

CANBERRA CENTRAL PARISH

Fifth Sunday of Lent

26 March 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 18th April

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 Watson 8am Tuesdays & Fridays, 5.30pm. Next Tues Mass on 28 March.



from Liturgical Calendar

Entrance Antiphon

Give me justice, O God,
and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.

From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,
for you, O God, are my strength.

Communion Antiphon

Everyone who lives and believes in me
will not die for ever, says the Lord.

Sign up for Easter Rosters: If anyone can help with the Easter Ministries of Reader, Eucharistic Minister, Acolyte, Alter Server, and Welcomer, the sign up sheet is in the foyer. All help is mostly appreciated.

If any one knows where some Olive tree branches are for Holy Thursday, please contact Parish Office or Fr Emil 0141 523 036

We also need a bookcase for Parish Centre.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Continues ,with the next meeting Tuesday 28 March @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.

Parish & Lenten Pilgrimage Sunday 26 March The (CRL) will host a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Mercy Penrose Park, 45 minutes north of Goulburn. Australia's largest Marian shrine. It will be a picnic lunch, 3pm Mass then Rosary procession to the grotto. All welcome, for more info, contact Fr Emil 0414 523 036

CAR BOOT SALE: Claim the date Saturday 15th April in Dickson St Brigid's car park. For more info contact Fran via the Parish office. The plan is an entrance fee for sellers of \$20 per car, monies raised is for Project Compassion Lent/Easter Appeal.

Healing Service: after several requests we will restart the monthly parish healing service, with the *CRL Community of the Risen Lord*, after the 9:30am Mass on the 2nd or 3rd Sunday of the Month. The next service will be Sunday 16 April -Divine Mercy Sunday.

The next **Vocations Discernment night** for priestly and religious vocations will be held on Thursday 6th April at St Brigid's Parish Presbytery beginning at 5.30pm. It will be a paschal lamb dinner, followed by the Holy Thursday 7pm Mass, with an opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration and quiet time with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane. For more information, and to rsvp please contact Fr. Emil Milat-emil.milat@cg.org.au 0414 523 036

SHEPHERD'S CORNER

Pls see notice adjacent for updated info. on the three planning meetings across our Parish, Campbell and Watson. It's looking likely we will have to adjust our Mass times soon. all welcome to come and discuss but all will get a chance via a survey give out at Masses. With today's Gospel of Lazareth being unbound- I am going for study leave to an excellent conference on inner healing & freedom in Christ in Sydney in late April. If anyone feels like they need to "unbound" for a deeper freedom in Christ, just text me and I will send you a 30 minute talk about the course.
God's Blessing Fr Emil 0414 523 036

ROSTERS THIS WEEK 25/26 MARCH

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Paul Sukardi
Readers Elaine Larkin, Marjorie Rego

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Ashley Bawden
Readers Michael Kelly, Mary Boyle

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Gabrielle Messina
Readers Dominica Rossi, Janet Munro
Counting Anne Prendergast, Damien Smith
Church cleaning Ling & Flora, Mithma
Altar Society Barbara Anderson

ROSTER THIS WEEK 1 /2 APRIL

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

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

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Marc Adorni-Braccesi
Readers Carol Christopher, Lindy Dugard
Altar Society Glynis Linehan

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Dominica Rossi
Readers Fernando family
Counting (Mon) Judith Hurditch, John Skene
Church cleaning Paul Sukardi & Co

Palm Sunday Rally for Refugees: Permanent Protection for All The St Vincent de Paul Society supports many refugees and asylum seekers who've been on temporary visas for a decade. Vinnies invites Catholics to join us at the Palm Sunday Rally in Garema Place at 1.00pm on 2 April. Mim McKenna, Vinnies Refugee Support, Canberra-Goulburn.

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 EN-V111'.

Mass time possible change planning meeting

Frs Josh and Tony can only help once a month with the 9.30am Sunday Mass from now on, across Campbell and here. This makes urgent the discussion mooted about the Inner North Mass times across the four Parishes. So I will have an open Parish meeting 4.30-5.30pm Saturday 1 April to discuss, in the Dickson Hall. All welcome. I will also shortly try with the PPC and organise a survey of Parishioners (Central Canberra & Campbell) soon re Mass times change options. Note: All welcome to come to the Campbell Meeting Wed 29 March 6-7pm at Campbell Church or Watson meeting 7pm 30th March-The Archdiocese Chancellor will be at those meetings. Bless Fr Emil.



Please Pray for

The Sick



Brenda Currer, 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, Helen Olsen

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 25 March at 7pm in the Dickson Parish Hall. There will be pizza provided with fun activities and we will watch and reflect on a video about the Annunciation, Mary's great feast day. For more info see Fr Emil.

Employment position Music Coordinator/singer(s):

The parish has secured a funding donation to build a choir for 9:30am Mass Sunday morning at Dickson. The duties will be for three hours each Sunday: 8:30-9:30am practise time, then singing/playing during the 9:30am Mass until 11am, with 30 minutes weekly planning time. The rate is \$25-\$30 per hour- negotiable. Skills needed are Christian worship singing ability &/or ability to play a musical instrument and work as a team. An emphasis will be to employ youth/young adults, and acapella worship singing. For a duty statement & selection criteria, closing 10 April, pls contact Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au or 0414 523 036.

First Reading Ezekiel 37:12-14

The Lord says this: I am going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this - it is the Lord who speaks.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 129

R. With the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!

O let your ear be attentive
to the voice of my pleading. R.

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you. R.

My soul is waiting for the Lord,
I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak.
(Let the watchman count on daybreak
and Israel on the Lord.) R.

Because with the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem
from all its iniquity. R.

Second Reading Romans 8:8-11

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 11:25, 26

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the
Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel John 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45

There was a man named Lazarus who lived in the village of Bethany with the two sisters, Mary and Martha, and he was ill. - It was the same Mary, the sister of the sick man Lazarus, who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair. The sisters sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.' Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.' The disciples said, 'Rabbi, it is not long since the Jews wanted to stone you; are you going back again?' Jesus replied: 'Are there not twelve hours in the day? A man can walk in the daytime without stumbling because he has the light of this world to see by; but if he walks at night he stumbles, because there is no light to guide him.' He said that and then added, 'Our friend Lazarus is resting, I am going to wake him.' The disciples said to him, 'Lord, if he is able to rest he is sure to get better.' The phrase Jesus used referred to the death of Lazarus, but they thought that by 'rest' he meant 'sleep', so Jesus put it plainly, 'Lazarus is dead; and for your sake I am glad I was not there because now you will believe. But let us go to him.' Then Thomas - known as the Twin - said to the other disciples, 'Let us go too, and die with him.' On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. Bethany is only about two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to sympathise with them over their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said: 'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die....please listen to remaining