

CANBERRA CENTRAL PARISH

Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE

26 November 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 19 December

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St Brigid's Dickson

Saturday

9:30am-10:00am

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

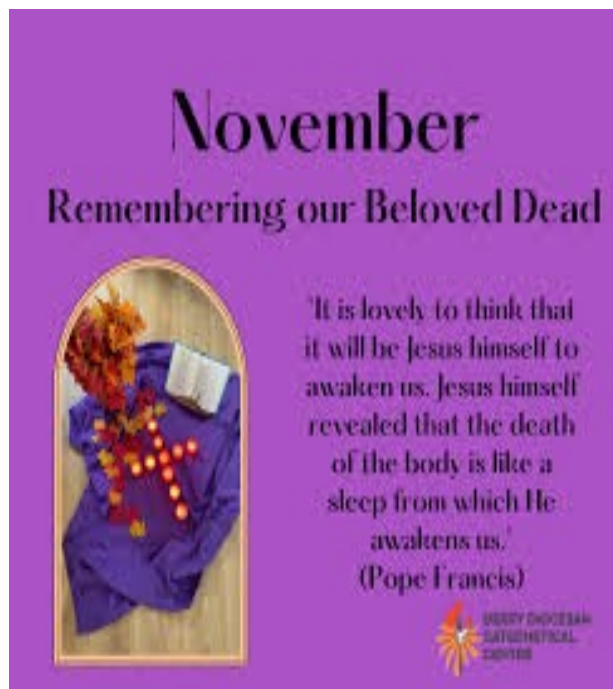
St Patrick's, Braddon: Friday 12.00 noon

Pray the Rosary

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

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

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



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....

FAREWELL TO THE DOMINICANS

Archbishop Prowse will con-celebrate a Mass with the Dominican Provincial, Fr Mannes and several other priests to farewell the Dominican Fathers at 10 am on December 3 at Watson Church with a cuppa and BBQ to follow. This is a once in a generation occasion. Please join us, if you can, to express our thanks for 60 years dedicated to our service and to wish Fr Mannes and his brothers "God speed".



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.

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.

Shepherd's Corner

At the inner North reps meeting during the week, we had the final touches to the restructure first step. The third Blessed Sacrament priest Fr Sebastian has his visa and booked a flight on 9 December, so he and Frs Anthony and Renoir will each be allocated initial pastoral care for each Church and parish. In late January they will reside in Dickson presbytery. More details in coming weeks. Sadly, I will be moving to another parish from late January. But this new appointment by the Archbishop will be made on 7 December.

Early next year the Mass schedules across the Inner North, will be mutually discerned again to find a long term sustainability for when one priest goes on leave etc.

This Sunday the Readings fit in well to promote the ministries in the parish, so at Mass I (or Frs Chris or Khalid)will invite everyone to think of one area of ministry they can help in the parish. Pls take one of the sheets to discern which gift you have to share and bring the joy of service into the community. God's blessing Fr Em

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

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
Altar Society Ros Wiley

ROSTERS THIS WEEK 2/3 DECEMBER

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte Kevin Tee
Readers John & Maryanne Larkin

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte Michael Kelly
Readers Theresa Okwudike, Lindy Dugard
Altar Society Tricia Moore

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte Anna Lee
Readers Fernando Family
Morning Tea Bernadette & Najib Raya
Counting Anne Prendergast, Damian Smith
Church Paul Sukardi & Co
cleaning

Marymead CatholicCare: Canberra & Goulburn extends sincere thanks for your support during 2023. Thank you for your interest and prayer, and for the financial donations made in support of our homeless women at MacKillop House. The generosity of many has enabled so much to occur at MacKillop House, however the need is great! We welcome donations and small or large, they do make a difference! As we are a for purpose organisation all donations over \$2 are tax deductible. You can do so via our website <https://mccg.org.au> and go to the 'donate' box at top right of page (then follow prompts), or by direct transfer: BSB: 062-786; Account Number 00010602; Account Name: CatholicCare Canberra & Goulburn.

Please indicate that the donation is for 'MacKillop House' and email advice to Noelene.quinane@mccg.org.au

Sincere thanks. Every blessing for Advent, Christmas and the approaching New Year.

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'.

Service of Solidarity (Webinar)

– Next Monday 27 November 2023 at 4:30 pm AEDT An opportunity to come together in love, prayer and support as we share messages of hope. Hear from Archbishop Mark Coleridge, Sally Thomas (Caritas Australia's Humanitarian Lead) and Michael McGirr (Caritas Australia's Mission Facilitator).

Monday 27 November

4:30 to 5:00 pm AEDT

Everyone is welcome.

Please register in advance for this webinar:

https://caritas.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DWj-zzhRoGN8QOifg61Zg

(After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.)



Please Pray for

The Sick:

Anita Mitchell, 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:

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

Anniversary: Bill Dominguez, Eleanor Griffiths

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 is a Zoom meeting @ 2pm, on 3 December . More info. please see 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. 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 Mass on 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 Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest - it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Ps 22:1-3, 5-6

R. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. **R.**

Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name. **R.**

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **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

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.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in the proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Mark 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

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