



Canberra Inner North Catholic Community

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The 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time, The Feast Day of Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles | Year C | 29 June 2025

Peter and Paul didn't always see eye to eye in this life. Paul tells us in Galatians how he stood up to Peter and even rebuked him for what he perceived as hypocrisy or double standards. Paul certainly fought many good fights during his years of mission and witnessing to the Good News of God's grace. We know a little about the later struggles of Peter but have hints through traditions about his martyrdom. Today we remember both for their unwavering devotion to their Lord and learn how each is an example to us of courage, conviction and absolute trust in the power of God to be with them in every circumstance. Jesus' question to his disciples, 'Who do you say I am?', confronts us always. The clear answer Peter gives, together with the letters of Paul and other writings attributed to him or to Peter, are important starting points for our answer to this ever-relevant question. As members of the church of Jesus, founded on the inspired faith of Peter and Paul, we are invited to support each other in that quest.

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 Renoir Oliver SSS—renoir.oliver@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.

PARISH BULLETIN - DEADLINE for notices is 12 pm WEDNESDAY

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Entrance Antiphon

These are the ones who, living in the flesh,
planted the Church with their blood;
they drank the chalice of the Lord
and became the friends of God.

First Reading - Acts 12:1-11

King Herod started persecuting certain members of the Church. He beheaded James the brother of John, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews he decided to arrest Peter as well. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread, and he put Peter in prison, assigning four squads of four soldiers each to guard him in turns. Herod meant to try Peter in public after the end of Passover week. All the time Peter was under guard the Church prayed to God for him unremittingly.

On the night before Herod was to try him, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, fastened with double chains, while guards kept watch at the main entrance to the prison. Then suddenly the angel of the Lord stood there, and the cell was filled with light. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him. 'Get up!' he said 'Hurry!' – and the chains fell from his hands. The angel then said, 'Put on your belt and sandals.' After he had done this, the angel next said, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' Peter followed him, but had no idea that what the angel did was all happening in reality; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed through two guard posts one after the other, and reached the iron gate leading to the city. This opened of its own accord; they went through it and had walked the whole length of one street when suddenly the angel left him. It was only then that Peter came to himself. 'Now I know it is all true' he said. 'The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me.'

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 33 (34) :2-9

R: The Lord set me free from all my foes.

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **R**

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free. **R**

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called, the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress. **R**

The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to rescue them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him. **R**

Second Reading - 2 Timothy 4:6-8,17-18

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation - Mt 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.

Alleluia!

Gospel - Matthew 16:13-19

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon - Cf. Mt 16: 16, 18

Peter said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.

And Jesus replied: You are Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my Church.

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INNER NORTH

Join us in welcoming Graham Cumming, who will be received into the Catholic community through the RCIA program this Saturday, June 28 at St. Joseph's O'Connor. Please keep him in your prayers as he takes this important step in his faith journey.

Planned Giving Envelopes

New envelopes will be available in the Church foyer on 1 July. The old envelopes are advised not to be used.

Vocations Dinner at Calwell Presbytery

Thursday 3 July 6pm. For men interested in discerning a call to the Priesthood. A hearty meal provided with insightful discussions & prayer.

RSVP: emil.milat@cg.org.au or 0414 523 036.

Combined Youth Group – Sunday 29 June

Kids aged from 3 to 6 across the Inner North are all welcome to join our monthly gathering after the 10 am mass, Holy Rosary Church, Watson. Catechesis, Games, and Foods await! Enquiries: youth.innernorth@cg.org.au

Inner North Communio – Sunday 29 June

Jesus is there, everybody to him! – St Peter Julian Eymard. All young adults are welcome to join in prayer, meditation, and personal encounter with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament exposed at 3 to 4 pm, St Patrick's Church, Braddon. Fellowship afterwards. Enquiries:

[youth.innernorth](https://www.instagram.com/youth.innernorth) (Instagram) or

youth.innernorth@cg.org.au

Teens Trivia & Potluck – Saturday 5 July

High schoolers are invited to a trivia night and potluck at St Brigid's Hall, Dickson. Join us for team trivia, prizes, and bring a plate to share.

Enquiries: youth.innernorth@cg.org.au

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

BLACKFRIARS, WATSON

Recitation of the Rosary

Would you like to help lead the Holy Rosary at 9:30am on Sundays before the 10am Mass? You can sign up on the July roster in the church foyer. Mysteries and intentions are provided, and please use the microphone by the organ. If you need help, just ask! Rosary booklets are available for \$2 from Carmel Lewis after Mass or from the Parish Office on Friday mornings. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Sausage Sizzle

You're invited! Come to Holy Rosary this Sunday for our monthly Sausage Sizzle Gathering following the 10:00 AM Mass. All are welcome to enjoy food and fellowship.

ST JOSEPH'S O'CONNOR

St Joseph's Morning Tea

Morning tea will be held at St Joseph's Church on Sunday, 29 June 2025 after the 8.30am Mass, in the warmth of the Parish Centre, to celebrate the first 10-week term of Children's Liturgy at St Joseph's Church in many years. Please bring a plate of food to share and join Father Thonn and the PPC to thank our young volunteers who have supported this important outreach.

Planned Giving #8 - Please contact the office.

Sacred Heart & Immaculate Heart Vigil:

Fri, 4 July 2025, 3.00—6.00pm at St Joseph's Parish Hall. Prayers & Eucharistic Adoration. All parishioners are welcome to stay or come & go as you please.

OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

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

Scott Allberry, Melinda Hughes, Noel Tanzer, Tony Reid, Anne O'Neill, Anthony Jaksic, Robert Seserko, Gary Tuite, Patrick McNamara, Neville Finnegan, Peter Loc Nguyen, William Korab, Diarmund Battison, Carmel Masters

IN LOVING MEMORY

John Moten, Geof Gale, Jane and Alfred Mercieca, Francesco Macor, Mary Kiel, David Wignall, Barbara Avis, Maria Strazzeri, Philip Bui, Mario Russo, Carmelina Russo, Domenico Musolino, Barry Hockney, Dionisio Cabardo, Maria Lucy Condemi, Edna O'Brien, Joseph Grzic, Adelaida Vargas, Joan Meech

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Bishop Pat Power, Robin Lees, Maggie McKeown, Pat Turnbull, Rodney Baxter, Gwenda Romer (nee Hewitt), Carmel Slammon, Sue Creagh, Jacque Cortese, Peter Catlin, Laura Nuessler

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.

Short Sayings of Jesus" group.

We meet fortnightly on Thursdays from 11am-12pm in the parish hall at St Joseph's. Our next meeting will be on the 3rd of July.

Enquiries: Anna.Wierzbicka@anu.edu.au.

CENTRAL CANBERRA, BRADDON & DICKSON

Healing Service

Fr Sebastian will conduct the healing service after the 9.30am mass on Sunday 29th June. Supported by the Risen Lord Community.

Legion of Mary

Join us Saturday mornings at St Brigid's parish hall, Dickson. We also host Mother's Prayers on Mondays during school terms at 7.30pm in Kaleen.

Enquiries: Sherree - 0407 610 526.

ST THOMAS MORE, CAMPBELL

Memorial for Tony Reid

We are saddened to share that Tony Reid, a cherished long-time parishioner of St Thomas More, has passed away. His memorial will be held at 12:30pm on Saturday, 19 July. All are warmly welcome to join in remembering and celebrating Tony's life.



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

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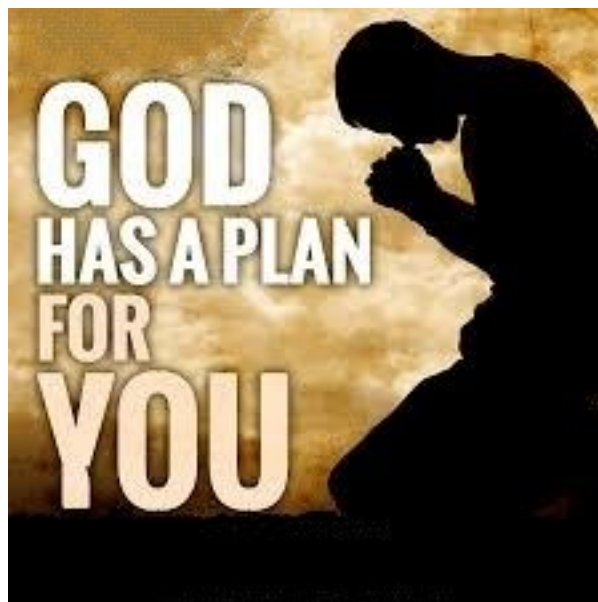
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**MASS, SACRAMENT & DEVOTION TIMES**

	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 <i>1st & 3rd Friday of the Month</i>
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 <i>1st & 3rd Friday Monthly as above</i>
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 - <i>1st Sunday of the month</i>
Saturday			Within 8.30am Mass - 1st Saturday of the month		
Rosary Prayers					
Tuesday to Friday		8.30am	After 9.15am Mass	12.10pm	
Saturday Sunday	9.30am	8.30am	8.15am -Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help		