

CENTRAL CANBERRA PARISH

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7 August 2022

St Brigid's

St Patrick's

Year C

Cnr Bancroft & Wilshire Sts, Dickson Cnr Donaldson & Cooyong Sts, Braddon

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Parish Office Hours

Mon 9:30am-12:30pm,
Wed & Thu 9:30am-1:30pm

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)

Weekdays

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

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

Goodwin Village Ainslie

Nursing Home: next Mass Tue 16 Aug 10:30am

ILUs: next Mass Tue 6 Sept 10:30am

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



*St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, 1869
(Author unknown)*

Solemnity 8th August

*St Mary of the Cross MacKillop,
pray for us!*

Entrance Antiphon

Look to your covenant, O Lord,
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.
Arise, O God, and defend your cause,
and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Communion Antiphon

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,
who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

Download the Qkr! App for Easy Giving

The Qkr! (pronounced Quicker) app is an easy and secure way to contribute to the First and Second Collections plus any special donations.

Step 1: **Download Qkr!** on your Android phone or iPhone. Go to *app store* & type in search area Qkr.

Step 2: **Register** Select your country of residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register.

Step 3: **Find your Parish** Our parish will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10 km of the parish, or search for our parish by name (Canberra Central Parish).

Step 4: **Register your debit card** When first accessing our parish, you will be prompted to add a profile. This allows you to make orders and payments.

Planned Giving

Thanks again to those giving electronically. For hygiene purposes we have the collection boxes in front of the altar, so please place there your offering or envelopes. The Dickson church is 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'.

Engaged Encounter Retreat

A two-day marriage preparation program in Sydney which provides engaged couples with deeper insights into each other and into married life.

\$290 not including accommodation. Info & registration at www.marriagefamily.org.au

ROSTERS THIS WEEK 6/7 AUGUST

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte John Skene
Readers Emma & Grace Howse

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Ashley Bawden
Readers Theresa Okwudike, Vin Kane
Visitation Vin Kane
Altar Ros Wiley

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Dominica Rossi
Readers Fernando family
Morning Tea Bernadette & Najib Raya, Anne

Counters (Mon) Damian Smith, John Skene

ROSTERS NEXT WEEK 13/14 AUGUST

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Kevin Tee
Readers John Skene, Eileen Wignall

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Michael Kelly
Readers Carol Christopher, Mary Boyle
Visitation Ashley Bawden
Altar St Boniface Committee

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Ken Maher
Readers Henry Lee, Gabrielle Messina
Counters (Mon) Judith Hurditch, John Skene

Street Ministry Outreach with Brian Welsh

Brian is running a training day for the Inner City Street Mission. Brian spoke in the parish Pentecost Sunday in 2020 and touched many by his testimony of how the street ministry is changing people's lives. A small group of parishioners and other team member go out every Friday afternoon and night to the city to gently evangelise.

The training day will be held Saturday 3 Sep in the Dickson Parish Hall from 9:00am Mass until 2pm. Previous attendees report it was an excellent exposition of the Church's teaching on evangelisation, effective personal prayer and how to evangelise. All welcome to come and see and enjoy the day. Donations taken for lunch. More info contact Sherree sherreejack@hotmail.com, Brian 0409 126 804, or Fr Em. RSVP helpful for catering but not necessary.

Parish Office: Reduced Opening Hours

Due to Covid considerations, the Parish Office will be closed on Wednesdays for the time being but still operating remotely; please email canberracentral@cg.org.au to connect.

UPDATE: Bible Study on Book of Hebrews

Next week Fr Emil has been asked to give a talk to the *Mary of the Angelus Association*, so the Hebrews bible study Part 4 will resume on 18 August (Zoom ID 648 673 1697, password 2602). Anyone who would like to join in the talk next Thursday 7pm on Zoom about a deeper reflection of Jesus' proclamation *I Am the bread of Life*—**Meeting ID: 827 9428 9624, Passcode: angelus**. For the link or for more info contact Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au / 0414 523 036.

Special Masses Upcoming Feasts Days...

...Mary McKillop 8th August and Assumption 15th August next two Mondays. There will be a Mass at 5:30pm at St Brigid's the next two Mondays for these two feasts.

Knowing Jesus: Daily Devotional Videos

You cannot become what you do not know. Join us as we seek to dive deep into the life of Jesus to expand our understanding of who He is and help us live and become more like Him. This FREE Daily Devotional series is presented by Bruce Downes, known as The Catholic Guy, and starts on **Monday 15th August**. 5- to 10-minute video daily delivered directly to your inbox.

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SHEPHERD'S CORNER

This coming week is National Vocations Awareness Week, which is celebrated each year across a week that includes the 8th of August feast day of Australia's first saint: St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. The week runs this year from 7-14 August. There is a new portal on the Bishops Conference website which showcases the vocations of priesthood, the permanent diaconate, consecrated life, marriage and the single life. Visit the portal at www.catholic.org.au/vocations.

The Eucharistic Adoration at St Brigid's Dickson every Wednesday, from 8am to 8:30pm, closes with prayer for vocations, and the Serra Club join in at 12noon on First Wednesdays with special Prayers for Vocations. Serra Club are a very active group that does great work to support Vocations. If you feel drawn to use your gifts to promote and support vocations, please see the flyers in Church foyers.

God's blessing, Fr Em

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 in Dickson church. Every Wednesday from 8:00am to 8:30pm, with Benediction at 8:20pm.

Living in God's Divine Will Prayer Group - Monthly

Next meeting is 1-2pm *Eucharistic Adoration for Feast of God the Father*, then DW meeting 2-3pm on Sunday 7th August in St Brigid's Church. Also on Zoom: ID 648 673 1697, passcode 2602. For more info see Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au

Legion of Mary

Meets every Saturday at Dickson Parish Hall; time TBA. 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

The parish Craft Group, held fortnightly on Wednesdays 1:00pm-4:30pm in the Parish Hall, is well underway for 2022. They next meet on Wednesday 17th August. For enquiries please contact Mary Boyle on 0450 060 058.

Archdiocesan Youth and Young Adults

This Team are running a youth evangelisation outreach fortnightly on Sunday nights at Braddon church. Mass at 5pm (Adoration from 4:30pm) followed by a BBQ and youth events. The next event will this Sunday 7th August. For more info contact Christian Nobleza 0498 372 645.

Next CRL Healing Service

The Risen Lord Community will lead worship during the 9:30am Mass Sunday 28th August, and the priest and prayer teams will be praying for healing after the Mass for those who come forward. All welcome.



Please pray for:

The Sick

Anna Le Hoang Phuong Oanh, Joe Abad, Leone Carse, Mary Cummins, Brenda Currer, Joan Goodwin, Nadine Hartley, Gabriel Hengkiarto Indra, Mary O'Hanlon, Theresa Okwudike, Alphonsa Bankobsky.

Recently Deceased

Margaret Ann Mellick, Sem Anthony Cabardo, John Moten, Melissa Jonas

Anniversary: Kathleen Hetherington



First Reading Wis 18:6-9

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage. This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

Responsorial Psalm 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22

R. Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
They are happy, whose God is the Lord,
the people he has chosen as his own. **R.**

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **R.**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. **R.**

Second Reading Heb 11:1-2, 8-19

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them.

It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead, and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:

You know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 12:32-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.

'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming", and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'