

# CANBERRA CENTRAL PARISH

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

14th May 2023

**St Brigid's**  
Cnr Bancroft & Wilshire Sts, Dickson

**St Patrick's**  
Cnr Donaldson & Cooyong Sts, Braddon

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#### **Priests**

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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 20 June 10.30am note liturgy on other Tuesdays.

#### **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 have their week-day Tues-Fri Masses to 5.30pm



[www.catholictradition.org/Mary/Mothers](http://www.catholictradition.org/Mary/Mothers)

### **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY**

**From all  
at**

**Saints  
Brigid  
and**

**Patrick  
Parish**



**Vocations Dinner at Fr Josh's Presbytery in Queanbeyan** Thursday 1 June at 6pm. Claim the date, more info next week or contact vocations director Fr Emil [emil.milat@cg.org.au](mailto:emil.milat@cg.org.au) 0414 523 036.

**Claim the Date:** St Thomas More Forum and Parish Dinner Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at Mecure Hotel Ainslie, with our speaker this year Madeline Brennan KC.

Madeline Brennan KC is a barrister practising in the Federal and Queensland State jurisdictions in administrative, taxation and revenue matters. Madeline was first a secondary school teacher before having a family of five, studying law part time and being admitted to the bar on 3 June 1996.

Register now at <https://bit.ly/stm-230623> by 11am Friday 16 June 2023. For more info. email [forum@stthomasmore.org.au](mailto:forum@stthomasmore.org.au). Cost \$90.00 (*Dinner and wine*). You can contact the Parish Office, if you would prefer or if you would like to be on a Parish table.

**Mother's Day Raffle** :Tickets will be for sale after 9.30 Mass. All proceeds are going to Sister Kate's Ministry for women at The Farm at Galong . Tickets are \$2.00 each or \$5.00 for 3.

**Fear vs Faith Singles for Christ— youth adults faith sharing group/course.** Commenced 11 May in Campbell Church for 9 consecutive weeks

RSVP or call for more information Vi-Vien 0422 890 097, Vinnie 0402 610 804 Jaynel 0403 846 718

#### SHEPHERD'S CORNER

The Clergy of the Archdiocese are having our annual assembly Tuesday and Wednesday next week. An always important ecclesial gathering, let's keep each other in mutual prayer (Fr Bernie will help cover Masses).

It was a great astounding shock to hear the sudden, without consultation, decision by the ACT Government to use law to take over Calvary hospital. The Archbishop's Media release is in the foyer. I put a novena to St Joseph *Protector of the Church* on the back, if anyone feels to join me praying it for nine days from this Sunday until 22 May- with intention that our Catholic hospital be saved.

The Mother's Day raffle concludes after Mass Sunday- on that note may Mary Our Mother, *in the order of grace*, through her intercession gain abundance grace upon our Mothers today. Hope you can join me for the special Marian devotions after Masses this weekend or the City public rosary, more info. inside the bulletin. God's blessings Fr Em

#### ROSTERS THIS WEEK 13/14 MAY

##### Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Kevin Tee  
Readers Margorie Rego & John Skene

##### Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Ashley Bawden  
Readers Jenny Francis, Shenelle Egbert

##### Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Ken Maher  
Readers Marie-Connie Lowery  
Counting Mary Boyle, Ros Wiley  
Church Men Alive  
cleaning  
Altar Society Mary Boyle

#### ROSTERS THIS WEEK 20/21 MAY

##### Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Kevin Tee  
Readers Eileen Wignall, Mairead Thomas

##### Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Marc Adorni-Braccesi  
Readers Theresa Okwudike, Michael Kelly

Morning Tea Paul & Gabrielle Messina  
Altar Society Ros Wiley

##### Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Catherine Bandle  
Readers Judith Hurditch, Sue Hancock  
Counting Anne Prendergast, Damien Smith  
Church Fran & Delani, Carl & David  
cleaning Grace

**Catholic Men's Breakfast claim the date:** will be held on Tuesday, 23 May, from 7am to 8.45am, at St Christopher's Pastoral Centre. New York-based Catholic author and entertainer Christopher Padgett will speak at the event. Cost: \$38 Enquiries Frank Stanford- [fstanford200@gmail.com](mailto:fstanford200@gmail.com) 110 664 0417  
**Registration:**<https://bit.ly/ChrisPadgett> . Also cocktail dinner that night at ACU \$45. Tables of 8 for schools only @\$220. enquiries can be directed to Lara Kirk [lara.kirk@cg.org.au](mailto:lara.kirk@cg.org.au) See flyer in foyer.

## Planned Giving

We have returned to passing the collection bags around as this has significantly increased the collections. Thankyou to all those collectors who are helping. Thanks again to those giving electronically Eft or using the tap machines.

### 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'.

Parish Visit Our Lady of Fatima at St Brigid's Church

Saturday May 13 Holy Mass @ 6.00pm

Sunday May 14 Holy Mass @9.30am

At the end of each Mass- Family Consecration to the Holy Family of Nazareth

- Investiture of the Brown Scapular
- Rosary Procession (around the Parish grounds)

May Public Rosary Honouring Mother Mary and praying for all Mothers.

Sunday 14 May at 12.00pm at Garema Place, gathering at the performing stage. See notice board for more info

### *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, Joyce Thompson

#### Recently Deceased:

Rex Carmody, Felicity William, John Mahon, Roslyn Tippetts, Domingo Apolinar

**Anniversary:** Augustine Fonseka, Silvio Rossi, Carmelina & Mario Russo

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 June 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](mailto: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. An opportunity to knit, sew or work on any project, and enjoy good company with afternoon tea. Enquiries Mary Boyle 0450 060 526

### Parish Youth Group

The next Parish Youth Group Saturday 20 May. This is held in the Dickson Parish Hall at 7.00pm. We will provide pizza with fun activities Then we will watch a video to reflect on. For more info see Fr Emil 0414 523 036.

**Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle:** every 1st Saturday of the month at St Brigid's Church 10am. Includes Rosary and Consecration to Immaculate Heart of Mary.

**Sacrament of First Holy Communion:** usually for children in year 3 or older. Enrolment has started The actual Sacrament is being celebrated 9:30am Mass Sunday 18 June. For more info contact the Parish Office or Fr Emil.



## First Reading Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20

**R.** 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! **R.**

'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. **R.**

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. **R.**

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. **R.**

### PROJECT COMPASSION :

For those who have requested a receipt , please collect from the foyer

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## Second Reading 1 Peter 3:15-18

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,  
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

## Gospel John 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples:  
'If you love me you will keep my commandments.  
I shall ask the Father,  
and he will give you another Advocate  
to be with you for ever,  
that Spirit of truth  
whom the world can never receive  
since it neither sees nor knows him;  
but you know him,  
because he is with you, he is in you.  
I will not leave your orphans;  
I will come back to you.  
In a short time the world will no longer see me;  
but you will see me,  
because I live and you will live.  
On that day  
you will understand that I am in my Father  
and you in me and I in you.  
Anybody who receives my commandments and  
keeps them  
will be one who loves me;  
and anybody who loves me will be loved by my  
Father,  
and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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