

CENTRAL CANBERRA PARISH

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11 September 2022

St Brigid's

St Patrick's

Year C

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

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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 20th Sep 10:30am

ILUs: next Mass Tues 8th November 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



Return of the Prodigal Son
(Guercino, 1651)

Entrance Antiphon

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you,
that your prophets be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant,
and of your people Israel.

Communion Antiphon

How precious is your mercy, O God!
The children of men seek shelter
in the shadow of your wings.

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'.

'Caring for Creation' Conference



When: Sat 17 September 2022, 10am-5pm

Where: St John Paul II College, 1021 Gungahlin Drive, Nicholls

Registration: See barcode at left, or visit www.holyspiritgungahlin.org.au/care-for-creation

Keynote speaker: Jacqui Remond, Co-founder of global Laudato Si' Movement

Cost: Standard \$40, school student \$25

Info: <https://www.holyspiritgungahlin.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Caring-for-Creation-A5-flyer-25JULY22-v2.pdf>

Parish Outback Pilgrimage for Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

Fr Emil is swapping with Fr Dominic for the West Wyalong and Lake Cargelligo Masses 7-9 October and inviting parishioners to come for a drive and meet the Catholics at the far reaches of our Archdiocese! Bordering the Lachlan river. There will be an 11am Mass at the Bolo farm chapel Saturday 8 October, where a farmer spent a million dollars on a chapel for his farm, after a vision/prayer to end the drought; the ceiling is painted with great beauty. Can join also the 6pm Vigil Mass at "The Lake" and Sunday 9:30am at West Wyalong 9 October (with cuppa after Mass) on the way home. For full itinerary details and maps pls contact Fr Em 0414 523 036 / emil.milat@cg.org.au. P.S. Also option to join night rosary in the chapel Friday 7 October.

A book on the chapel by the local Franciscan Hermit is available in the church foyers.

ROSTERS THIS WEEK 10/11 SEPTEMBER

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte —
Readers John & Maryanne Larkin

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Ashley Bawden
Readers Michael Kelly, Shenelle Egbert
Visitation Vin Kane
Altar —

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

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

ROSTERS NEXT WEEK 17/18 SEPTEMBER

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte John Skene
Readers Emma & Grace Howse

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Michael Kelly
Readers Theresa Okwudike, Mary Boyle
Visitation Ashley Bawden
Altar Barbara Anderson

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Ken Maher
Readers Dominica Rossi, Janet Munro
Morning Tea Gabrielle & Paul Messina, Fran Pearson
Counters (Mon) Ken Maher, Margaret McGee

PARISH ROSTER: YOUR HELP NEEDED

Our current roster for the various parish ministries (as tabled above) ends at the end of September. If you are able to volunteer for any of these for the replacement roster—Oct 2022 to Jan 2023—we would love to hear from you. Please fill in a ministry you feel gifted for and return the ministry sheet, in this week's bulletin, to the Parish Office via email, or box in the church, by Monday 19 September—be appreciated. Also can contact Fr Emil or the Parish Office: emil.milat@cg.org.au / 6248 5472 / canberracentral@cg.org.au



UPDATE: Bible Study on Book of Hebrews

Zoom ID 648 673 1697 password 2602. Final sessions **15th and 22nd September**. This book inspires us in our dignity as the new living temples of the Holy Spirit and is a powerful reflection on how Christ changed the priesthood and worship for all time. From the Great Bible Adventure series by Jeff Cavins. For more info contact Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au / 0414 523 036.

Meet Other Young Catholics (18-40)...

...and support Good Shepherd Seminary by attending the *Under the Stars* Charity Event. This will be held on Saturday 8th October 6:30-9:30pm at East Hotel Kingston! Purchase tickets at TryBooking (<https://www.trybooking.com/CCFTY>) and follow the *Canberra Cathedral Young Adults* Facebook group for event details. If you have any questions, please email catholicyoungadults.cbr@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!!

'Share the Holy Spirit' Conference

An annual ecumenical charismatic conference with streams for adults, youth and children, held in Seven Hill Sydney or online from **29 September to 2 October**. More info see the Servants of Jesus Community website servantsofjesus.org or see Fr Emil.

Safeguarding Sunday, 11th September 2022

The Parish of Central Canberra and the Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work together to ensure all people feel safe and supported. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday

SHEPHERD'S CORNER

This Sunday we have our annual *Commitment Sunday*, where we invite everyone to think of their gifts. The writings of St Paul are very strong on the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the joy that comes from sharing our gifts.

After a two-year pause because of Covid, we have inserted into the bulletin a list of various gifts you can choose from, or space to add a gift. An explanation sheet with a brief description of each gift is in the church foyer if needed.

Rosters end at the end of the month, so if you can please complete it this week, that would be greatly appreciated. I will organise training asap.

God's Blessings, 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 shandra777@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 the retreat weekend to be held in Galong (the lovely St Clements Retreat centre) 14-16 October with Frs Hugh Thomas and Emil. For more info contact Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au or St Clements office directly to book info@stclement.com.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 is held fortnightly on Wednesdays 1:00pm-4:30pm in the Parish Hall. They next meet on **14th September**. 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 be this **Sunday 18th September**. For more info contact Christian Nobleza 0498 372 645.

Next CRL Healing Service

The Community of the Risen Lord will lead worship during the 9:30am Mass at this stage is Sunday **18th September (TBC)**, 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 Curren, Joan Goodwin, Nadine Hartley, Gabriel Hengkiarto Indra, Mary O'Hanlon, Theresa Okwudike, Alphonsa Bankobsky

Recently Deceased

Amelia Lo Pilato, Luke Koay



First Reading Ex 32:7-11, 13-14

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!" The Lord said to Moses, 'I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.'

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said, 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.' So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

Responsorial Psalm 50:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19

R. I will rise and go to my father.

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.
In your compassion blot out my offence.
O wash me more and more from my guilt
and cleanse me from my sin. R.

A pure heart create for me, O God,
put a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. R.

O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall declare your praise.
My sacrifice, a contrite spirit;
a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn. R.

Second Reading 1 Tim 1:12-17

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.
Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 15:1-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

He also said, 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant, "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound."