



# Canberra Inner North Catholic Community

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Tuesday to Friday 9am to 1pm

**Fourth Sunday of Easter | Year C | 11 May 2025**



## Prayer for our New Pope Leo XIV

Faithful God,  
You guide us on the path of life  
and your goodness is our constant companion.  
Be with our new Shepherd, Pope Leo XIV, in his service of the Church.  
Fill him with the power of your Spirit, the peace of your presence  
and the compassion of Christ.  
May he walk with you, in wisdom and humility,  
and lead us, together with all God's people,  
to embody your love for the world.  
Amen.

## 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](mailto:anthony.riosacg.org.au) - Maria Hicks (Manager) - Phone **02 6239 9806** - Institute of Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) [ipssc.org.au](mailto:ipssc.org.au)

## Parish Safeguarding Officers

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Watson ACT 2602

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### CANBERRA CENTRAL incl:

ST BRIGID'S 2 Bancroft St  
Dickson ACT 2602

ST PATRICK'S 1 Donaldson St  
Braddon ACT 2612



### ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

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30 White Crescent  
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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.

PARISH BULLETIN - DEADLINE for notices is **12pm WEDNESDAY**

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**Entrance Antiphon - Cf. Ps 32: 5-6**

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;  
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made,  
alleluia.

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**First Reading - Acts 13:14,43-52**

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the Sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next Sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside. But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**

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**Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 99(100):1-3,5**

**R :We are his people, the sheep of his flock.**

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing for joy . **R**

Know that he, the Lord, is God.

He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R**

Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.

He is faithful from age to age . **R**

**R :We are his people, the sheep of his flock**

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**Second Reading - Apocalypse 7:9,14-17**

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of

the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;  
I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life;

they will never be lost

and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater than  
anyone,

and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'

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**Gospel Acclamation - John 10:14**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

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**Gospel - John 10:27-30**

Jesus said: 'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life; they will never be lost

and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater than  
anyone, and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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**Communion Antiphon**

The Good Shepherd has risen,

who laid down his life for his sheep

and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

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<b>INNER NORTH</b>
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**Clergy Assembly 19 - 24 May 2025**

**Please Note:**

There will be no Mass celebrated in each of the Inner North Churches for the dates provided above. **Regular Mass**

**schedule resumes at a Saturday Vigil Mass 24 May 2025**  
**RCIA meetings - Save the date !**

will commence again in July, date to be advised shortly. If you are interested please contact the Parish office via

[innernorth@cg.org.au](mailto:innernorth@cg.org.au)

## Baptisms

Congratulations to Zoe and Charlie Slater and also Ali Samadi who will be baptized at Holy Rosary Watson this weekend. May their lives be filled with God's peace and their hearts with God's love, on this Baptismal day and all days to come.

**Project Compassion** - Thank you for your contribution to this appeal. If you have requested a receipt these will be in the foyer of the Church.

## Good Shepherd Appeal - 11 May 2025

There is a letter from the Archbishop on the noticeboard in the foyer with details of how to contribute or you can also use the barcode included in the bulletin. It is also available through your Parish Qkr! Under "Special Appeals"



## Combined Youth Group – Sunday 25 th May

We're starting up our youth group for kids aged from year 3-6 for all families across the Inner North! Join us for a Nerf Battle!! We kick off right after 10am Mass at Holy Rosary, Watson on Sunday 25th of May. Feel free to bring your own nerf guns! For more information, contact us at [youth.innernorth@cq.org.au](mailto:youth.innernorth@cq.org.au).

## Young Adults Adoration – Sunday May 25th

Are you a young adult looking for a community to worship with? We have a new event just for you! Join us for Adoration on Sunday 25th of May at St Patrick's in Braddon at 3pm. We'll have some afternoon snacks beforehand, as well as some songs of praise to worship together! Stay tuned to our Instagram at [@youth.innernorth](https://www.instagram.com/youth.innernorth) or email [youth.innernorth@cq.org.au](mailto:youth.innernorth@cq.org.au).

## CENTRAL CANBERRA, BRADDON & DICKSON

## Healing Service - 18 May 2025

This will follow the 9.30am Mass, please see the flyer at the foyer.

## BLACKFRIARS, WATSON

### Taizé – Prayer, Silence, Meditative Song

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

### GangGang -

Reply from Jamie and all the GangGang team.  
'You have all been real stalwarts of GangGang for such a long time and it will be very sad for us all to see you less often. I will pass on your compliments to the staff and chefs. It was a pleasure to serve you and your group over the time'

### 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

## OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

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

Norma Birch, Maria Strazzeri, Neville Finnegan, Peter Loc Nguyen, William Korab, Diarmund Battison, Carmel Masters, Peter Dore, Caterina Tammaro, Dr Barry John Price, Wendy Altamore

## IN LOVING MEMORY

Adelaida Vargas, Joan Meech, Patricia Kearns, Caterina & Domenico Teofila Baylin, Barbaro, Leslie Mann, Vivian Lynda Ruiz, Tony Petry, Carmel Ford, Albertina Dos Santos

## THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Laura Nuessler, Carmel Slammon, Elsie Ong Lee, Maria Pham, Madelon Harvey, Errol Whitson, 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.*

- **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](mailto: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.

**Recitation of the Rosary** - May Rosary roster.

The May roster is now in the church foyer for leaders to sign

## ST JOSEPH'S O'CONNOR

**Children's Liturgy** - Please join us each Sunday at 8.30 am, all children very welcome.

## 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](mailto:warwick.mcdonald3@bigpond.com)

## ST THOMAS MORE, CAMPBELL

### Save the Date!

We are delighted to invite you to the 2025 St Thomas More Feast Day Parish Dinner and the 20th Annual St Thomas More Forum Lecture.

This year's lecture will be presented by Bishop Tony Percy, the new auxiliary bishop for the Archdiocese of Sydney.

**Topic:** *Will it be lawful to be a Christian in 2050?*

And what the ACT compulsory takeover of Calvary

Hospital means for Australia

**Date:** Friday, 27 June 2025 – 6:45 pm for 7:30 pm  
**Venue:** Mercure Hotel, Limestone Avenue, Braddon  
**Cost:** \$99 (includes dinner and wine)  
**R.S.V.P.:** By 11 am, Friday 20 June 2025  
**Bookings:** Please call 0416 823 447

**St Thomas More Assembly Review** -Calling all members of the STM Community! We need your feedback on the summary documents following the recent St Thomas More Assembly. Were your views captured? Did we get the 'pulse' of the Parish right? If you would like a copy of these documents, please email [joannegale28@gmail.com](mailto:joannegale28@gmail.com). We hope collate all responses/feedback and to have them finalised by the end of May.

#### To contribute to the First Collection \*\*

Account Name: Central Presbytery Fund  
 Reference: Your parish location, name and intention (eg Campbell Smith 1st collect)  
 Refer to note below regarding banking details.  
**Contribute to your parish via the "Qkr!" mobile app or direct deposit:**  
**Canberra Central :** A/C Name Canberra Central Parish Ref: Name & Giving Number.  
**Blackfriars:** A/C Name: Blackfriars Parish Watson Ref: Name & Giving Number.  
**St Joseph's:** A/C Name: St Joseph's Parish Ref: Name & Giving Number.  
**St Thomas More:** A/C Name: St Thomas More Parish : Ref: Name & Giving Number. In the best interest of safety with bank account please.\*\* kindly call the parish office for this information.

MASS, SACRAMENT & DEVOTION TIMES					
	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 <del>1st &amp; 3rd Friday of the Month</del> 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 <del>1st &amp; 3rd Friday Monthly</del> 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 - <b>1st Sunday of the month</b>
Saturday			Within 8.30am Mass - 1st Saturday of the month		
Rosary Prayers					
Tuesday - Friday		8.30am	After 9.15am Mass	12.10pm	
Saturday Sunday	9.30am	8.30am	8.15am -Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help		