



Canberra Inner North Catholic Community

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Parish Offices Opening Hours: Dickson St Brigid's 9am-12.30pm Tuesday, Campbell St Thomas More 9am-12.30pm Friday
O'Connor St Joseph's 9am-12.30pm Wednesday, Watson Blackfriars 9am-12.30pm Thursday

Parish Safeguarding Commitment

Our Parishes are committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to, and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all of our thinking and action. This approach is to follow Jesus' command in Matthew 18:1-3. Enquiries or concerns please contact: Fr Anthony Riosa SSS—anthony.riosa@cg.org.au - Maria Hicks (Manager) - Phone **02 6239 9806** - Institute of Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) ipss@cg.org.au

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4th Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)

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Acknowledgement of Country - We Acknowledge the Ngunnawal people, as Traditional Owners of the land where we gather today and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

Reflection - John introduces the image of the shepherd by describing how the shepherd enters the sheepfold, calls the sheep by name and leads the flock to pasture. Then Jesus identifies himself as the good shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep. The text mentions the suspicion often levelled at shepherds by acknowledging that those who came before Jesus were indeed 'thieves and robbers' (John 10:8). The image is transformed completely when the title 'good shepherd' is applied to Jesus. The context makes clear that Jesus is not claiming expertise in animal husbandry; rather, it suggests that he is claiming a special relationship with the flock. Responsible leaders, like good shepherds, were expected to seek the welfare of the flock and even risk their lives for the flock, but only Jesus, the good shepherd, would lay down his life for the sheep.

...the image of Jesus as Good Shepherd challenges religious leaders to be 'shepherds after God's own heart' and inspires the people, the 'flock', to turn to him for love and security. (From God's Word Daily Reflections 2024)



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Entrance Antiphon - Cf. Ps 32: 5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

First Reading - Acts 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today.

This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm - Ps117(118):1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men;
it is better to take refuge in the Lord, than to trust in princes.

I will thank you for you have answered and you are my saviour.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord; You are my God, I thank you. My God, I praise you.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end.

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Second Reading- 1 John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation - John 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

Gospel - John 10:11-18

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

'I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep.

'And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd.

'The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

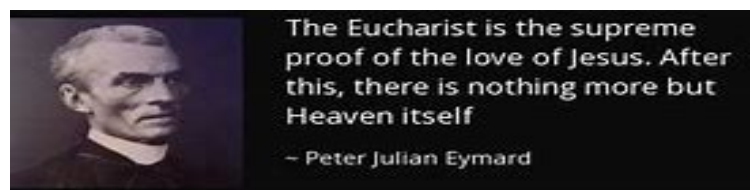
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BAPTISMS

*Elizia and Athalia Henson
and
Aidan Honer*

who will be baptised at Holy Rosary
Watson this weekend.

May their lives be filled with God's peace,
and their hearts with God's love,



PROJECT COMPASSION RECEIPTS

Parishioners who requested a receipt for their Project Compassion donations will find these in the foyer of their church.

ANZAC DAY MASSES

The Inner North will have weekday masses on ANZAC Day as follows:

St Brigids Dickson; 9.00am

Holy Rosary Watson: 9.00am (no 5.30pm mass)

St Joseph's O'Connor: 9.15am

St Patrick's Braddon: 12.30pm

Alternatively, parishioners are invited to attend the National ANZAC Day Mass, to be held at St Christopher's Cathedral, Manuka, ACT. Parishioners are requested to be at the Cathedral by 7.45am for 8.00am Mass.

BLACKFRIARS, WATSON

PARISH SOCIAL PROFILE

The Australian Catholic Council for Pastoral Research has recently made available a social profile for every Catholic parish in Australia, including Watson. Data in the profile comes from the Australian Census.

The summary presentation presented at last Tuesdays meeting is available on the website at: <http://cg.org.au/watson/home.aspx> and look down the left hand column for special notices and its under *Parish Profile*.

ECHO CONCERT

Lady's Mantle invites you to its concert 'ECHO' at 2.00pm on Sunday 5 May at Holy Rosary Church. The concert includes Gustav Holst's setting of songs from Tennyson's epic poem 'The Princess' and madrigals with many repetitions of phrase and sound.

Lady's Mantle is a small Canberra-based women's vocal ensemble, directed by Maia Harrison. In concert Lady's Mantle will be performing with percussionist Christina Hopgood and violinist Anna Harrison. Concert entry will be by donation. Concert proceeds will be shared between Lady's Mantle and Holy Rosary Church.

ST JOSEPH'S, O'CONNOR

INNER NORTH ALPHA—St Joseph's Parish Representative

An Inner North Alpha course is being planned for later this year, run by representatives of each of the inner North parishes. St Joseph's Parish is seeking a parishioner who would like to undertake this role.

Alpha is a way of building community and helping people discover, renew or deepen their faith. Meetings provide a space for conversations about faith, life and God. It is also a place where friends can be invited to 'come and see'.

The plan is to hold sessions on Sundays at 2.30pm, starting 4 Aug, and rotate the venue among the Inner North parishes.

If you'd like to be the St Joseph's representative, please let Donna McDonald (donna.mcdonald.3@bigpond.com) know by 26 April 2024. Further enquiries: Roger Paul (rpaul2572@gmail.com or 0421 612 572).

LIFE IS FOR LIVING THE SPIRITUALITY OF AGEING

The Catholic Women's Taskforce (Canberra and Goulburn) presents a 1-day workshop facilitated by Kerin Caldwell SGS.

Sat 27 April 2024, 10am-3pm, Parish Centre North Woden, 3 Strangeways St Curtin.

Registrations Essential: 30 places available. Go to cgwomen.com.au (and we are seeking a \$20 contribution for costs).

ST THOMAS MORE, CAMPBELL

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL RENEWAL

The process of renewal of our St. Thomas More Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) has begun and will continue over the next 3 weeks. Nominations are invited from our Parish community and will close on Sun 28 April 2024.

The term of our current PPC is now more than four years (including the COVID period). The sincere appreciation of the Parish community is extended to the current PPC: Chris Evans, Joanne Gale, Luke Donnelly, Kym Duggan, Shannon Horan, Bill Mason, Zarah Mason, Monica Phelan and Skye McPhadden (who will continue to serve on the PPC representing our school).

The term of the new PPC will be 2 years. 5 nominations from the current PPC have been received. Nomination forms are at the back of the Church. When completed, place them in the Collection Box at the back of the Church or on the collection plate.

ST THOMAS MORE FORUM — SAVE THE DATE

Friday 14 June 2024: Engaging an AI Generation

featuring Fr Rob Galea.

Forum and Dinner:: Mercure Hotel Braddon: 6.45 for 7.30pm

Fr Rob, based in Victoria, is an internationally acclaimed author, singer and songwriter and founder of the FRG Ministry, a charity organisation ministering to 1.4 million people each year.

To register, go to <https://bit.ly/stmf-140624> or contact the parish office.



CENTRAL CANBERRA, BRADDON AND DICKSON

St Brigids' Healing Service on 21st April

3rd Sunday 9.30am mass will be followed by the healing service supported by the Community of the Risen Lord.

St Brigid's Community of the Risen Lord Weekly Meeting

Every Friday, meeting commences with Holy Mass at 7.00pm followed by a live message and live adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



ARCHDIOCESAN ASSEMBLY

As part of the Year of the Holy Spirit and leading into an Archdiocesan Assembly later this year, please join others from across the Archdiocese for prayerful dialogue in the spirit of synodality (walking together). Do this by participating in one or more sessions of a Roundtable Series that is currently underway.

Future topics: Our Common Home: Justice, Outreach and Integral Ecology (24 May); Seek the City: Faith in the Public Sphere (22 June); Reconciliation and First Nations: Healing Wounds, Receiving Gifts (7 July); The Voice of the Child: Safeguarding the Gift of our Children and Vulnerable (4 Sept). For more info and to register, go to <https://www.cgevangelisation.org.au/roundtables/>. If you want to connect with others in our inner north community interested in this series, please contact Emily at emilykathryn-hall@gmail.com.

HEALING RALLY WITH DAMIAN STAYNE

Wednesday 1st May @ St Peter Chaneels Church, Weston Street, Yarralumla from 7pm - 9:30pm. Everyone is welcome! Praise, worship, healing prayer and joy in the Holy Spirit! Damian is a Catholic lay evangelist from the UK. He ministers powerfully in the charisms of preaching and healing. To register call/text Susanna 0419 902 293 or Neda 0415 266 019.

ARCH-DIOCESE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES

18 May | Marriage Preparation Courses

Upcoming Marriage Preparation courses for engaged couples: *Engaged Encounter*- Sydney, Sat 18 & Sun 19 May. *FOCCUS* - Tues 11th June 5-9pm plus a private follow up session at CatholicCare. *Evenings for the Engaged*- Sat 13 & 20 July. *SmartLoving* – online, 9 lessons, learn at your own pace when suits you. For more information or to register go to www.marriagefamily.org.au Enquiries: Text Helena Zobec on **0405 440 463**

OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

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

Veronica Cornelly, Maria Huong Pham, Sr Joy Belt RSCJ, Matthew Dwyer, Bob Wetherden, Michael (Stan) Cronin, Iris Thorpe, Arch-Bishop Frank Carroll, Bob Witherden

IN LOVING MEMORY

Felipe Miragaya, Paul Doyle, Helen Olsen

CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRIEST & PARISH

Contribute to the First Collection.

Account Name: Central Presbytery Fund
BSB: 062-786 - Bank Account: 000029248
Reference: Use your Parish Location to assist in correct allocation & Your Name (e.g. Campbell Smith)

Planned Giving: Planned Giving is a weekly, fortnightly or monthly contribution to the first and/or second collection via cash, direct Debit or credit card. By contributing set amounts regularly you help the parish to forecast and budget its ongoing expenses. If you are new to Planned Giving and would like more information, please contact the Parish Office.

PLEASE NOTE: Existing Planned Giving arrangements have not changed. If you have established a regular deduction, that will continue. For information, Planned Giving account details for each Parish follow. These can be used to set up new regular deductions.

Canberra Central : A/C Name Canberra Central Parish
BSB: 062786 **A/C:** 000013150 **Ref:** Name & Giving Number

Blackfriars: A/C Name: Blackfriars Parish Watson
BSB: 062786 **A/C:** 000013341 **Ref:** Name & Giving Number

St Joseph's: A/C Name: St Joseph's Parish
BSB: 062 786 **A/C:** 000012798 **Reference:** Parish & Name

St Thomas More: A/C Name: St Thomas More Parish
BSB: 062786 **A/C:** 000014869 **Ref:** Campbell/Surname

PARISH BULLETIN - DEADLINE for notices is 4 pm TUESDAY
Ph: 0416 823 447 **email:** innernorth@cg.org.au

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

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Ray Hempel, Christopher Douglas, Joseph Nguyen, Christine Nguyen, Evelyn Matriano, Davide Verri, Bedelia delos Santos, Sabina - Mary Coles, Mary Pavey, Anne Corver, Sue King, Barbara Wilson, Una Bell, Philip Bailey, Peter Catlin, Rosa Maria Santos, Gloria Sibley, Beth Delos Santos, Fr Ellis Clifford, Una Ford, June Polard, Philip Cruz, Maureen Blood, Robin Lees, Awny El-Ghitany, Pamela Sandy, Elizabeth Webster, Colleen Brackett (& friend Jackie), Baby Remi Elliott, Tony Bandle, Clare Packer, Robyn Cross, Paul Thorpe, Kahren Maclean (daughter of Joycelyn), Ernst Willheim, Mahsa Raoofian, Lyn Mowbray, Lily Copeland, Neville Caulfield, Maggie McKeon, Carmel Slammon Alphonsa & Maria Bankovsky

WEEKDAY & SATURDAY MORNING MASSES

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
St Patrick's (Braddon)		12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm	
St Thomas More's (Campbell)					11:45am*	
St Brigid's (Dickson)		9:00am	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am
St Joseph's (O'Connor)		9:15am	9:15am	9:15am	9:15am	8:30am
Holy Rosary (Watson)		5:30pm	5:30pm	5:30pm	5:30pm	
ACU-Signadou (Watson)			12:00 noon**			

* During school term, as advised when Classes attend.

** Wednesdays during University Terms (Term 1: 14/2/24-29/5/24; Term 2: 29/7/34-28/10/24)

SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY MASSES

	Saturday Vigil Mass	Sunday Morning & Evening Masses				
		8:00am	8:30am	9:30am	10:00am	5:00pm
St Patrick's (Braddon)		8:00am			10:00am*	
St Thomas More's (Campbell)					10:00am	
St Brigid's (Dickson)	6:00pm			9:30am		5:00pm**
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	6:00pm		8:30am			
Holy Rosary (Watson)	5:00pm				10:00am	5:00pm
ACU-Signadou (Watson)						

* German Mass

** Vietnamese Mass (1st & 3rd Sundays)

ADORATION & SACRAMENTS

	Reconciliation
St Patrick's (Braddon)	12:00pm - 12:30 Friday
St Brigid's (Dickson)	9:30am - 10:00am Saturday 5:30pm - 5:50pm Saturday
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	During Holy Hour 8:15am - 9:00am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 5:30pm - 6:00pm Saturday
Holy Rosary (Watson)	4:00pm - 4:30pm Saturday
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
St Patrick's (Braddon)	
St Brigid's (Dickson)	8:00am - 8:00pm Wednesday
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	8:15am - 9:15am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
Holy Rosary (Watson)	6:00pm - 7:00pm Friday
Pray the Rosary	
St Brigid's (Dickson)	8:30am Tuesday to Saturday
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	After morning Mass Tuesday, Wed (Cenacle), Thursday, Friday
Holy Rosary (Watson)	Before 10:00am Mass, 1 st & 3 rd Sundays
Anointing of the Sick	
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	8:30am First Saturday of the month
St Thomas More (Campbell)	11:15am First Sunday of the month