

CANBERRA CENTRAL PARISH

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

19 February 2023

St Brigid's
Cnr Bancroft & Wilshire Sts, Dickson

St Patrick's
Cnr Donaldson & Cooyong Sts, Braddon

Year A

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Wed 9.30 – 4.00pm,
Fri 1.00 – 4.00pm

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 (see weekly updates below)

Tuesday to Saturday: 9:00am (St Brigid's)

Tuesday to Friday: 12:30pm (St Patrick's)

Goodwin Village Ainslie

Nursing Home: next Mass Tues 21st Feb

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

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

Please Note: No 9am Mass Tues & Friday (only a liturgy) at Dickson until further notice. There is a 9.15am at O'Connor and 5.30pm at Watson on Tuesday and Fridays. Next Tues Mass on 7 March



<https://catholicdioceseofwichita.org/>

Ash Wednesday Masses:

9.00 and 7.30 am St Brigid's

9.30 St Thomas Campbell with the school

12.30pm Braddon

Entrance Antiphon

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love.

My heart will rejoice in your salvation.

I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

Communion Antiphon

I will recount all your wonders,

I will rejoice in you and be glad,

and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Continues ,with the next meeting 23rd February 7:30pm in the Dickson Parish Hall. We continue our journey exploring the Catholic Faith with a current resource *Evangelium*. All welcome. For more info contact Fr Emil at emil.milat@cg.org.au or 0414 523 036.

New Parishioners Welcome Morning Tea

Sunday 19 March 10.30 am

We invite all new Parishioners to put their names on the sheet in the foyer. The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) would like to welcome you with a special morning tea. All parishioners are invited to come along after the 9.30am Mass to welcome them- you might bring something to share! **Note** : this is also the Feast Day of St Joseph!

CAR BOOT SALE: Claim the date Saturday 15th April in Dickson St Brigid's car park. More info to follow.

SHEPHERD'S CORNER

At the Parish Pastoral Council meeting last week we set a date for a long overdue welcome new parishioners cuppa. We have not had one since covid.

I have personally tried to meet up with new parishioners who have contacted me after Mass or via email etc. But it is also important to greet them as a community. Details of the cuppa on 19 March are above.

All are invited to welcome them, we can also celebrate the feast days of Sts Patrick and Joseph on that day!

God's Blessing Fr Em

Flower Display: Thank you to 3 people who can help with flower displays. Anyone else interested to help with flower arranging in St Brigid's

Vacuuming Braddon Church: we need a person or two to help monthly, if you are interested pls contact the parish office.

ROSTERS THIS WEEK 18/ 19 FEBRUARY

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte	Kevin Tee
Readers	John & Maryanne Larkin
Morning Tea	Paul & Gabrielle Messina

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte	Ashley Bawden
Readers	Michael Kelly & Jenny Francis

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte	Dominica Rossi
Readers	Fernando family
Counting, Church clean-	Mary Boyle, Ros Wiley Fran & Delanie, Carl & David
Altar Society	Ros Wiley

ROSTER THIS WEEK 25/26 FEBRUARY

Saturday 6:00pm St Brigid's

Acolyte	Paulus Sukardi
Readers	Marjorie Rego & Mairead Thomas

Sunday 8:00am St Patrick's

Acolyte	Marc Adorni-Brassecci
Readers	Theresa Okwudike & Mary Boyle
Altar	Barbara Anderson

Sunday 9:30am St Brigid's

Acolyte	Gabrielle Messina
Readers	Dominica Rossi & Marie-Connie Lowery
Counting Church cleaning	Anne Prendergast, Damien Smith Ling & Flora, Mithma Fernando, Maria Lusiany

Planned Giving

Thanks again to those giving electronically. We will have the collection box in front of the altar like before lockdown, so please feel free to bring your envelopes. The Dickson church is now open during the day and the tap machines on if you would like to make a donation that way also.

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'.

Sacrament of First Reconciliation: the enrolment for this Sacrament was on Sunday 12 February at the 9:30am Mass Campbell. For those who are still interested in enrolling their child, please contact Parish office as soon as possible. The actual celebration of the Sacrament will be Saturday 18 March at 11:30am in St Thomas More Church Campbell. This Sacrament is for children in year 2 or older. campbell@cg.org.au or Fr Emil.

Lenten Books The Parish has purchased copies of the book from Wollongong Diocese which features some of the well renowned spiritual writers in Australia, and beautiful art work. They are available from the parish office for \$10 including GST. Note Ash Wednesday is 22 February.



Please Pray for

The Sick



Brenda Currer, Joan Goodwin, Nadine Hartley, Gabriel Hengkiarto Indra, Mary O'Hanlon, Theresa Okwudike, Alphonsa Bankobsky, Dave Senior, Baby Remi Elliott, Tony Bandle

Recently Deceased :Domingo Apolinar, Isaac Hampton, Vin Kane

Anniversary: Silvio Rossi

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

Resumed Wednesday 25th January. Weekly Adoration in Dickson church, we will continue Wednesdays in 2023 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 continues in 2023 also each Saturday 9.30-10.00am.

Living in God's Divine Will Prayer Group

We meet in the Parish Office – 1st Sunday of the Month 2-3pm. and also with a zoom option.

Zoom ID 6486731697 and

passcode 2602.

For more info. please 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 any-time. For more information contact Sherree on 0407 610 526.

Craft Group

Craft Group will resume on Wednesday, 8 February at 1pm in St. Brigid's Parish Hall. New members welcome. An opportunity to knit, sew or work on any project, and enjoy good company with afternoon tea. Enquiries Mary Boyle 0450 060 526

Courtesy of Australia Needs Fatima

Parish Youth Group

The next Parish Youth Group will Saturday 4 March at 7pm in the Dickson Parish Hall. We will invite parents to stay for a pot luck pizza dinner BYO. We will have the pizza oven going and Youth Ministry will run activities for the youth. We will also watch a short video about Lent.

Archdiocesan Youth and Young Adults

This Team are running a youth evangelisation outreach fortnightly on Sunday nights at Braddon church. Called Sunday Sessions - a BBQ followed by a talk and praise and worship music. The next event will be later in February. For more info contact Christian Nobleza 0498 372 645.

Next Finance Committee Meeting

Saturday 11 March 11:30am in the Parish Office.

First Reading Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

The Lord spoke to Moses; he said: 'Speak to the whole community of the sons of Israel and say to them: "Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy." "You must not bear hatred for your brother in your heart. You must openly tell him, your neighbour, of his offence; this way you will not take a sin upon yourself. You must not exact vengeance, nor must you bear a grudge against the children of your people. You must love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 102:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **R.**

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. **R.**

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults. **R.**

As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.
As a father has compassion on his sons,
the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **R.**



Second Reading 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

Make no mistake about it; if any one of you thinks of himself as wise, in the ordinary sense of the word, then he must learn to be a fool before he really can be wise. Why? Because the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. As scripture says: The Lord knows wise men's thoughts: he knows how useless they are; or again: God is not convinced by the arguments of the wise. So there is nothing to boast about in anything human: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, the world, life and death, the present and the future, are all your servants; but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

Gospel Acclamation 1 John 2:5

Alleluia, alleluia!
Whoever keeps the word of Christ,
grows perfect in the love of God.
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 5:38-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.'

'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit? Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not? And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

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