

CANBERRA CENTRAL PARISH

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

24 September 2023

St Brigid's

Cnr Bancroft & Wilshire Sts, Dickson

St Patrick's

Cnr Donaldson & Cooyong Sts, Braddon

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Parish Office Hours

Wed 9:30-3pm, Fri 1-4pm.

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 10.30am Tues 17th October, 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.

Healing Mass: the 9:30am Mass Sunday with have the CRL Community lead worship and Prayers for healing will be offered after Mass. All Welcome.



In the Vineyard- image in Google

NEEDS OF LAY CATHOLICS TODAY

What do adult lay Catholics need today to help them live a committed Catholic life amid the circumstances of modern society? To find out and to help improve their services to our Archdiocese, the Canberra Circle of The Catenians, an international association of lay Catholics, is conducting an Archdiocesan-wide online survey. Please help by completing this brief, anonymous, tick-box survey via this URL or QR code. Thank you. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CLTZGMW> Contact: Phil Murray, President, Canberra Catenians 0419 695 927 or phil13murray@gmail.com



Sacrament of Confirmation: The enrolment has started. 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. For more info contact Fr Emil or Campbell office on 0416 823 447

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:

Will commence Tuesday 17 October at the Parish Centre Dickson, for those seeking to begin or complete the Sacraments and initiation into the Catholic faith, or those seeking to deepen their Faith. For more info. Pls Contact Fr Emil.

The Explosion Youth Conference: This is Canberra's premier Catholic youth conference. a space for students from across Canberra and the country to encounter Christ and go deeper with their faith. 24-27th September, high-school aged will converge upon Marist college to attend this year's conference. We would love to offer the young people in your parish this opportunity. Students will converge upon Marist college to attend this year's conference. We would love to offer the young people in your parish this opportunity. For more information and details visit website <https://www.explosionyouth.com/>
https://org.au/DOJ_Canb/Explosion2023
https://app.tickets.org.au/DOJ_Canb/Explosion2023

Vocations Dinner at Archbishop's House. Thursday 5 October at 6pm. For men interested in discerning a call to the Priesthood. A hearty meal provided with insightful discussions & prayer. To rsvp please contact vocations director Fr Em emil.milat@cg.org.au 0414 523 036.

SHEPHERD'S CORNER

This Sunday is busy with the Healing Prayers after the 9:30am service and also at 11am a planning meeting for those that might be interested in the Bolo Parish pilgrimage advertised in the bulletin.

I can email a copy of the proposed schedule for those that might be interested, An option is to journey at your leisure and stay in hotels in the West Wyalong or Lake Cargelligo. It is also good to meet "country people" as their faith has another dimension being closer to nature.

I placed in St Brigid church foyer a copy of a meditations I wrote when I was first appointed to those parishes in 2015- it is quiet deep spiritually.

I am also going to a Charismatic family Conference next weekend called *Share the Holy Spirit*, if anyone is interested pls contact me or google Servants of Jesus community- search events.

God's blessing Fr Em

ROSTERS THIS WEEK 23/24 SEPTEMBER

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Paulus Sukardi
Readers John Skene, Eileen Wignall

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Marc Adorni-Braccesi
Readers Ray Toohey, Lindy Dugard

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Gabrielle Messina
Readers Judith Hurditch, Sue Hancock
Counting (Mon) Ken Maher, Margaret McGee
Church Ling & Flora, Maria Lusiany
cleaning
Altar Society Barbara Anderson

ROSTERS THIS WEEK SEPTEMBER 30/OCTOBER 1

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Kevin Tee
Readers Elaine Larkin, Marjorie Rego

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Michael Kelly
Readers Shenelle Egbert, Jenny Francis
Altar Society Ros Wiley

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Dominica Rossi
Readers Henry Lee, Marie-Connie Lowery
Morning Tea Bernadette & Najib Raya
Counting (Mon) Trish Moore, Ros Wiley
Church Ling & Flora, Maria Lusiany
cleaning

Parish Youth Group: Family Pizza Oven night: to close the youth group for the term we are having a family pizza night at the Dickson parish hall Saturday 23 Sept 7pm. All welcome to come and share in a pizzas byo but will be extras to share! The Pizza oven and stove will be fired up- so can bring it cold. BYO a salad too. Fr Em will also show his Madrid & Rio WYD pics and talk about the Bolo pilgrimage.



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'.

Called and Gifted Course : starting Wed 27 Sept at 7 pm. Clara Geoghegan and Adrian Wellspring, from the Catherine of Siena Institute, have agreed to facilitate this program. Held at Holy Rosary Watson. For more info. emilykathrynhall@gmail.com

Parish Safeguarding Commitment:

Sts Brigid and Patrick Parish is 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.

Please Pray for

The Sick:

Colleen Brackett (& friend Jackie), Brenda Curren,
Joan Goodwin, Nadine Hartley, Gabriel
Hengkiarto Indra, Mary O'Hanlon, Al-
phonsa Bankobsky, Dave Senior, Baby
Remi Elliott, Tony Bandle, Clare Packer.



Recently Deceased:

Mary Flood, Joyce Thomson, Sr Mary Geraldine Agnew, Van Minh Hughh, Louisa van Staden,

Anniversary: Isabella D'Souza, Max D'Souza, William Goodwin, Teddy Kartadinata, Warsita Gunawan, Resurrecion Baylin(40Yrs),

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, 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. **Please Note:** Adoration also each Saturday 9.30- 10.00

Living in God's Divine Will Prayer Group

Next Meeting 7pm 9 October a Zoom meeting with special guest *Greg Dunn* from Ireland. More info. in coming weeks or please contact Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au to go on the email list.



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. One recommendation is book no. 22, *Walking With Mary. A biblical journey from Nazareth to the Cross* by Dr Edward Sri, an easy and insightful read about how Mary's own journey of faith applies to our daily lives. 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

West Wyalong - Lake Cargelligo Pilgrimage:

Fr Emil will lead a pilgrimage to the stunning Bolo Chapel. We had a great trip last year despite "Challenging Floods". A planning meeting for those interested is 11am Sunday 24 Sept in the Parish Centre Dickson. The trip is 6-8 October. We will visit some of the lovely churches out west on the way and meet some locals in this remotest part of our Archdiocese. For a draft itinerary & more info. pls contact Fr Em on emil.milat@cg.org.au



First Reading Isaiah 55:6-9

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,
call to him while he is still near.
Let the wicked man abandon his way,
the evil man his thoughts.
Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity
on him,
to our God who is rich in forgiving;
for my thoughts are not your thoughts,
my ways not your ways - it is the Lord who
speaks.
Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways,
my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

R. The Lord is near to all who call him.

I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
The Lord is great, highly to be praised,
his greatness cannot be measured. **R.**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts. **R.**

**Caritas Australia's Emergency Appeals – Morocco /
Libya-** Caritas Australia needs your support to re-
spond to the devastating earthquake in Morocco and
floods in Libya. Thousands of people have died and
others have been injured. Communities need shel-
ter, food, water and medical assistance. Please sup-
port **Caritas Australia's emergency appeals. Donate**
at www.caritas.org.au

Acknowledgement of Country

*We acknowledge the Nggunawal
people, as Traditional Owners of the land
where we gather today and pay our
respects to Elders past, present and
emerging.*

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Second Reading Philippians 1:20-24, 27

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my
life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ,
but then death would bring me something more;
but then again, if living in this body means doing
work which is having good results - I do not know
what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I
want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be
very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this
body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be
unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation cf Acts 16:14

Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 20:1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven
is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire
workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement
with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent
them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third
hour he saw others standing idle in the market
place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too
and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At
about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth
hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about
the eleventh hour he went out and found more men
standing round, and he said to them, "Why have
you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no
one has hired us" they answered. He said to them,
"You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the
owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the
workers and pay them their wages, starting with the
last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who
were hired at about the eleventh hour came for-
ward and received one denarius each. When the
first came, they expected to get more, but they too
received one denarius each. They took it, but grum-
bled at the landowner. "The men who came last"
they said "have done only one hour, and you have
treated them the same as us, though we have done
a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered
one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being
unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius?
Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-
comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do
what I like with my own? Why be envious because I
am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the
first, last.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.