

# CANBERRA CENTRAL PARISH

## 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

19 November 2023

St Brigid's

Cnr Bancroft & Wilshire Sts, Dickson

St Patrick's

Cnr Donaldson & Cooyong Sts, Braddon

Year A

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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 21 November.

### 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.

### Visiting Speakers Marian Movement of

**Priests:** The North Canberra regional monthly MMP cenacles are on 1st Saturdays 10am.

## † ALL SOULS † *Prayer*

*Loving God, we remember now in prayer our dearly departed. May they rest in peace with you and experience the eternal joy of heaven. Heal our grief, merciful Lord, strengthen our hope that we, too, will one day share in the resurrection of your Son who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.*

*Amen.*

**Southern Cross**

### REMEMBRANCE BOOK FOR THE FAITHFUL

**DEPARTED:** November is a Month for the Holy Souls. In both Churches St Brigid's and St Patrick's there is a Remembrance Book of our departed Parishioners. We have not had the opportunity to update them this year, if you would like to have your family name added please email the Parish office. We will gather names and do one update towards end of this month. We continue to keep our deceased loved ones in our prayers.

**Catechism of the Catholic Church 1032:** *From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God....*

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:** Will continue 7.30pm Thursday 30 November 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. If you like to be on the team to walk with the enquirers you most welcome. For more info. Pls Contact Fr Emil.

**Fr Tony Percy has recommended this**

A wonderfully positive article for your parishioners. Article link:

<https://www.catholicweekly.com.au/goulburns-old-cathedral-unveils-way-of-the-family-icons>

**-to-cap-off-40-year-restoration/**



**Advent Program at Holy Rosary Church:**

Advent is a time to prepare, wait and hope for the coming of Jesus into our world and lives. Please consider

joining one of two parish Advent programs. One will be online, 7.30 – 8.30pm, starting on 28 November and finishing on 19 December. The other will be face-to-face in the parish centre, 7.30 – 8.30pm, starting on 29 November and finishing on 20 December. \$5 for the book to be used in this program. Payment to the parish office. A facilitator is needed for this program; please contact the parish office if you'd like to volunteer. Sign-on sheets in the church foyer or contact Roger Paul at [rpaul2572@gmail.com](mailto:rpaul2572@gmail.com).

**Shepherd's Corner**

The clergy had a graced retreat at Galong, we kept you all in our prayers. I read two engaging books *Paper Planes* by Steve Worland about a boy's journey to compete in paper plane competitions how it transformed his life; and *Lessons in Hope: my unexpected life with St John Paul II* by George Weigel about a grown up boy from Poland whose ideas took flight and "became Institutions" to quote the book. We have an Inner North PPC, FC and School reps planning meeting this Tuesday at Watson.

God's blessing Fr Em

**ROSTERS THIS WEEK  
18/19 NOVEMBER**

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

Acolyte Kevin Tee  
Readers John Skene, Marjorie Rego

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

Acolyte Ashley Bawden  
Readers Shenelle Egbert, Jenny Francis

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

Acolyte Dominica Rossi  
Readers Sue Hancock, Judith Hurditch  
Counting Ken Maher, Margaret McGee (Mon)  
Church Fran and Delani, Carl Bunk, cleaning David Grace  
Altar Society Tricia Moore

**ROSTERS THIS WEEK  
25/26 NOVEMBER**

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

Acolyte Paulus Sukardi  
Readers Mairead Thomas, Eileen Wignall

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

Acolyte Marc Adorni- Braccesi  
Readers Ray Toohey, Michael Kelly  
Altar Society Ros Wiley

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

Acolyte Gabrielle Messina  
Readers Henry Lee, Marie-Connie Lowery  
Counting Mary Boyle, Ros Wiley  
Church Ling & Flora, Maria Lusiany  
cleaning



## Planned Giving

### 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'.

### 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

#### *Please Pray for*

#### **The Sick:**

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

#### **Recently Deceased:**

 Guisepppe Mangeruca, Rex Sutherland,   
Dave Senior, Michael Morrisroe, Aidan Moore, Patricia Beesley, Cornelius Romer, Mr Patrick Gleeson, (aka Patty Mr), John Dimichael ( son of Tony & Margaret), Mary Flood, Joyce Thomson, Sr Mary Geraldine Agnew, Van Minh Hugnh, Louisa van Staden,

**Anniversary:** Bill Dominguez, Eleanor Griffiths, Wilfredo Baylin, Isabella D'Souza, Max D'Souza, William Goodwin

## 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 also each Saturday 9.30- 10.00

**Living in God's Divine Will Prayer Group**  
Next Meeting is a Zoom meeting . More info. please see Fr Emil [emil.milat@cg.org.au](mailto: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. Books may be borrowed when the hall is open, eg. after Sunday Mass, or please contact Legion of

Mary (ph 0407 610 526) for access at other times.

**Craft Group:** Craft Group will meet for the last time this year on Wednesday 29 November at 1pm in St. Brigid's Parish Hall . Will resume in Feb 2024 Date to be advised.

**Parish Youth Group:** The next Parish Youth Group is Saturday 25 November. This is held regularly 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.

### Annual Parish Christmas Luncheon

Will be held at the Yowani Country Club on Saturday 12 for 12.30 **9th December**. Tickets \$50, including a two-course meal, which has always been enjoyed in past years. . **TICKET SALES** at Masses on 18/19 Nov, 25/26 Nov. Please claim the date.

Anyone who would like to make a donation for the raffle, please bring it to the Parish Office or give to the acolyte to put in the sacristy before or after Mass. Also donor has offered to pay for 2 peoples tickets if they can't afford \$50

## First Reading Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

A perfect wife - who can find her?  
She is far beyond the price of pearls.  
Her husband's heart has confidence in her,  
from her he will derive no little profit.  
Advantage and not hurt she brings him  
all the days of her life.  
She is always busy with wool and with flax,  
she does her work with eager hands.  
She sets her hands to the distaff,  
her fingers grasp the spindle.  
She holds out her hand to the poor,  
she opens her arms to the needy.  
Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty;  
the woman who is wise is the one to praise.  
Give her a share in what her hands have worked for,  
and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Ps 127:1-5

**R.** Happy are those who fear the Lord.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord  
and walk in his ways!  
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.  
You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

Your wife like a fruitful vine  
in the heart of your house;  
your children like shoots of the olive,  
around your table. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed  
the man who fears the Lord.  
May the Lord bless you from Zion  
in a happy Jerusalem  
all the days of your life. **R.**

The Canberra Goulburn Archdiocesan has created **Advent Resource** once again – **Christmas: Way of the Star**. There are up to 14 sessions provided including scripture reflections and videos. This can be used as a take home resource for families and individuals **or** in small groups.

For posters, see noticeboard in foyer, videos and discussion guides follow this link : [cgevangelisation.org.au/parish-youth-coordinator](http://cgevangelisation.org.au/parish-youth-coordinator)

### **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.*

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## Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons,' since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is,' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation John 15:4, 5

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord;  
my branches bear much fruit.  
Alleluia!

## Gospel Matthew 25:14-15, 19-21

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said, "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### **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. This approach is to follow Jesus' command in Matt 18:1-3.*