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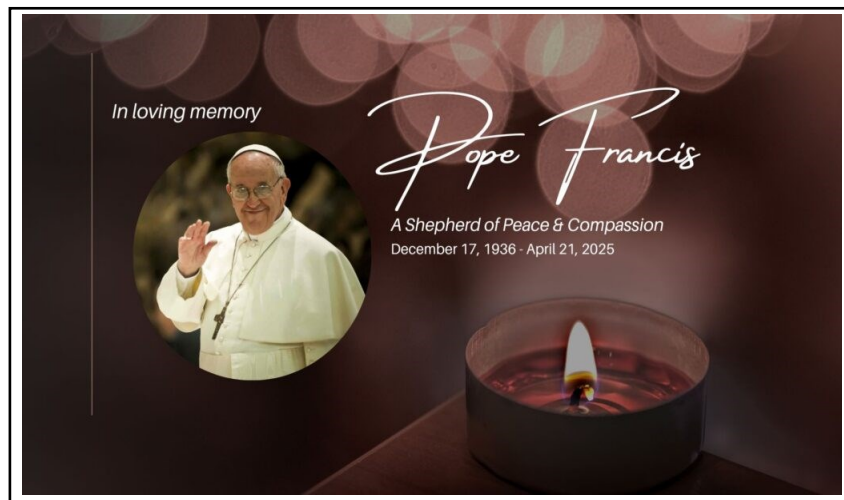
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Divine Mercy Sunday - Second Sunday of Easter | Year C | 27 April



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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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 - 1 Pt 2: 2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

First Reading - Acts 5:12-16

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 117(118):2-4,22-27

R :Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say:
 'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say:
 'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
 'His love has no end.' **R**

The stone which the builders rejected
 has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
 a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord;
 we rejoice and are glad. **R**

O Lord, grant us salvation;
 O Lord, grant success.
Blessed in the name of the Lord
 is he who comes.
We bless you from the house of the Lord;
 the Lord God is our light. **R**

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

Second Reading - Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One, I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation - John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!
You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!
Alleluia!

Gospel - John 20: 19-31

In the evening of that same day, 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.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.
Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon - Cf. Jn 20: 27

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails,
and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

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INNER NORTH

Upon the death of our Pope Francis, let us unite to pray for his eternal repose and for the whole Catholic Church that in this time of mourning we may continue to be more grounded in the hope of Easter glory. Let us entrust ourselves in the loving mercy of God as we celebrate the Divine Mercy Sunday.

Caritas Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2025. Through your generosity you are helping to empower communities with hope and helping those in great need shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities. Lives change when we all give 100%.
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Penrose Park: Jubilee Pilgrimage:

Saturday 7 June 2025: Join us for a special Inner North Pilgrimage as part of the Jubilee Year 2025, a day dedicated to prayer, reflection, and encounter.

Together, we will journey in faith through:

- **Mass** – Celebrating the Eucharist as the source and summit of our pilgrimage
- **Reconciliation** – Receiving the grace of God's mercy in the Sacrament of Confession
- **Rosary** – Praying with Our Lady as we reflect on the mysteries of Christ
- **Fellowship & Lunch** – Sharing time together in faith and community. Please register your interest with Emily at emilykathrynhall@gmail.com. A bus will be organised to pick up and return parishioners from Holy Rosary Watson. Tentative departure at 8:30am with a return by 3pm.

BLACKFRIARS, WATSON

Taizé – Prayer, Silence, Meditative Song

Sunday, 6pm. Holy Cross Anglican / St Margaret's Uniting. 4 May, 1 June.

Recitation of the Rosary - May Rosary roster.
The May roster is now in the church foyer for leaders to sign.

OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

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

William Korab, Diarmund Battison, Carmel Masters, Peter Dore, Caterina Tammaro, Dr Barry, Wendy Altamore, Anne Balfour O'Brien, Davina Godfrey, Joy Pollard, Uqasha Imran Amjad, Kitty Mullaney

IN LOVING MEMORY

Carmel Ford, Albertina Dos Santos, Ron Wiley, Frank Tighe, Mary Bui, Sr Joy Belt RSCJ, Paul Doyle, Norbertus Purba, Felipe Miragaya, Dominica Cortese, Helen Olsen

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Carmel Slammon, Elsie Ong Lee, Maria Pham, Madelon Harvey, Errol Whitson, Patricia Brown, Robin Lees, Maggie McKeown, 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.*

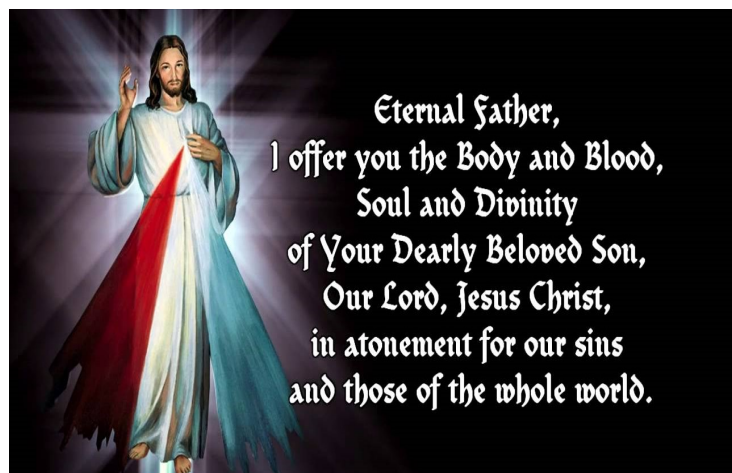
Gang Gang - After the demise of the Catholic Women's' league (CWL) some years ago, a few members decided that parishioners be invited to gather socially at a local cafe every third Thursday morning of the month. Over the past four to five years we have been meeting at 'GangGang cafe and bar' in Downer at 10-30 am. We have been served well by Jamie and his staff, always welcoming and especially accommodating of our fluctuating numbers each month. Birthday cakes were a highlight when we celebrated Sr Veronica Dunphy's (RSCJ) 100th and 101st birthdays at the cafe. Brother Francis McKinnon.OP, was a regular attendee before his departure to Adelaide early 2024. It is now time to draw this chapter of our parish's social life to a close. Thank you to those parishioners who joined us as regularly as they were able over the years and especially at 'GangGang' Carmel T Lewis.

ST JOSEPH'S O'CONNOR

Carlo Acutis - The first Millennial Saint who was to be Canonised on 27 April has now been postponed due to the death of our Pope Francis—more information to follow when received.

Joseph's Parish Assembly – Save the date – Sunday 15 June 2025 Everyone is warmly invited to St Joseph's Parish Assembly on **Sunday 15 June 1-3pm** (followed by afternoon tea). The Assembly will examine how St Joseph's community can realise our Catholic mission of evangelisation and discern a way forward for the union Canberra's Inner North Parishes. The Assembly will use the Conversation in the Spirit framework to provide a prayerful gathering that allows the Holy Spirit to guide listening, reflection and discernment. Additional information on the Conversation in the Spirit process will be provided in advance of the Assembly. Please register your attendance by Sunday 7 June 2025 via email to Warwick (PPC Chair)

warwick.mcdonald3@bigpond.com



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MASS, SACRAMENT & DEVOTION TIMES - week ending 4 May

	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	12.30pm	11.45 1st & 3rd Friday of the Month While Fr Anthony is away on leave
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 - as above
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					
		8.30am	After 9.15am Mass	12.10pm	
Saturday Sunday	9.30am	8.30am	8.15am -Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help		