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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord | Year C | 13 April 2025 Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem



Jesus' passion is made up of a supper, the garden, Jesus' arrest, the Jewish and Roman trials, the way of the cross, crucifixion and mockery, and the death and burial of Jesus. But each Evangelist tells this story in a different fashion. Luke insists upon Jesus' innocence, and his tender care and compassion for others. He asks that the disciples break their bodies and spill their blood in memory of him. Jesus tries to strengthen his frail disciples, insisting upon the need for prayer. As Peter utters his denials, Jesus gazes at him, and the disciple breaks down in tears. Jesus is declared innocent three times, even as he is condemned to death. The women of Jerusalem lament the loss of one of their sons. The crucified asks his Father to forgive those who have tortured him, for they do not know what they are doing. On the cross he forgives the repentant sinner, assuring him that this day he would be with him in paradise. At his death, a Roman Centurian insists that this man was innocent. Jesus' broken body is anointed by his faithful women followers. All take their rest, as we anticipate the resurrection.

From God's Word, Daily Reflections, 2025

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.riosacg.org.au - Maria Hicks (Manager) - Phone **02 6239 9806** - Institute of Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) ipssc.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.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



Entrance Antiphon - Cf. Jn 12: 1, 12-13; Ps 23: 9-10

Six days before the Passover,
when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem,
the children ran to meet him;
in their hands they carried palm branches
and with a loud voice cried out:

Hosanna in the highest!
*Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant
mercy!*

O gates, lift high your heads;
grow higher, ancient doors.
Let him enter, the king of glory!
Who is this king of glory?
He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.

Hosanna in the highest!
*Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant
mercy!*

First Reading - Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me
a disciple's tongue.
So that I may know how to reply to the wearied
he provides me with speech.
Each morning he wakes me to hear,
to listen like a disciple.
The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance,
neither did I turn away.
I offered my back to those who struck me,
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
I did not cover my face
against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help,
so that I am untouched by the insults.
So, too, I set my face like flint;
I know I shall not be shamed.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

All who see me deride me.
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him if this is his friend.'

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet
I can count every one of my bones.

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me!

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.
Revere him, Israel's sons.

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Second Reading - Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine,
yet Christ Jesus did not cling
to his equality with God
but emptied himself
to assume the condition of a slave
and became as men are;
and being as all men are,
he was humbler yet,
even to accepting death,
death on a cross.
But God raised him high
and gave him the name
which is above all other names
so that all beings
in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,
should bend the knee at the name of Jesus
and that every tongue should acclaim
Jesus Christ as Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation - Philippians 2:8-9

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
Christ became obedient for us even to death,
dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high
and gave him a name above all other names.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke - Luke 23:1-49

Key: **N.** Narrator. **✠** Jesus. **O.** Other single speaker.
C. Crowd, or more than one speaker

N. The elders of the people and the chief priests and scribes rose, and they brought Jesus before Pilate. They began their accusation by saying,
C. We found this man inciting our people to revolt, opposing payment of the tribute to Caesar, and claiming to be Christ, a king.
N. Pilate put to him this question:
O. Are you the king of the Jews?
N. He replied,
✠ It is you who say it.
N. Pilate then said to the chief priests and the crowd,
O. I find no case against this man.
N. But they persisted,
C. He is inflaming the people with his teaching all over Judaea; it has come all the way from Galilee, where he is started, down to here.
N. When Pilate heard this, he asked if the man were a Galilean; and finding that he came under Herod's jurisdiction he passed him over to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time.
Herod was delighted to see Jesus; he had heard about him and had been wanting for a long time to set eyes on him ;moreover, he was hoping to see some miracle worked by him. So he questioned him at some length; but without getting any reply. Meanwhile the chief priests and the scribes were there, violently pressing their accusations. Then Herod, together with his guards, treated him with contempt and made fun of him; he put a rich cloak on him and sent him back to Pilate. And though Herod and Pilate had been enemies before, they were reconciled that same day. Pilate then summoned the chief priests and the leading men and the people. He said,
O. You brought this man before me as a political agitator. Now I have gone into the matter myself in your presence and found no case against the man in respect of all the charges you bring against him. Nor has Herod either, since he has sent him back to us. As you can see, the man has done nothing that deserves death, So I shall have him flogged and then let him go.
N. But as one man they howled,
C. Away with him! Give us Barabbas!
N. (This man had been thrown into prison for causing a riot in the city and for murder.) Pilate was anxious to set Jesus free and addressed them again, but they shouted back,
C. Crucify him! Crucify him!
N. And for the third time he spoke to them,
O. Why? What harm has this man done? I have found no case against him that deserves death, so I shall have him punished and then let him go.
N. But they kept on shouting at the top of their voices, demanding that he should be crucified. And their shouts were growing louder.
Pilate then gave his verdict: their demand was to be granted. He released the man they asked for, who had been imprisoned for rioting and murder, and

handed Jesus over to them to deal with as they pleased.
As they were leading him away they seized on a man, Simon from Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and made him shoulder the cross and carry it behind Jesus. Large numbers of people followed him, and of women too, who mourned and lamented for him. But Jesus turned to them and said,
✠ Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep rather for yourselves and for your children. For the days will surely come when people will say, 'Happy are those who are barren, the wombs that have never borne, the breasts that have never suckled!' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us!'; to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if men use the green wood like this, what will happen when it is dry?
N. Now with him they were also leading out two other criminals to be executed.
When they reached the place called The Skull, they crucified him there and the two criminals also, one on the right, the other on the left. Jesus said,
✠ Father, forgive them; they do not know what they are doing
N. Then they cast lots to share out his clothing. The people stayed there watching him. As for the leaders, they jeered at him saying,
C. He saved others, let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.
N. The soldier mocked him too, and when they approached to offer vinegar they said,
C. If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.
N. Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'
O. Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us as well.
N. But the other spoke up and rebuked him:
O. Have you no fear of God at all? You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
N. He replied,
✠ Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise.
N. It was now about the sixth hour and, with the sun eclipsed, a darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. The veil of the Temple was torn right down the middle; and when Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, he said,
✠ Father, into your hands I commit my spirit.
N. With these words he breathed his last.
All kneel and pause a moment
When the centurion saw what had taken place, he gave praise to God and said,
O. This was a great and good man.
N. And when all the people who had gathered for the spectacle saw what had happened, they went home beating their breasts.

All his friends stood at a distance; so also did the women who had accompanied him from Galilee, and they saw all this happen.

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REFLECTIONS FOR PALM SUNDAY

The Church celebrates today as both Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday. It is on Palm Sunday that we enter Holy Week, and welcome Jesus into our lives, asking him to allow us a share in his suffering, death and Resurrection. This is also the time we remember and relive the events which brought about our redemption and salvation. That is why the Holy Week liturgy presents us with the actual events of the dying and rising of Jesus. The liturgy also enables us to experience vicariously, here and now, what Jesus went through then. In other words, we commemorate and relive during this week our own dying to sin and selfishness and rising in Jesus, which result in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption. No wonder Greek Orthodox Christians greet each other with the words, "Kali Anastasi" (Good Resurrection), not on Easter Sunday but on Good Friday. They anticipate the Resurrection. Just as Jesus did, we, too, must lay down our lives freely by actively participating in the Holy Week liturgies. In doing so, we are allowing Jesus to forgive us our sins, to heal the wounds in us caused by our sins and the sins of others and to transform us more completely into the image and likeness of God. Thus, we shall be able to live more fully the Divine life we received at Baptism. Proper participation in the Holy Week liturgy will also deepen our relationship with God, increase our Faith and strengthen our lives as disciples of Jesus. But let us remember that Holy Week can become "holy" for us only if we actively and consciously take part in the liturgies of this week. This is also the week when we should lighten the burden of Christ's passion as daily experienced by the hungry, the poor, the sick, the homeless, the lonely and the outcast through our corporal and spiritual works of mercy. The Palm/Passion Sunday liturgy combines contrasting moments, one of glory, the other of suffering: the welcome of Jesus into Jerusalem and the drama of his unjust trial and suffering, culminating in his crucifixion and death.

Vatican New

PALM SUNDAY

As we celebrate Palm Sunday we are called to identify with those who joyfully welcomed Jesus as the promised Messiah. But as we hear today's Passion Narrative we must accept Jesus' understanding of what that role really meant. We must accept Him on His own terms, not ours! Whether or not we are comfortable with the way of God works in our lives and in the world, or whether or not we like the answers we receive to our prayers. The primary issue and main point of our reading is to show that in what Jesus Christ did in his passion, the Lord our God revealed himself as already being on our side. Like the first disciples, it will take time for us to learn how to pray. As we struggle with our faith and with life in general it is important to remember that no matter how difficult or painful the experiences may be, God is still on our side. God is with us in all we experience!

Remembrance -

Today I will
remember the
God is on my side.



PALMS

'The palm tree was considered in Biblical times as a princely tree and was used as a symbol of victory and well-being and also as temple decoration. Among both the Romans and the Jews, it was carried in joyful or triumphant processions. At Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, people strew palm branches in his path and greeted him with Hosannas. Before Ash Wednesday, blessed palm is burned, and its residue is used in the distribution of ashes as a symbol of penance during Lent.'

From the Catholic Enquiry Centre

REFLECTION

Palm Sunday, is a day of many journeys but the particular journey we remember today is that of Jesus riding on an ass from Bethany into Jerusalem to begin his Passion. The crowd hails him exultantly as 'he who comes in the name of the Lord', but that same crowd, fickle as ever and reflecting our own moral instability, will in a few days cry out with the demand for his crucifixion. 'Perhaps the most important journey we make during our lives, and which we should contemplate every Holy Week, is from our own sin and selfishness to a life lived with God. That journey is made possible by yet another journey we remember today, Jesus' ultimate journey to Calvary. Today, and for the rest of this week, we join our life's journey with his and our two journeys merge on the same road as we accompany him on his journey towards our salvation.

Excerpt Fr Anthony Axe OP

THE GREAT WEEK

We enter, from Palm Sunday, the Great Week, that is Holy Week. It is the highest week of days in the Church calendar and thus a solemn time for us all.

In Holy Week we re-visit those cornerstone events of our faith-Our Lord's entry into Jerusalem where is hailed as the King of the Jews, to the betrayal of the Lord on Spy Wednesday. We then commemorate on Holy Thursday the threefold institution of the Ministerial Priesthood, the Holy Eucharist and the Law of Loving service our neighbour. On Good Friday we once more recall the supreme sacrifice of God's only begotten Son, the Lamb whose blood is shed to wash our sins away. Finally on Holy Saturday Eve we celebrate the most solemn event of the Church calendar and the Mother of all vigils-The Easter Vigil. At the Easter Vigil we celebrate light overcoming darkness and death being conquered by life. We celebrate the resurrection of the Lord Jesus and the life giving sacrament of baptism, the sacrament which we have all received and which links us on the deepest level to all the events we've been celebrating-the paschal mystery.

I pray that you will be able to join us for the triduum of services as we follow Jesus in his final hours. May the Risen One bless you all and draw you more deeply to himself.

Fr Mannes Tellis OP

HOLY WEEK

Church's holiest week. But before we get into the moving farewell of Jesus to his disciples on Easter Thursday, the despair of Good Friday and then the Resurrection on Easter Sunday, there is Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. 'Jesus comes to Jerusalem (the "City of Peace" but he brings it a peace that is different from that which prevails in a purely political sense. It is a peace grounded in God ("heaven") and God's action – a peace that will meet with rejection from those who interests it threatens.'

HOW DO WE VALUE HUMANITY?

As we move toward Holy Week, we consider Jesus' brief confinement in Jerusalem before his trial on Good Friday, and the parallels this has for the many asylum seekers, and then reflect on our lives and nation.

In Australia the lives of people who have sought protection mirror Jesus' confinement in Jerusalem at the end of the week that began so promisingly on Palm Sunday. For him that was a relatively short time of lost freedom, of concealment behind thick walls, of casual brutality, of sudden invisibility, of arraignment before judges who had already decided to have him killed, from being a human agent to being a cipher in other people's games.

They look out on the Australians who have done this to them and ask what we value, what price we put on humanity and compassion, what values we have. As they look out, they invite us to look inwards and to reflect on our lives and our nation.

[Excerpt Fr Andrew Hamilton SJ](#)

INCLUDING YOUTH | Jim Auer

If we were somehow able to witness a Roman crucifixion, especially one preceded by a horrific, brutal scourging, we would probably throw up. Today, brutal executions are routinely perpetrated by repressive governments, crime mobs, human traffickers and gangs. Would you be willing to pray (and not just a 5-second quick prayer) or do an act of penance for those about to be victimized? If asked, "Do you want to be like Jesus?" most people would automatically answer "yes." From the agony and injustice of the cross, Jesus asked that the people who put him there be forgiven. What's our track record on forgiving people who mistreat us?



OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

May they find peace and comfort in the embrace of the Lord:
Peter Dore, Caterino Tammaro, Dr Barry John Price, Wendy Altamore, Anne Balfour O'Brien, Davina Godfrey, Joy Pollard, Uqasha Imran Amjad, Kitty Mullaney

IN LOVING MEMORY

Frank Tighe, Mary Bui, Sr Joy Belt RSCJ, Paul Doyle, Norbertus Purba, Felipe Miragaya, Dominica Cortese, Helen Olsen

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Elsie Ong Lee, Maria Pham, Madelon Harvey, Errol Whitson, Patricia Brown, Robin Lees, Maggie McKeown, Colleen & Robin Lees, Noel Tanzer

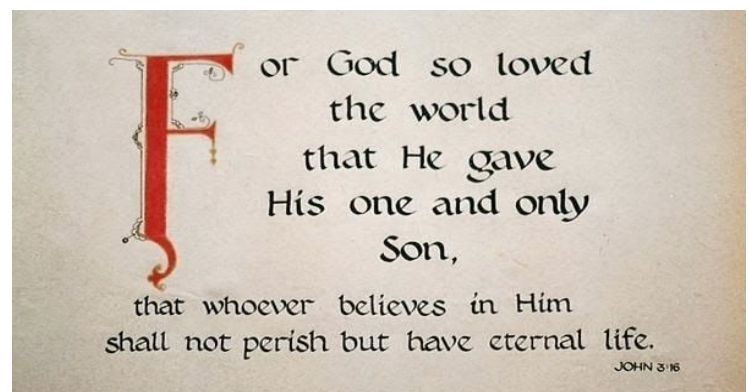
Prayer intentions will remain in the bulletin for four weeks. You are welcome to email the parish office if you would like to renew your prayer request.

You Were Made for Relationship with Jesus

"It is Jesus you seek when you dream of happiness; he is waiting for you when nothing else you find satisfies you; he is the beauty to which you are so attracted; it is he who provokes you with that thirst for fullness that will not let you settle for compromise; it is he who urges you to shed the masks of a false life; it is he who reads in your hearts your most genuine choices, the choices that others try to stifle.

"It is Jesus who stirs in you the desire to do something great with your lives, the will to follow an ideal, the refusal to allow yourselves to be grounded down by mediocrity, the courage to commit yourselves humbly and patiently to improving yourselves and society, making the world more human and more fraternal." [\(Aug. 19, 2000\)](#)

Saint John Paul II



"Apart from the cross, there is no other ladder by which we may get to heaven."

- St. Rose of Lima



CANBERRA INNER NORTH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Holy Week Schedule

PALM SUNDAY - Saturday 12 April

5:00 pm Holy Rosary Church, Watson
6:00 pm St Brigid's Church, Dickson
6:00 pm St Joseph's Church, O'Connor

PALM SUNDAY - Sunday 13 April

8:00 am St Joseph's Church, O'Connor
8:00 am St Patrick's Church, Braddon
9:30 St. Brigid's Church, Dickson
10:00 am St Thomas More's Church, Campbell
10:00 am Holy Rosary Church, Watson
5:00 pm Holy Rosary Church, Watson

HOLY MONDAY- 14 April

9:00 am St Brigid's Church, Dickson
9:15 am St Joseph's Church, O'Connor
12:30 pm St Patrick's Church, Braddon
5:00 pm Chrism Mass
St Christopher's Cathedral, Manuka

HOLY TUESDAY- 15 April

9:00 am St Brigid's Church, Dickson
9:15 am St Joseph's O'Connor
12:30 pm St Patrick's Church, Braddon
5:30 pm Holy Rosary Church, Watson

HOLY WEDNESDAY- 16 April

9:00 am St Brigid's Church, Dickson
9:15 am St Joseph's O'Connor
12:30 pm St Patrick's Church, Braddon
5:30 pm Holy Rosary Church, Watson

C O N F E S S I O N

St Joseph's Church, O'Connor - Tuesday, 15 April at 7:00 pm
Sts Brigid's and Patrick's Churches - 30 minutes prior to all weekday masses in Holy Week
Holy Rosary Church, Watson - Good Friday, after the Way of the Cross

HOLY THURSDAY- 17 April

Mass of the Lord's Supper

6:00 pm St Brigid's Church, Dickson
7:00 pm St Joseph's Church, O'Connor
7:00 pm Holy Rosary Church, Watson
• vigil to the Altar of Repose after the mass

GOOD FRIDAY- 18 April

Way of the Cross

10:00 am Holy Rosary Church, Watson
10:00 am St Joseph's Church, O'Connor
11:00 am St Patrick's Church, Braddon

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

3:00 pm St Brigid's Church, Dickson
3:00 pm St Joseph's Church, O'Connor
3:00 pm Holy Rosary Church, Watson

EASTER VIGIL- 19 April


7:00 pm St Brigid's Church, Dickson
7:00 pm St Joseph's Church, O'Connor
7:00 pm Holy Rosary Church, Watson

EASTER SUNDAY- 20 April

8:00 am St Patrick's Church, Braddon
8:30 am St Joseph's Church, O'Connor
9:30 St. Brigid's Church, Dickson
10:00 am St Thomas More's Church, Campbell
10:00 am Holy Rosary Church, Watson
• NO 5:00 pm mass

*"By the Eucharist, God is present to us;
by Communion, we enter into intimacy with Him."*

St Peter Julian Eymard



Holy Land Good Friday Appeal

Dear faithful people of the Archdiocese,
Each year on Good Friday the Catholic Church in Australia takes a special collection in support of the Holy Land Commissariat under the care of the Franciscans. As this year is particularly painful in the Holy Land due to increased violence, and as many of our parishioners have walked on the land Jesus where Jesus walked, I urge you to support this important collection. Of the \$1,534,519.59 raised in Australia last Good Friday, our Archdiocese contributed \$43,809.55. Please consider helping us raise above last year's generous response. Thank you for your support.
Fr Richard

CHRISM MASS - Join the Archbishop and the Clergy of the Archdiocese on Monday 14 April at 5.00pm in St Christopher's Cathedral, Forrest for this most beautiful Holy Week Mass. It is in this Mass that the **Holy Oils** used in the various Sacramental Rites of the Church are blessed and consecrated. Everyone is most welcome.

INNER NORTH

Project Compassion - Please return Project Compassion boxes and envelopes as soon as possible. You can give them to the Acolyte or bring them to the office during office house.

CENTRAL CANBERRA, BRADDON & DICKSON

Those to be Baptised & Confirmed at Easter at St Brigid's

For all those being baptised and/or confirmed at the Easter Vigil ceremony this year on the 19th April please note there is a rehearsal for ceremony at 6:30pm at St Brigid's Dickson on Tuesday 15th April. We look forward to seeing you all then.

Eucharistic Encounter Catechesis Each Tuesday evening at 5pm prior to our RCIA meetings. All are very welcome.

MAY 10 - The celebration day of 'Recognition for all Volunteers of St Brigid's' to be held at 10.00am Mass on 10 May. Afterwards a morning tea will be held. All welcome please bring a plate to share.

BLACKFRIARS, WATSON

Vigil Mass 19 April: Invites Parishioners attending the Saturday Vigil Mass to stay after the Mass for Supper. All are most welcome to join us in the Parish Centre.

Recitation of the Rosary

The Rosary roster for May will be available soon in the church foyer. Please consider leading or joining with other parishioners in reciting the prayer at 9-30 am on Sunday mornings in church before our 10 am mass. The Mystery and Intention are included for leaders to announce at the beginning of the prayer. Thank you

St Vincent de Paul Society: Watson Conference

needs your help to volunteer! Watson Conference of SVDP assists community members in need in the suburbs of Watson, Hackett, Downer and Dickson. We would love to hear from you if you are able to give a couple of hours per week – particularly if you live in Dickson or attend Mass at St Brigid's. Richard Marson from your local Vinnies conference will be available after masses this weekend at St Brigid's to answer any questions you may have. Alternatively you can contact on 0466234446, if you are able and interested, please indicate your availability.

ST JOSEPH'S O'CONNOR

Children's liturgy -

Will not be held on Palm Sunday or Easter Sunday but will recommence Sunday 4 May, Term 2

MORNING TEA

There will be a morning tea after Easter Sunday Mass. Please join us in the parish centre. Bring a plate to share if you can.

Easter Celebrations

Adoration and Prayer

Religious Communities and parishioners are invited to adoration and prayer after the 7pm Thursday of the Lord's Supper until midnight and after the 3pm Good Friday the Passion of the Lord.

Bring Flowers for Venerating the Cross

Parishioners are encouraged to venerate the cross at the 3pm Good Friday liturgy with flowers from home.

Bring your bell

Parishioners are encouraged to bring bells as part of the celebrations on Holy Thursday and Saturday Easter Vigil to ring during the Gloria.

Bring water for blessing

Parishioners are welcome to bring a bottle of water from home to be blessed at the Saturday Vigil or Easter Sunday Mass.

Help us clean our church on Easter Saturday

morning 10am Come along and help us vacuum and spruce up our church after the busy Thursday and Friday liturgies.

Calling for Volunteers – St Joseph's Cleaning

Crew St Joseph's is calling for volunteers to vacuum, mop and clean the Church and Parish Centre including bathrooms every week. We will create a Saturday morning roster for volunteers (a minimum of 2 people per weekend) to ensure our beautiful Church is ready for the weekend Masses. Vacuum cleaners, cleaning and equipment will be provided – all we need is your time and cleaning talents (about 1.5 hours per week). Please contact Warwick McDonald (Chair, Pastoral Council) by email warwick.mcdonald3@bigpond.com

The Men of St Joseph - 16 April 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 16 April starting with the Rosary at 7.30pm. Please contact Andrew Italiano on 0422 929 536 for more information.

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 via the “Qkr!” mobile app or direct deposit:

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.

St Joseph's: A/C Name: St Joseph's Parish
 BSB: 062 786 A/C: 00012798 Ref: Name & Giving Number.

St Thomas More: A/C Name: St Thomas More Parish BSB: 062786 A/C: 00014869 Ref: Name & Giving Number.

MASS, SACRAMENT & DEVOTION TIMES - week ending 20 April 2025

	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 - <i>1st & 3rd Sunday of the month</i>	8.30am	8.00am	10.00am
Tuesday to Friday	5.30pm	9.00am	9.15am *Stations of the Cross every Friday after morning Mass*	12.30pm	11.45 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	11.30 - 12.30pm	11.00-11.30 1st & 3rd Friday Monthly
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					
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 Thursday *During Lent*		8.30am	After 9.15am Mass	12.10pm	
Saturday Sunday	9.30am	8.30am	8.15am -Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help		