

# CANBERRA CENTRAL PARISH

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

27th August 2023

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

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

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### PRESBYTERY & OFFICE

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#### Priests

Fr Emil Milat

#### Parish Secretary

Kathie Guillester

#### Parish Office Hours

Away on Annual Leave until 6 September.

#### 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

Wed, Thurs & Sat : 9:00am (St Brigid's)

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

**Goodwin Village Ainslie** Nursing Home: next Mass Tues 19 Sept 10.30am note liturgy on other weeks.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

##### St Brigid's Dickson

##### Saturday

9:30am-10:00am

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

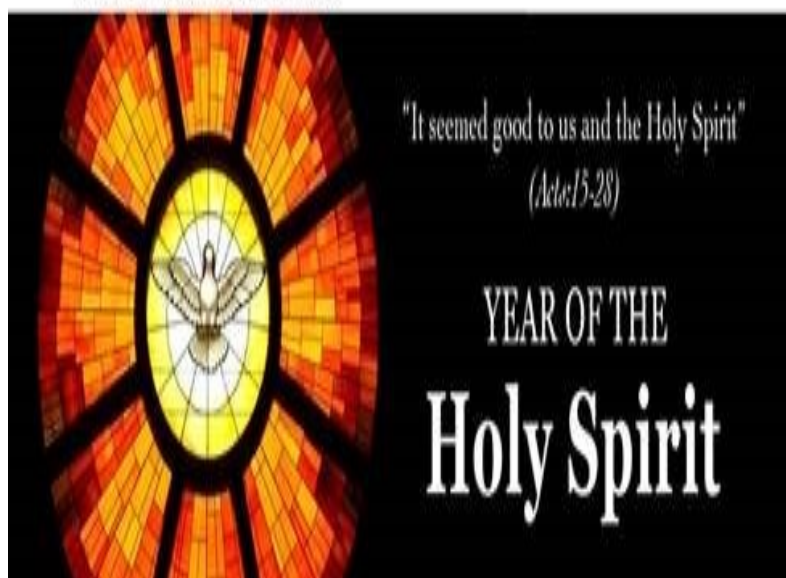
St Patrick's, Braddon: Friday 12.00 noon

#### Pray the Rosary

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

Please Note: Watson have their weekday Tues-Fri Masses at 5.30pm.

AUGUST 2023 - AUGUST 2024



A series of videos have been produced to explain this year and the upcoming Archdiocese Assembly and can be accessed via the Year of the Holy Spirit website (<https://www.yearofholyspirit.org.au/>)

#### St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

This year winter appeal is focusing on older women in difficult situations. You can donate by filling in the envelopes in the Church and either posting them or putting in second collection bag at Mass. As always thanks for your generosity.



**Sacrament of Confirmation:** The enrolment will be on 10 September at the 9.30 am Mass, at St Thomas Parish. This sacrament is for those in year 6, usually (12 years and older), with the actual Sacrament celebrated Sunday 29 October at the 9.30 Mass, at St Thomas More Church.

## Vocations Prayer

Lord of the Harvest, help men and women to hear the call and to serve in the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn. Our needs are great and our people thirst for your presence. Open the hearts of many, raise up faithful servants of the Gospel, dedicated, holy priests, sisters, brothers and deacons, who will spend themselves for your people and their needs. Bless those who are serving now with courage and perseverance. Grant that many will be inspired by their example and faith. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen

Our Lady, Help of Christians *Pray for us*

St. Joseph *Pray for us*

St John Vianney *Pray for us*

St Mary of the Cross *Pray for us*

**Movie Sound of Freedom:** with actor from *The Passion of Christ Jim Caviezel* is screening Woden Hoyts 24-27 August: it throws light of the terrible trade of trafficking of children. Based on incredible true story of rescuing a boy from traffickers a federal agent embraces a dangerous mission to save his sister.

## Year of the Holy Spirit: Called and Gifted Seminar

Called & Gifted is a three-part discernment process intended to help lay Catholics discern their charisms. Charisms, or spiritual gifts, are special abilities given to all baptized Christians by the Holy Spirit to give them the power both to represent Christ and to be a channel of God's goodness for people (see *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 798-801). If you are wondering what God is calling you to do in this time and place - please consider signing up for the Called and Gifted Seminar. Run over five weeks we will journey together to discern God's unique purpose for each of us.

### SHEPHERD'S CORNER

It was moving to hear during the week two teacher WYD Pilgrims from STM School share about their experience – Andrea & Brittany. The centerfold of *The Catholic Voice* also has stirring testimonies.

The way young adults respond to the Pope and the moral visionary grandeur he personifies as the successor of Peter – is cause for great hope. I like the symmetry between the words Pope & hope!

I hope to organise a WYD wine & cheese evening with the pilgrims at Campbell soon.

## ROSTERS THIS WEEK 26/27 AUGUST

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

Acolyte Paul Sukardi  
Readers John Skene, Marjorie Rego

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

Acolyte Ashley Bawden  
Readers Ray Toohey, Lindy Dugard

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

Acolyte Gabrielle Messina  
Readers Henry Lee, Judith Hurditch

Counting Ken Maher, Margaret McGee  
Church Ling & Flora, Maria Lusiany  
cleaning  
Altar Society Barbara Anderson

## ROSTERS THIS WEEK 2/3 SEPTEMBER

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

Acolyte Kevin Tee  
Readers Mairead Thomas, Eileen Wignall

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

Acolyte Marc Adorni-Braccesi  
Readers Shenelle Egbert, Michael Kelly  
Altar Society Ros Wiley

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

Acolyte Dominica Rossi  
Readers Fernando family

Morning Tea Bernadette & Najib Raya, Anne Prendergast

Counting Mary Boyle, Ros Wiley

Church Paul Sukardi & Co

cleaning

The **CANBERRA BACH ENSEMBLE** – *'The Lord is my Faithful Shepherd'*. Choir, orchestra, and soloists, directed by Andrew Koll, will be performing JS Bach's 'Shepherd' Cantatas BWV 104, 85, 112 and the Mass in F, BWV 233 on Saturday 2 September at 7.30pm, and Sunday 3 September at 2.00pm at St Christopher's Cathedral, Franklin Street, Manuka. For more info and to purchase tickets, please visit

[www.canberrabachensemble.com](http://www.canberrabachensemble.com)

## 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'.

**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.

**Wednesday 13 September | CatholicCare / Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Program | 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm** Marriage Preparation program for engaged couples. Includes FOCCUS questionnaire, dinner, evening formation program and a private, follow-up couple discussion with a CatholicCare counsellor. The cost for the whole package is \$300 per couple.

### *Please Pray for*

#### **The Sick**

Colleen Blackett (& friend Jackie), Brenda Curren, Joan Goodwin, Nadine Hartley, Gabriel Hengkiarto Indra, Mary O'Hanlon, Alphonsa Bankobsky, Dave Senior, Baby Remi Elliott, Tony Bandle, Joyce Thomson



#### **Recently Deceased:**

Sr Mary Geraldine Agnew, Van Minh Hugnh, Louisa van Staden, Fr Laurie Beath, brother of Fr Greg Beath, Fr Raphael Cabezon OP, Sisifo Gisa, Mother of Fr Lolesio, Francis Harvey,

**Anniversary:** Teddy Kartadinata, Warsita Gunawan, Resurrecion Baylin(40Yrs), Heraclio Baylin, Gregorio Daluata, Isabel Baylin, Stan Bierkowski, Marjorie Eileen Lyons, Joseph Martin Lyons,  
Ricarte Polloso,

## 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

### Legion of Mary

Meets weekly in Dickson Parish hall. Legionaries are simply Mary's means of action in the world today! Come and join any time. For more information contact Sherree via text: 0407 610 526.



### Parish Library – St Brigid's Hall

A large selection of Catholic books is available for borrowing in our Parish Library. Books may be borrowed when the hall is open, eg. after Sunday Mass, or please contact Legion of Mary for access at other times.

**Craft Group:** Craft Group on Wednesday fortnightly at 1pm in St. Brigid's Parish Hall. Enquiries Mary Boyle 0450 060 526

**Parish Youth Group:** The next Parish Youth Group is Saturday 9th September. This is held fortnightly in the Dickson Parish Hall at 7.00pm. We provide pizza with fun activities Then we watch a video to reflect on. For more info see Fr Emil 0414 523 036.

**West Wyalong Parish Swap:** Fr Emil will be swapping Parishes for one weekend in October with Fr Dominick Byrne. We had a great trip last year despite "Challenging Floods". As we get closer we will have a planning meeting for those interested. The date is 6-8 October.



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Discernment Process

*Be who God meant you to be  
And you will set the world on fire.  
~ St. Catherine of Siena*

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First Reading Isaiah 22:19-23

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office,  
I remove you from your post,  
and the same day I call on my servant  
Eliakim son of Hilkiah.  
I invest him with your robe,  
gird him with your sash,  
entrust him with your authority;  
and he shall be a father  
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and to the House of Judah.  
I place the key of the House of David  
on his shoulder;  
should he open, no one shall close,  
should he close, no one shall open.  
I drive him like a peg  
into a firm place;  
he will become a throne of glory  
for his father's house.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm Ps 137:1-3, 6, 8

**R.** Lord, your love is eternal;  
do not forsake the work of your hands.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,  
you have heard the words of my mouth.  
Before the angels I will bless you,  
I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love  
which excel all we ever knew of you.  
On the day I called, you answered;  
you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly  
and the haughty he knows from afar.  
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

Second Reading Romans 11:33-36

How rich are the depths of God - how deep his wisdom and knowledge - and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

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Gospel Acclamation Matthew 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia!  
You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;  
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.  
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**