



Canberra Inner North Catholic Community

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Watson Blackfriars Thursday & Friday 9am-1.00pm | **Dickson St Brigid's** Tuesday & Wednesday 9am-1.00pm

O'Connor St Joseph's Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30am-1.00pm

Campbell St Thomas More Thursday and Friday 9.30am-1.00pm

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year B | 3 November 2024

The great commandment given by God to Israel begins with the words: 'Listen, Israel.' The word 'listen' is very important. We can only love God with all our heart and our neighbour as ourselves if we are willing to listen deeply to the voice of God and the cry of our neighbour.

The conversation between Jesus and the scribe in today's Gospel is an encounter of deep listening. Each listens to what the other is saying. The scribe asks Jesus 'which is the first of all the commandments?' He listens closely to Jesus' reply and acknowledges the truthfulness of Jesus' words. At the end, Jesus praises him saying: 'You are not far from the Kingdom of God.'

The greatest respect, indeed, love, that we can show to anyone is to listen to what they are saying, to listen with humility and patience, to listen with the ears of our hearts, to take the risk of allowing what the other person is saying to change us in some way. Perhaps a good resolution for this week is to listen deeply to what one person is saying to us, perhaps a very familiar voice that we hear all the time and pay attention to only rarely. This week, let us seek to listen deeply to that person with the ears of our hearts.

From Gods Word, Daily Reflections 2024

Parish Safeguarding Commitment

Our Parishes are 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 Matthew 18:1-3. Enquiries or concerns please contact: Fr Anthony Riosa SSS—anthony.riosa@cg.org.au - Maria Hicks (Manager) - Phone **02 6239 9806** - Institute of Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) ipss@cg.org.au

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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.

Entrance Antiphon - Cf. Ps 37: 22-23

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help,
O Lord, my strong salvation!

First Reading - Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord the God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: the Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 17(18):2-4,47,51

R: I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise,
when I call I am saved from my foes.

R

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me,
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed.

R

Second Reading - Hebrews 7:23-28

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him. To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

Gospel Acclamation - John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel - Mark 12:28-34

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

Communion Antiphon - Cf Ps 15:11

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

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INNER NORTH

Confirmations

Congratulations to all the children who will receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit through the **Sacrament of Confirmation** at St Thomas More, Campbell this Sunday. May the Holy Spirit lead and guide them throughout their Christian lives. We extend our thanks and prayers to their parents, sponsors, catechists and program co-ordinators.

Baptisms

Congratulations to Vince Tatarelli and Arlo Penrose who will be baptized at St Joseph's, O'Connor this weekend. May their lives be filled with God's peace and their hearts with God's love, on this Baptismal day and all days to come.



Mission Sunday – Thank you

Catholic Mission thanks the CINCC Parishes and all who contributed to the Mission Sunday Appeal last week. Your donations will provide much needed support to missionaries, particularly in Mongolia. If you have yet to bring back your envelope please do so by next week, or you can donate via the Qkr! App or contact Catholic Mission direct.

Mass Cancellations - All Inner North - 18 to 22 November

As our Parish Priests will be attending the Clergy Retreat **18th - 22nd November** there will be no Masses in our Inner North Parishes.

RCIA 2024-25 – commences Tuesday 5 November

Registrations for the Canberra Inner North Community Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) are now open! Sessions will be held twice per month commencing **Tuesday 5 November, 6.30pm at St Brigid's Parish Hall**, 2 Bancroft Street, Dickson. All are welcome including those interested in becoming Catholic, those that are curious about Catholicism and Catholics that would like to deepen and renew their knowledge of the faith. To register, please email the parish office with your name and contact number (e) innernorth@cg.org.au.

BLACKFRIARS, WATSON

Mass and Adoration Cancelled - Friday 8 November

Mass and Adoration will not be held on Friday 8 November. Adoration will be held on Thursday 7 November from 6-7pm instead.

Recitation of the Rosary- Sunday 10th November

The Luminous mysteries will be recited for 'The Pope and vocations to the Priesthood' on Sunday the 10th November at 9-30 am. Please join with other parishioners for this recitation.

Thank you from the Zochling family

The Zochling family would like to extend their thanks to Fr Renoir and all who attended Hugh Zochling's funeral Mass to celebrate his life.

ST THOMAS MORE, CAMPBELL

Spring Clean Volunteers Needed - 2 November

We need YOU to help us do a spring clean inside the STM church on Saturday Nov 2 from 9am. Come and help us do a stock take of all the paraphernalia we have accumulated over the past 60 years. Many hands make light work. Come for 5 minutes or 5 hours - any help will be greatly appreciated!

St Thomas More Parish 60th Anniversary Celebration - 17 November

We invite you to celebrate 60 years with us! Celebrations commence at 10am with a family Mass, which will be followed by BBQ brunch and lawn games. 30 White Crescent, Campbell.

OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

May they find peace and comfort in the embrace of the Lord:

James Tran, Una Ford, Peter Tormey, Patrick O'Hagen, Cecilia Skene, Nola Gundry, Juana Mercado, Hubert Zochling.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Doris Mary Grech, Jan Joseph, Thomas Thomas, Carlos Navarro, Fr. Jordan Perry, Cedric Spanos, Charles Gaudencio, Florence Gaudencio, Margaret Gaudencio.

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Brian Brown, Margaret Cahill, Una Bell, Sue King, Robin Lees, Maggie McKeon, Margaret Collett, Willy Ong, Ruth Schwensen, Paul Thorpe, Noel Tanzer, Wendy Altamore, Steve Sedgwick.

Prayer intentions will remain in the bulletin for four weeks. You are welcome to email the parish office if you would like to renew your prayer request.

ST JOSEPH'S O'CONNOR

Catholic Mission Talk - 2/3 November

Peter Hade, Director of Catholic Mission for the Archdiocese, will give a brief talk at this weekend's Masses. You can donate via the Qkr! app or by taking a Catholic Mission envelope (available in the church foyer).

St Joseph's Children's Liturgy - from 3 November

We are excited to announce the launch of Children's Liturgy at Saint Joseph's Parish, starting this weekend Sunday, 3 November! This special program is designed to engage our youngest parishioners in the liturgical celebration, providing them with a meaningful way to participate in Mass. **Volunteers are needed!** If you love working with children and would like to be a part of this enriching experience, we would love to hear from you! If you're interested in volunteering or have any questions, please contact Fiona via the Inner North Office: innernorth@cg.org.au. Please reference "St Joseph's Children's Liturgy" in the subject line.

Colour Run & Family Picnic Day - 3 November

At St Joseph's Primary School. There will be food & drink stalls, games & activities including a colour run. Profit's will be donated to MacKillop House. RSVP or offer help: <https://form.jotform.com/242677833426061>

The Men of St Joseph - 6 November

The Men of St Joseph meet on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. The group will be meeting in the St Joseph's parish hall this Wednesday 6 November starting with the Rosary at 7.30pm. Please contact Andrew Italiano on 0422 929 536 for more information.

PARISH BULLETIN - DEADLINE for notices is

12 pm **WEDNESDAY**

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CENTRAL CANBERRA, BRADDON & DICKSON**Meeting Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Devotees - 13 November**

We are having a meeting for all those who come to St Brigid's for adoration on Wednesdays. Please come along Wednesday 13 November at 5.30pm in the hall. Anyone who is interested in Adoration in our parish is very welcome to attend to share ideas and have a cuppa. Contact 0450 323 712 for further information.

ARCHDIOCESE**Hearts on Fire! Listening to the Holy Spirit! 9 November**

You are welcome to the 2024 Archbishop's Day for Charismatic Renewal. Saturday 9 Nov 8:30am-3pm @ St Peter Chanel's Church, To register, go to: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1298594>

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CLERGY & PARISH**Contribute to the First Collection:**

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Reference: Your parish location, name and intention (e.g. Campbell Smith 1st collect)

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MASS, SACRAMENT & DEVOTION TIMES - week ending 10 November

	Blackfriars, Watson	St Brigid's, Dickson	St Joseph's, O'Connor	St Patricks, Braddon	St Thomas More, Campbell
Mass					
Sunday	10.00am 5.00pm	9.30am 5.00pm Vietnamese Mass - 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month	8.30am	8.00am	10.00am
Tuesday to Thursday	5.30pm	9.00am	9.15am	12.30pm	
Friday	5.30pm	9.00am	9.15am	12.30pm	11.45am - 1st & 3rd Friday of the month
Saturday	5.00pm (vigil)	9.00am 6.00pm (vigil)	8.30am 6.00pm (vigil)		
Reconciliation					
Friday			8.15 - 9.00am - during Holy Hour	12.00 - 12.30pm	
Saturday	4.00 - 4.30pm	9.30 - 10.00am 5.30 - 5.50pm	5.15 - 5.45pm		
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament					
Tuesday			8.15 - 9.10am		
Wednesday		8.00am - 8.00pm			
Thursday	6.00 - 7.00pm				
Friday	6.00 - 7.00pm				11.30am - 12.30pm
Saturday		9.30 - 10.00am			
Anointing of the Sick					
Sunday		After 9.30am Mass - 3rd Sunday of the month			11.15am - 1st Sunday of the month
Saturday			Within 8.30am Mass - 1st Saturday of the month		
Rosary Prayers					
Tuesday to Friday		8.30am	After 9.15am Mass		
Saturday		8.30am	8.15am Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help		