



Canberra Inner North Catholic Community

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Parish Offices Opening Hours: Dickson St Brigid's 9am-1.00pm Tuesday, Campbell St Thomas More 9am-1.00pm Friday
O'Connor St Joseph's 9am-1.00pm Wednesday, Watson Blackfriars 9am-1.00pm Thursday

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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Pentecost Sunday



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Dickson ACT 2602
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2602

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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.

REFLECTION: Today's gospel is from John 20:19-23 which reminds us of the transforming power of Jesus. Jesus breathes His spirit into His disciples to give them new life. Now, as they receive the Holy Spirit, they will have the power over sins.

It is also a great reminder for us - the people of God. We need to understand how the Holy Spirit works in our lives every day. In times where everything is a mess and we are down, the Spirit of God will breathe into us. The Holy Spirit will keep us going and help us bear the burdens we carry.



Entrance Antiphon - Wisdom 1: 7

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

First Reading - Acts 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm - Ps 103(104):1,24,29-31,34

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches.

You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord.

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised,

2nd Reading Cont: Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.
Alleluia!

Gospel - John 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

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

Communion Antiphon
is Not recited when hymns are sung.

Communion Antiphon—Acts 2: 4, 11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

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BAPTISMS

Michael O'Kelly

who will be baptised at Holy Rosary
Watson
this weekend.

May his life be filled with God's peace and his heart with God's love, on this Baptismal day and all days to come.



ARCHDIOCESAN ASSEMBLY

As part of the Year of the Holy Spirit and leading into an Archdiocesan Assembly later this year, please join others from across the Archdiocese for prayerful dialogue in the spirit of synodality (walking together). Do this by participating in one or more sessions of a Roundtable Series that is currently underway.

Future topics: Our Common Home: Justice, Outreach and Integral Ecology (24 May); Seek the City: Faith in the Public Sphere (22 June); Reconciliation and First Nations: Healing Wounds, Receiving Gifts (7 July); Roundtable on Women (1 Aug); The Voice of the Child: Safeguarding the Gift of our Children and Vulnerable (4 Sept). For more info and to register, go to <https://www.cgevangelisation.org.au/roundtables/>. If you want to connect with others in our inner north community interested in this series, please contact Emily at emilykathrynhall@gmail.com.

ST THOMAS MORE FORUM — 14 JUNE

Friday 14 June 2024: Engaging an AI Generation featuring Fr Rob Galea.

Forum and Dinner:: Mercure Hotel
Braddon: 6.45 for 7.30pm
\$99 (Dinner and Wine)

Fr Rob, based in Victoria, is an internationally acclaimed author, singer and songwriter and founder of the FRG Ministry, a charity organisation ministering to 1.4 million people each year.

To register, go to <https://bit.ly/stmf-140624> or contact the parish office.



VINNIES WINTER APPEAL—1-2 JUNE

Vinnies helps more than 330 individuals and families in need across the Inner North Community Parishes.

We will be holding a leaving collection after Masses on the weekend of 1-2 June to support the Vinnies Winter Appeal. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible. Further details to follow in the coming weeks.



BLACKFRIARS, WATSON

Training, Formation and Commissioning of Liturgical Ministers for Blackfriars on 25/26 May

As forecast earlier this month, all current and new Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers, Readers and Volunteers to visit the sick and housebound are invited to attend a training and formation session after the 5pm Mass at Watson on Saturday 25 May from approximately 6 to 7pm with Father Renoir. This session will broadly cover the following:

- legal (diocesan) responsibilities & requirements;
- spirituality of the Holy Eucharist; and
- procedural activities for the various liturgical ministries at Holy Rosary.

GRILL'D AND GOD RETURNS— TUES 21 MAY

If you or someone you know is in highschool from years 8 to 12, join us for a night of live music, food and great conversations! Kickstarting a youth 'Theology of the Body series', our first session is on 'Rizz & God' – all about finding authentic love amidst a culture of red flags.

Join us on Tuesday the 21st of May, from 5pm to 7pm at Grill'd in Manuka! For questions or enquiries, and to let us know you're coming, email Anita Donaldson at youth.cathedral@cg.org.au

May 25 | menALIVE Weekend for Men

Held at MHoC Parish, Sacred Heart Church in Pearce on the weekend of 25 & 26 May. MHoC along with menALIVE experienced leaders will hold a retreat. A weekend of talks, personal testimonies & opportunities for discussion & space to reflect. Please register at: <https://canberracatholic.men> Enq: Matt Wolnicki 0438 446 489, Fr Emil 0414 523 036.



The Eucharist is the supreme proof of the love of Jesus. After this, there is nothing more but Heaven itself

~ Peter Julian Eymard

CENTRAL CANBERRA, BRADDON AND DICKSON

Inner North Alpha – St Brigid's & St Patrick's Parish Representative

An Inner North Alpha course is being planned for later this year, to be organised and run by the Blackfriars Parish Renewal Team working with a representative of each of the other Inner North parishes. **St Brigid's & St Patrick's is seeking a parishioner who would like to undertake this role.**

Alpha is a way of building community and helping people discover, renew or deepen their faith. It's an opportunity to explore life and Christianity in a friendly, open and informal environment. Meetings provide a space for conversations about faith, life and God. It is a place where friends can be invited to 'come and see'.

Alpha is typically an 11 week course (which can be shortened) involving food, a talk or video, and conversation. The plan is to hold the sessions on a Sunday at 2.30pm, starting 4 August 2024, and rotate the venue among the four Inner North parishes.

If you'd like to be the St Brigid's & St Patrick's representative for this Alpha, please let Bill Meani (blink52@tpg.com.au) know.

St Brigid's Healing Service—19 May

3rd Sunday 9.30am mass will be followed by the healing service supported by the Community of the Risen Lord.

St Brigid's Community of the Risen Lord Weekly Meeting

Every Friday, meeting commences with Holy Mass at 7.00pm followed by a live message and live adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.



ST JOSEPH'S O'CONNOR

CHURCH REPAIRS - CALL FOR QUOTES

We are seeking tradespeople referrals for repairing and making good the presbytery garage roof/ceiling following water damage. Please contact Fr Anthony 'Thonn' Riosa for details.

CLINICAL PASTORAL CARE PROGRAM

A Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) 5-day course is a great way to get a feel for pastoral and spiritual care and includes topics such as: What is Pastoral/Spiritual Care; empathy; grief and loss; spiritual reflection, and self-care.

This course is excellent for Eucharistic Ministers visiting homes, volunteers in Aged Care, schools or prisons, or anyone contemplating a career change to Pastoral Care. The course runs Wednesdays, July 10-Aug 7, 9-5pm in Deakin, cost is \$450. It is followed by a longer CPE unit for those interested in more in-depth training in spiritual care. Enrolments by end May.

Please contact Susanne Schmidt on 0431 243 486 or at susannecpe@gmail.com

SPAM ALERT—WATCH OUT FOR SCAMS

There are a range of spam emails circulating again. These emails have addresses which look similar to clergy, parish or religious addresses and request money, gift cards or similar and often mention someone who is very sick or dying.

BE CAREFUL. Do not respond or open links in any emails, texts, WhatsApp etc of this kind.

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF
MARY MACKILLOP
PILGRIMAGE
15th – 26th
October 2024



Australian National Pilgrimage
DON'T MISS OUT

JOIN US on the official Pilgrimage created and led by the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart for the last 28 years. An all inclusive 12 day organised pilgrimage to sacred sites in VIC, SA & NSW.

FIND OUT MORE PHONE: (02) 8912 4818
OR EMAIL: national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au
OR www.marymackillopplace.org.au



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OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Our recently Deceased: May they find peace and comfort in the embrace of the Lord.

Stephen Hall, Carmel Ford, Fr Thomas P Brophy (brother of Maureen Quaine), Kathy Honor, Jose Rico

IN LOVING MEMORY

Barbara Anne Avis, Joseph Grzic, Amelia of Fatima, Tom Petry, Maria Lucy Condemi, Albertina and Luis Dos Santos, Edna O'Brien, Carmelo Strazzeri

CONTRIBUTIONS TO PRIEST & PARISH

Contribute to the First Collection.

Account Name: Central Presbytery Fund
BSB: 062-786 - Bank Account: 000029248
Reference: Use your Parish Location to assist in correct allocation & Your Name (e.g. Campbell Smith)

Planned Giving: Planned Giving is a weekly, fortnightly or monthly contribution to the first and/or second collection via cash, direct Debit or credit card. By contributing set amounts regularly you help the parish to forecast and budget its ongoing expenses. If you are new to Planned Giving and would like more information, please contact the Parish Office.

PLEASE NOTE: Existing Planned Giving arrangements have not changed. If you have established a regular deduction, that will continue. For information, Planned Giving account details for each Parish follow. These can be used to set up new regular deductions.

Canberra Central : A/C Name Canberra Central Parish
BSB: 062786 **A/C:** 000013150 **Ref:** Name & Giving Number

Blackfriars: A/C Name: Blackfriars Parish Watson
BSB: 062786 **A/C:** 000013341 **Ref:** Name & Giving Number

St Joseph's: A/C Name: St Joseph's Parish
BSB: 062 786 **A/C:** 000012798 **Reference:** Parish & Name

St Thomas More: A/C Name: St Thomas More Parish
BSB: 062786 **A/C:** 000014869 **Ref:** Campbell/Surname

PARISH BULLETIN - DEADLINE for notices is 4 pm WEDNESDAY
Ph: 0416 823 447 **email:** innernorth@cg.org.au

In Your Prayers please remember those in our community who are ill:

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Pat Turnbull, Hugh Zochling, Ray Hempel, Joseph Nguyen, Christine Nguyen, Evelyn Matriano, Davide Verri, Bedelia delos Santos, Sabina - Mary Coles, Mary Pavey, Anne Corver, Sue King, Barbara Wilson, Una Bell, Philip Bailey, Peter Catlin, Rosa Maria Santos, Gloria Sibley, Beth Delos Santos, Fr Ellis Clifford, Una Ford, June Pollard, Philip Cruz, Maureen Blood, Robin Lees, Awny El-Ghitany, Pamela Sandy, Elizabeth Webster, Colleen Brackett (& friend Jackie), Baby Remi Elliott, Tony Bandle, Clare Packer, Robyn Cross, Paul Thorpe, Joycelyn Maclean (and her daughter Kahren), Ernst Willheim, Mahsa Raoofian, Lyn Mowbray, Lily Copeland, Neville Caulfield, Maggie McKeon, Carmel Slammon, Alphonso & Maria Bankovsky

WEEKDAY & SATURDAY MORNING MASSES

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
St Patrick's (Braddon)		12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm	12:30pm	
St Thomas More's (Campbell)					11:45am*	
St Brigid's (Dickson)		9:00am	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am	9:00am
St Joseph's (O'Connor)		9:15am	9:15am	9:15am	9:15am	8:30am
Holy Rosary (Watson)		5:30pm	5:30pm	5:30pm	5:30pm	
ACU-Signadou (Watson)			12:00 noon**			

* During school term, as advised when Classes attend.

** Wednesdays during University Terms (Term 1: 14/2/24-29/5/24; Term 2: 29/7/34-28/10/24)

SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY MASSES

	Saturday Vigil Mass	Sunday Morning & Evening Masses				
		8:00am	8:30am	9:30am	10:00am	5:00pm
St Patrick's (Braddon)		8:00am			10:00am*	
St Thomas More's (Campbell)					10:00am	
St Brigid's (Dickson)	6:00pm			9:30am		5:00pm**
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	6:00pm		8:30am			
Holy Rosary (Watson)	5:00pm				10:00am	5:00pm
ACU-Signadou (Watson)						

* German Mass

** Vietnamese Mass (1st & 3rd Sundays)

ADORATION & SACRAMENTS

	Reconciliation
St Patrick's (Braddon)	12:00pm – 12:30 Friday
St Brigid's (Dickson)	9:30am – 10:00am Saturday 5:30pm – 5:50pm Saturday
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	During Holy Hour 8:15am – 9:00am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 5:30pm – 6:00pm Saturday
Holy Rosary (Watson)	4:00pm – 4:30pm Saturday
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
St Patrick's (Braddon)	
St Brigid's (Dickson)	8:00am – 8:00pm Wednesday
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	8:15am – 9:15am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
Holy Rosary (Watson)	6:00pm – 7:00pm Friday
Pray the Rosary	
St Brigid's (Dickson)	8:30am Tuesday to Saturday
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	After morning Mass Tuesday, Wed (Cenacle), Thursday, Friday
Holy Rosary (Watson)	Before 10:00am Mass, 1 st & 3 rd Sundays
Anointing of the Sick	
St Joseph's (O'Connor)	8:30am First Saturday of the month
St Thomas More (Campbell)	11:15am First Sunday of the month