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Jesus' love for his own 'to the end', means 'without the slightest condition'. It is unconditional love that moves him to act as the humblest slave, undress (as he will be undressed at the cross) and washing the disciples' feet. Simon Peter will not allow it, but Jesus tells him that it is essential, if he wants to have any part with Jesus and his future. Peter fails again - asking that Jesus washes him all over! The disciples rightly recognise that Jesus is the Master and Lord, but they do not recognise that humble loving service is the hallmark of all who wish to call themselves followers of Jesus. Jesus has given them an example: that they do for one another what he has done for them. A little later in this chapter of the Gospel, Jesus says this in a slightly different way: 'Love one another, as I have loved you.'

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) ipsscg.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: Gal 6:14

We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered

First Reading - Exodus 12:1-8,11-14

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: 'This month is to be the first of all the others for you, the first month of your year. Speak to the whole community of Israel and say, "On the tenth day of this month each man must take an animal from the flock, one for each family: one animal for each household. If the household is too small to eat the animal, a man must join with his neighbour, the nearest to his house, as the number of persons requires. You must take into account what each can eat in deciding the number for the animal. It must be an animal without blemish, a male one year old; you may take it from either sheep or goats. You must keep it till the fourteenth day of the month when the whole assembly of the community of Israel shall slaughter it between the two evenings. Some of the blood must then be taken and put on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses where it is eaten. That night, the flesh is to be eaten, roasted over the fire; it must be eaten with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. You shall eat it like this: with a girdle round your waist, sandals on your feet, a staff in your hand. You shall eat it hastily: it is a Passover in honour of the Lord. That night, I will go through the land of Egypt and strike down all the first-born in the land of Egypt, man and beast alike, and I shall deal out punishment to all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord! The blood shall serve to mark the houses that you live in. When I see the blood I will pass over you and you shall escape the destroying plague when I strike the land of Egypt. This day is to be a day of remembrance for you, and you must celebrate it as a feast in the Lord's honour. For all generations you are to declare it a day of festival, for ever."

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 115(116):12-13,15-18

Our blessing-cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

How can I repay the Lord

for his goodness to me?

The cup of salvation I will raise;

I will call on the Lord's name.

Our blessing-cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful.

Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds.

Our blessing-cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

A thanksgiving sacrifice I make;
I will call on the Lord's name.
My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people.

Our blessing-cup is a communion with the Blood of Christ.

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you: that on the same night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.' In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

Gospel Acclamation - Jn13:34

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel - John 13:1-15

It was before the festival of the Passover, and Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to pass from this world to the Father. He had always loved those who were his in the world, but now he showed how perfect his love was.

They were at supper, and the devil had already put it into the mind of Judas Iscariot son of Simon, to betray him. Jesus knew that the Father had put everything into his hands, and that he had come from God and was returning to God, and he got up from table, removed his outer garment and, taking a towel, wrapped it round his waist; he then poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel he was wearing. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, 'Lord, are you going to wash my feet?' Jesus answered, 'At the moment you do not know what I am doing, but later you will understand.' 'Never!' said Peter 'You shall never wash my feet.' Jesus replied, 'If I do not wash you, you can have nothing in common with me.' 'Then, Lord,' said Simon Peter 'not only my feet, but my hands and my head as well!' Jesus said, 'No one who has taken a bath needs washing, he is clean all over. You too are clean, though not all of you are.' He knew who was going to betray him, that was why he said, 'though not all of you are.'

When he had washed their feet and put on his clothes again he went back to the table. 'Do you understand' he said 'what I have done to you? You call me Master and Lord, and rightly; so I am. If I, then, the Lord and Master, have washed your feet, you should wash each other's feet. I have given you an example so that you may copy what I have done to you.'

Communion Antiphon - Cf. John 13: 4,5,15

After the Lord had risen from supper, he poured water into a basin and began to wash the feet of his disciples: he left them this example.

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INNER NORTH

Please Note : 22-24 April There will be no Mass celebrated at St Brigid's, St Patrick's or Blackfriars Churches

CENTRAL CANBERRA, BRADDON & DICKSON

Stations of the Cross- During Lent the Community of the Risen Lord will be reflecting on the Way of the Cross every Friday at 7.00pm at St Brigid's Church, Dickson. Holy Mass follows at 7.30pm,

May 10 - Adoration at 9:00 - 9:45 and 10:00 am Mass.

BLACKFRIARS, WATSON

VOLUNTEERS are required for the Easter

ceremonies: Volunteers are needed to prepare the Church for Good Friday. On Saturday morning in preparation for the Easter Mass there are a number of jobs to prepare the Church for the evening Mass. There will be a supper after the Mass to celebrate our Catechumens and Candidates help with the supper will be needed. A sign up-sheet is in the foyer if you can help with any of these tasks.

Anzac Day - April 25 Mass will be celebrated at 9.00 am instead of the regular 5.30pm time

Recitation of the Rosary - We still have few copies of the 'Rosary' for sale in the parish office during the week for \$2. Please consider joining the parishioners who gather each Sunday morning to recite this prayer with the leader before our 10 am mass. Roster in the Foyer

ST JOSEPH'S O'CONNOR

Children's Liturgy - Will resume Sunday May 4, Term 2
On all Fridays of the Lenten Season. The Stations of the Cross will take place immediately after the 9.15am Mass and again at 6pm lead by the Syriac Catholic Community

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

The "Unpacking the Creed" journey has now come to an end.. At the same time, a new journey has started: "Unpacking the short sayings of Jesus". The group meets fortnightly, in St Joseph's church, on Thursdays, 11m-12. The next meeting is on Thursday 24 April, 2025, Everybody welcome,. For more information, contact Anna.Wierzbicka@anu.edu.au.

OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

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

William Korab, Diarmuid Battisson, Carmel Masters, Peter Dore, Caterina 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, 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.

Easter Celebrations

Adoration and Prayer

Religious Communities and parishioners are invited to adoration and prayer after the 7pm Holy 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 to clean our Church on Easter Saturday morning at 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 bathroom 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

Account Security - It is in the interest of our accounts security that we will no longer publish this information in the bulletin. Please contact the Parish office for your particular Parish BSB and Account Number.

Contribute to the First Collection:

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

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MASS, SACRAMENT & DEVOTION TIMES - week ending 27 April

	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 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		