjoy good company with afternoon tea. Enquiries Mary Boyle 0450 060 526

Courtesy of Australia Needs Fatima

Parish Youth Group

The next Parish Youth Group will Saturday 4 March at 7pm in the Dickson Parish Hall. We will invite parents to stay for a pot luck pizza dinner BYO. We will have the pizza oven going and Youth Ministry will run activities for the youth. We will also watch a short video about Lent.

Please help **The Farm in Galong**, this is a residential drug and alcohol centre for women situated in rural NSW. Based on the Therapeutic Community method of rehabilitation, our program is designed to assist women to remain permanently free from addiction. **To Donate** Account Name: The Farm in Galong Limited Trust Account BSB: 633000 Account Number: 177416146 REF: ZM001 Donation For **more information visit** <https://thefarmingalong.com.au/donate>

First Reading Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being.

The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden.

The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death".' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 50:3-6, 12-14, 17

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin. R.

My offences truly I know them;
my sin is always before me.
Against you, you alone, have I sinned;
what is evil in your sight I have done. R.

A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. R.

Give me again the joy of your help;
with a spirit of fervour sustain me.
O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall declare your praise. R

Second Reading Romans 5:12, 17-19

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

Gospel Acclamation Matthew 4:4

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says:
Man does not live on bread alone
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'
The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down; for scripture says:
He will put you in his angels' charge,
and they will support you on their hands
in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'
Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says:
You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'
Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.'
Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.' Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.