



# Canberra Inner North Catholic Community

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

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

## 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year B | 17 November 2024

Today's Gospel presents an apocalyptic vision of the end of the world. In this vision, the sun, and the moon and stars, which seem so stable, are suddenly shaken and violently come crashing down. Hopefully none of us will experience the end of the world in this way. But we can all experience times when our personal worlds seem to be falling apart and crashing all around us. Perhaps some structures that were very important to us, and that we thought would always be there, have collapsed. Or perhaps some people, on whom we relied greatly, are suddenly taken from us. We feel that our world has come crashing down.

These are terrible experiences but they can also be moments of grace, moments in which we experience the Lord entering our lives with great power and glory, as today's Gospel describes. We can experience God's presence in some way that inspires in us a joy and confidence that our actual situation cannot justify. Our being is uplifted: our heart rejoices, our soul is glad, even our body rests in safety. We learn to place all our hope in God. We pray with confidence, 'Keep us safe, you are our hope.'

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](mailto:anthony.riosa@cg.org.au) - Maria Hicks (Manager) - Phone **02 6239 9806** - Institute of Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) [ipss@cg.org.au](mailto: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 - Jeremiah 29:11,12,14**

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.

You will call upon me, and I will answer you,  
and I will lead back your captives from every place.

**First Reading - Daniel 12:1-3**

At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.

**Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 15(16):5,8-11**

*R: Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.*

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;  
it is you who are my prize.  
I keep the Lord ever in my sight; since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

*R: Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.*

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety.  
For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay.

*R: Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.*

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence,  
at your right hand happiness for ever.

*R: Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.*

**Second Reading - Hebrews 10:11-14,18**

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. He, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place forever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

**Gospel Acclamation - Luke 21:36**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Be watchful and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel - Mark 13:24-32**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father. '

**Communion Antiphon - Psalm 72:28**

To be near God is my happiness,  
to place my hope in God the Lord.

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**INNER NORTH**

**Mass Cancellations**

**All Inner North - 18 to 22 November**

Our Parish Priests will be attending the Clergy Retreat **18th - 22nd November**. There will be no Masses in our Inner North Parishes during this time.

**Teens Youth Group - 23 November**

We are once again meeting up for another youth group for teenagers at 7pm on Saturday 23rd of November! Join us at St Brigid's Parish hall for good company and discussion on Catholic life (oh, and there's pizza too). If any teen you know is interested, contact us at [youth.innernorth@cg.org.au](mailto:youth.innernorth@cg.org.au).

**Vessels Combined Youth Group - 24 November**

Any children in grades 3-6 across the Inner North can join us at 6pm on Sunday November 24th, in Holy Rosary Parish Hall in Watson for one final youth group left in the year! To finish off with a bang, we've got plenty of fun and games mixed with opportunities to grow together in faith. If interested, contact us at [youth.innernorth@cg.org.au](mailto:youth.innernorth@cg.org.au).

**RCIA 2024-25 - next Tuesday 26 November**

The Canberra Inner North Community Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is underway. The third session will be held on **Tuesday 26 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](mailto:innernorth@cg.org.au).

## Archdiocesan Assembly 2024 – Synthesis Report seeks responses

As part of the Year of the Holy Spirit, over 550 people across the Archdiocese gathered on 19 October 2024 to discern 'what seems good to the Holy Spirit and us' (Acts 15:28). The Assembly was a step on a pilgrim journey of discernment, which you are invited to join as the journey continues.

A synthesis report of the Assembly is available at <https://www.cgevangalisation.org.au/response/>. The report invites responses to questions listed at page 20. Please read the report and consider responding. Copies of the questions will be left on the tables at the exits of Holy Rosary Church.

## Virtual Advent Series

Advent is a time to prepare, wait and hope for the coming of Jesus into our world and lives. Garratt Publishing is offering a perfect opportunity to enrich your Advent journey with their free Virtual Advent Series. The series consists of talks by three Australian biblical scholars from *Yarra Theological Union, a College of the University of Divinity*. Each week this group of accomplished guides will work together to explore the readings for the week. Speaking from their own area of expertise will be: Prof Mary Coloe PBVM, Dr Mary Reaburn NDS and Dr Chris Monaghan CP. Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/2ec3zct9> (or Google "Garratt Publishing Advent Series").

## BLACKFRIARS, WATSON

### "The Light" Advent reflection resource

The Parish is offering parishioners, by donation, a copy of the Advent reflection resource "The Light".

The Advent Program is a pocket-sized book that includes daily reflections from the beginning of Advent to the Baptism of the Lord. The book also includes beautiful artwork from the Masters with accompanying artwork reflections. More information and samples of previous years resources can be found here: <https://www.dow.org.au/media-resources/advent-program/>

Please place an envelope with your donation, name and contact details in the collection or contact the parish office: (e) [Innernorth@cg.org.au](mailto:Innernorth@cg.org.au) or (m) 0416 823 447 to secure your copy.

## Gang Gang - 21 November

Our gathering outdoors at Gang Gang on Thursday 21/11 at 10-30 am will be the last one for 2024 in Frencham Street, Downer.

We would hope to resume our third Thursday morning gatherings on the 20th February 2025 at our usual time. Newcomers welcome.

## Celebration of Thanksgiving for service to the parish - 24 November

At 10am Mass on 24 November, Feast of Christ the King, we will be celebrating all the people who serve and give of themselves in our parish community.

Everyone is invited to give thanks for the spirit of mutual love and service at the heart of our parish. A festive morning tea will follow in the parish centre. Please bring a plate!

## OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

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

Margaret Collett, James Tran, Una Ford, Peter Tormey, Patrick O'Hagen, Cecilia Skene, Nola Gundry.

## IN LOVING MEMORY

Doris Mary Grech, Jan Joseph, Thomas Thomas, Vanda Godfrey, Ashley La'Porte, Bro Harrison, Fr Rafael Cabezon, Joe Monteen.

## THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Scott Allberry, Brian Brown, Margaret Cahill, Una Bell, Sue King, Robin Lees, Maggie McKeon, 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.*

## Recitation of the Rosary- 24th November

There is still time for you to offer to lead the Rosary on Sunday 24th November at 9-30 am in Holy Rosary church using the microphone. The Glorious mysteries will be recited to offer thanksgiving for favours received and private intentions. Just add your name to the roster in the church porch.

## St Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Appeal - 30 Nov/1 Dec

The St Vincent de Paul Society is holding its annual Christmas Appeal as a leaving collection at Holy Rosary Masses on the weekend of 30 November and 1 December. Cash donations will be accepted and there will information in future bulletins about donating online. Receipts will be available. As ever, Vinnies appreciates the great support of the Watson Parish community.

## ST THOMAS MORE, CAMPBELL

## St Thomas More Parish 60th Anniversary Celebration - THIS SUNDAY 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.

## ST JOSEPH'S O'CONNOR

## The Men of St Joseph - 20 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 20 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

### Healing Service - 17 November

Every third Sunday, 9.30am Mass is followed by a Healing Service at St Brigid's Church, Dickson. The next will be held this Sunday 17 November.

### Parish Christmas Lunch - 14 December

REGISTRATIONS OPEN - Our Parish Christmas lunch will be held at Yowani Country Club, Lyneham at 12 noon (for a 12.30pm start). Cost is \$50 a head for a two course meal. TICKET SALES at Masses on 23/24 Nov and 30 Nov/1Dec or scan the QR



Code to register via the Qkr! app. 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.

## CONTRIBUTIONS TO CLERGY & PARISH

### Contribute to the First Collection:

Account Name: Central Presbytery Fund  
 BSB: 062-786 - Bank Account: 00029248  
 Reference: Your parish location, name and intention (e.g. Campbell Smith 1st collect)

### Contribute to your parish:

**Canberra Central** : A/C Name Canberra Central Parish  
 BSB: 062786 A/C: 00013150 Ref: Name & Giving Number

**Blackfriars**: A/C Name: Blackfriars Parish Watson  
 BSB: 062786 A/C: 00013341 Ref: Name & Giving Number or via Qkr! mobile app.

**St Joseph's**: A/C Name: St Joseph's Parish  
 BSB: 062 786 A/C: 00012798 Ref: Name & Giving Number or via Qkr! mobile app

**St Thomas More**: A/C Name: St Thomas More Parish  
 BSB: 062786 A/C: 00014869 Ref: Name & Giving Number or via Qkr! mobile app.

## MASS, SACRAMENT & DEVOTION TIMES - week ending 24 November

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