

CENTRAL CANBERRA PARISH

First Sunday of Advent

27 November 2022

St Brigid's

St Patrick's

Year a

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

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Wed 9.30– 4.00
Fri- 1.00-4.00

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 Dec 10:30am
ILUs: next Mass TBA

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

Advent Wreath Prayers – First Week of Advent

Let us pray: May the sprinkling of this water remind all of us gathered here of our first sharing in the grace of baptism. During this time of Advent may we prepare for the Lord's coming with open hearts and minds.

May this wreath be a symbol to us of this time of prayerful watching and waiting for the coming of the Lord now and for all time.

Note: the first candle is often named the Prophets' Candle as the prophets prepared the way for the future coming of the Messiah.

V. Lord Jesus, you come among us now as we read the prophet Isaiah's words who promised that there shall be honesty and integrity in the land.

R. Come, Lord Jesus.

V. Lord Jesus, that we may love one another and the whole human race as you did.

R. Come, Lord Jesus.

V. Lord Jesus, we must stay awake as you will come again as the Son of Man.

R. Come, Lord Jesus.

Presider then reads the opening prayer of Sunday Advent Year C.

(Note: no Gloria)



Entrance Antiphon

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;

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 - 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'.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal

The Holy Rosary Conference will hold its annual Christmas Appeal on the weekend of 3-4 December. Cash and electronic donations will be accepted and further information on donation methods will be available in the coming weeks. Vinnies looks forward to your support.

Singing Practice for Christmas Vigil Mass

To be after 9.30 am Mass on 27 November 2022

Maureen, the organist has offered to stay back after 9.30 Mass on Sunday 27/11/2022 to run through the hymns for the Christmas Vigil Mass (6pm 24/11/2022). All are welcome.



Annual Parish Christmas Luncheon

Will be held at the Yowani Country Club on Saturday **10th December**. Tickets \$45, including a two-course meal, which has always been enjoyed in past years. We already have some nice prizes for the raffle and door prize and a quiz. **TICKET SALES** at Masses this weekend 19/20 Nov, & 26/27 Nov. Please claim the date. Payment can be made via Qkr App also.

ROSTERS THIS WEEK 26/27 NOVEMBER

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Paul Sukardi
Readers Paul Carroll, Aoife Connors

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Marc Adorni-Braccesi
Readers Michael Kelly
Carol Christopher
Altar Barbara Anderson

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Gabrielle Messina
Readers Marion Lowery
Judith Hurditch
Counters (Mon) Anne Prendergast, Damian Smith

ROSTERS NEXT WEEK 3/4 DECEMBER

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Kevin Tee
Readers Emma and Grace Howse

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Ashley Bawden
Readers Theresa Okwudike
Jenny Francis
Altar St Boniface committee

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Ken Maher
Readers Fernando Family
Morning Tea Anne Prendergast, Bernadette & Najib Raya
Counters (Mon) Judith Hurditch, John Skene

Christmas Luncheon raffle: 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. Tickets on sale at the luncheon or Masses next week.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Thursday 8th December 7:30pm in the Dickson Parish Hall. For those thinking about becoming a Catholic or completing their Sacraments. Also, for anyone who would like to learn more about the riches of the Catholic Faith—through solid adult education. We will use the course *Evangelium*, a most current resource. All welcome. For more info contact Fr Emil at emil.milat@cg.org.au or 0414 523 036.



Mary MacKillop House Christmas Appeal For homeless women and their children

Mary Mackillop House, Lyneham, is a refuge for homeless women and their children fleeing domestic violence and otherwise seeking refuge. The aim is to raise funds to buy Christmas gifts to help make their Christmas a little happier. Donations can be left in the red collection box using the envelopes provided in the church foyer or by direct transfer to 062 786 000029248 Central Presbytery Fund noting the name “MacKillop” in the reference field so we can identify your donation. Thank you & every dollar counts.

SHEPHERD'S CORNER

This week we begin the graced season of Advent. A usually busy time has been made even more so because of so many travelling to catch up from the Covid separations.

We have a few Wollongong diocese Advent scripture reflection books in the parish office for \$10 or they can be bought at the Catholic Bookshop Manuka. They have an excellent array of contributors each year. The choir is meeting after the 9:30am Sunday Mass to practice with the organist Maureen for the 6pm Vigil Christmas Mass. I am still thinking about a choir for the 9:30am Mass on Christmas Day if anyone has ideas pls contact me. Also the tickets for the Parish Christmas Luncheon at the Yowani club are selling well, they are on sale after the Masses this weekend.

The Archbishop has released a Christmas message, copies in the foyer, about reestablishing the Sunday Mass obligation- we don't use that language so much in our modern culture so he prudently and pastorally explains what it entails.

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. The last week will be 21 Dec and will recommence 25 January 2023

Living in God's Divine Will Prayer Group – Monthly

Next meeting will recommence again in the new year in February. For more info contact Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au

Legion of Mary

Meets every Saturday at Dickson Parish Hall; time 11.00am. 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 will meet again in February 2023, any new members are welcome. Our Christmas get together will be on **Wednesday 14 December at 12 noon**. 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 27th November**. 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 **Sunday 8th December**, 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:

Brenda Curren, Joan Goodwin, Nadine Hartley, Gabriel Hengkiarto Indra, Mary O'Hanlon, Theresa Okwudike, Alphonsa Bankobsky

Recently Deceased

Mgr. John Woods sister Sharon



First Reading Isaiah 2:1-5

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come
the mountain of the Temple of the Lord
shall tower above the mountains
and be lifted higher than the hills.
All the nations will stream to it,
peoples without number will come to it; and they
will say:
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the Temple of the God of Jacob
that he may teach us his ways
so that we may walk in his paths;
since the Law will go out from Zion,
and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.'

He will wield authority over the nations
and adjudicate between many peoples;
these will hammer their swords into plough-
shares,
their spears into sickles.
Nation will not lift sword against nation,
there will be no more training for war
O House of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 121:1-2, 4-5, 6-9

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. **R.**

It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord.
For Israel's law it is,
there to praise the Lord's name.
There were set the thrones of judgement
of the house of David. **R.**

For the peace of Jerusalem pray:
'Peace be to your homes!
May peace reign in your walls,
in your palaces, peace!' **R.**

For love of my brethren and friends
I say: 'Peace upon you!'
For love of the house of the Lord
I will ask for your good. **R.**

Second Reading Romans 13:11-14

You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon - let us give up all the things we prefer to do under cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.
Alleluia!

Gospel Luke Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left. 'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Advent 2022 – Preparing for Christmas

With Bruce Downes The Catholic Guy

“You don’t become who you hope to become, you only become what you do!”

You are invited to **Prepare for Christmas** this Advent (starting November 27th) with a new Daily Devotional series. Each day, you will receive a short inspirational video from Bruce Downes, known as The Catholic Guy, full of inspiration, real-life stories and practical ways to become all that God has created you to be!

Register now or for more information: <https://BruceDownes.org/Advent>