



# Canberra Inner North Catholic Community

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## The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Feast Year C | 9 November 2025

A community discerning the building of a new parish church or chapel might first consider the choice of site, asking where we will build. Perhaps it's helpful to ask whether the new church will be build on earth or in heaven? The question is a surprise, but a church in the Catholic tradition is understood to be a foyer or narthex in heaven. Of course, a church building is not completely in heaven, but neither is it simply another earthly shrine. Today's feast of the Cathedral for the diocese of Rome blends the boundaries between earthly church buildings and the Church as the body of Christ: We are God's building and Jesus is our foundation. We are, each of us individually and all of us together, temples of the Holy Spirit. Therefore, when we enter a church building we are no longer simply on earth, but we are touching and tasting the heavenly realities and our eternal future. From the collect for today's feast we pray: O God, who from living and chosen stones prepare an eternal dwelling for your majesty, increase in your Church the spirit of grace you have bestowed, so that by new growth your faithful people may build up the heavenly Jerusalem. Amen

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](mailto:renoir.oliver@cg.org.au) - Maria Hicks (Manager) - Phone [02 6239 9806](tel:0262399806) - Institute of Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) [ipss@cg.org.au](mailto: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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**The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Feast**  
**Year C |**  
**9 November 2025**

**Entrance Antiphon -**

**Cf. Rev 21: 2**

I saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem,  
coming down out of heaven from God,  
prepared like a bride adorned for her husband.

**First reading -**

**Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12**

The angel brought me to the entrance of the Temple, where a stream came out from under the Temple threshold and flowed eastwards, since the Temple faced east. The water flowed from under the right side of the Temple, south of the altar. He took me out by the north gate and led me right round outside as far as the outer east gate where the water flowed out on the right-hand side. He said, 'This water flows east down to the Arabah and to the sea; and flowing into the sea it makes its waters wholesome. Wherever the river flows, all living creatures teeming in it will live. Fish will be very plentiful, for wherever the water goes it brings health, and life teems wherever the river flows. Along the river, on either bank, will grow every kind of fruit tree with leaves that never wither and fruit that never fails; they will bear new fruit every month, because this water comes from the sanctuary. And their fruit will be good to eat and the leaves medicinal.'

**Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 45(46):2-3,5-6,8-9**

**R. The waters of the river gladden the city of God.**

I God is for us a refuge and strength,  
a helper close at hand, in time of distress,  
so we shall not fear though the earth should rock,  
though the mountains fall into the depths of the sea. **R.**

The waters of a river give joy to God's city,  
the holy place where the Most High dwells.

God is within, it cannot be shaken;  
God will help it at the dawning of the day. **R**

The Lord of hosts is with us:  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.  
Come, consider the works of the Lord,  
the redoubtable deeds he has done on the earth. **R**

**Second reading - 1 Corinthians 3:9-11,16-17**

You are God's building. By the grace God gave me, I succeeded as an architect and laid the foundations, on which someone else is doing the building. Everyone doing the building must work carefully. For the foundation, nobody can lay any other than the one which has already been laid, that is Jesus Christ. Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him,

because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation -**

**2Ch7:16**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I have chosen and sanctified this house, says the Lord, that my name may remain in it for all time.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel -**

**John 2:13-22**

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: *Zeal for your house will devour me.* The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

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

**Communion Antiphon -**

**Cf. 1 Pet 2: 5**

Be built up like living stones,  
into a spiritual house, a holy priesthood.

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**INNER NORTH**

During the Clergy Retreat, 10-14 November be  
mindful of :

**Holy Rosary - No Masses 12-14 November**

**St Joseph - No Masses 11-14 November**

**St Thomas More - No Masses 11-14 November**

**St Brigid's and St Patrick's - Regular Masses schedules apply.**

**Teens Youth Group – Saturday, 15 November**

This will be our next youth group for high schoolers across the Inner North. Join us at **St Brigid's Parish Hall at 7pm** for a night of faith and fun. If you have any questions, email us at **youth.innernorth@cg.org.au**.

## RECEPTION OF SACRAMENTS

### BAPTISM

Leo Hayes

### OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Glenn Scott, Yoland Gibbons, Maria Pham, Bob Bensley, Teresita Navarro, Jean Ghossein, Monica Burnell nee' Dempster, Vera D'Ambrosio, Prof. Tony Johns, Robert Hetherington, Anna Armillei, Leslie Tadena, Bishop Pat Power, Robin Lees

### IN LOVING MEMORY

Henry Gurney, Doris Mary Grech, Peter Tran, Domenica Laria, Una Ford, Johannes Handoko, Greg O'Neill, Josh McKinnon, Noel and Dorothy Langford, Jean Duque.

### THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Brian Brown, Maggie McKeown, Mateo Sendo, Genevieve Cuddihy, Sohan Ferina and family, Elly Andriyani, Lillian Lii, Sally Grant, John Walton, John White, Charlotte Nuessler, Dhoniya Sebastian.

*Prayer intentions will remain in the bulletin for four weeks.*

### St Joseph's PPC Needs You

Nominations are open for the role of Chair of St Joseph's Pastoral Council. Help create a vibrant future for St Joseph's by offering your time, talents and passion. Please feel free to contact Fr Thonn to discuss your interest and then send your expression of interest to [Anthony.Riosa@cg.org.au](mailto:Anthony.Riosa@cg.org.au) by 18 November 2025

### St Joseph's Special Projects Fundraising

We're raising \$75,000 to replace the church's external doors. So far, **\$62,169** has been raised, thank you! Donations can be made via: Bank transfer, QKR! (quote: St Joseph's Special Projects), Tap and Go, Foyer box or Second Collection at Mass. Your support is deeply appreciated.

### Children's Liturgy

Continues every Sunday of the school term at St Joseph's during the 8.30am Mass. All age groups are welcome.

### Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration Vigil

### In Honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Join us on **Friday, 7th November, 2025**, for a special Vigil of prayer and Eucharistic Adoration, held at St Joseph's Parish Hall (next to the church), from **3pm to 6pm**. Come and spend time in the presence of the Lord - all are welcome to drop in at any time during the Vigil. For any information, please contact Rosalyn Apolloni on 0497797117.

### Christ the King Morning Tea - Sunday 23 November

Everyone is invited to join our community for Adoration, Sunday Mass and morning tea after on Sunday 23 November at 7.30am. Please bring a plate to share.

### Monthly Choral Vespers - Sunday 23rd Nov 4pm

Celebrate the Feast of Christ the King with St Joseph's Choristers. Enjoy a peaceful hour of sacred music,

psalms, hymns, motets – followed by Benediction. Afternoon tea will be served. More [info:linktr.ee/stjoseph.choristers](http://info:linktr.ee/stjoseph.choristers)

## BLACKFRIARS, WATSON

### Rosary roster

### The November and December rosters are now available in the church porch.

Parishioners are warmly invited to join the **Rosary at 9:30 am each Sunday** before the 10 am Mass. **More participants and younger leaders** are encouraged. The **Mystery and Intention** for each Sunday are listed on the roster for the leader to announce. The **microphone near the piano** is to be used, and **assistance is available** if needed.

## CENTRAL CANBERRA, BRADDON & DICKSON

### Feast of Christus Rex (Christ the King) - Sunday 23 November 9.30am

Come and join St Brigid's Dickson for a solemn sung mass, followed by a Eucharistic Procession, Adoration and Benediction, for the feast of Christus Rex (Christ the King). This is the last major feast day of this liturgical year and the last Sunday before the commencement of Advent and a new liturgical year! Join us for this beautiful mass sung by the St Brigid's choir.

**All are welcome.**

## ST THOMAS MORE, CAMPBELL

**Save the Date** - We are delighted to confirm that Cardinal Mykola Bychok has accepted our invitation to deliver the 2026 St Thomas More Forum Lecture, to be held on Friday, 26 June 2026, as part of the Annual St Thomas More Feast Day Parish Dinner.

Cardinal Bychok, a Redemptorist, has served since 2020 as Eparch of Saints Peter and Paul of Melbourne for Ukrainian Catholics in Australia, New Zealand, and Oceania. Appointed cardinal by Pope Francis on 7 December 2024, he is the youngest member of the College of Cardinals and the youngest elector in the 2025 papal conclave.

## ARCHDIOCESE

### Parish Officer Position for Mary Help of Christian

**South Woden:** a permanent part position of 24hrs (pref Tues- Fri) will suit someone who has experience in an office environment. The role requires strong communication, organisation & liaison skills, experience with database packages. Understanding and respect for the Catholic Church & its teaching. Salary subject to Clerks Award. If you are interested, please contact Fr Emil on 0414 523 036 [emil.milat@cg.org.au](mailto:emil.milat@cg.org.au) for the selection criteria. Applications close Fri 28 Nov

## Canberra Camino of St Joseph for Men 8:00pm -

### 8:00am 14-15 November

8pm to 8am, 14-15 Nov 2025 from St Joseph's, O'Connor to Mary Help of Christians, Pearce. After the great success of the Sydney annual event and the pilgrimage in Spain come and join a vigil walk through the heart of Canberra to pray for our youth, stopping at six churches to pray. More info on this QR code link or call Mat on 0438 446 489

### Prayer for the souls in Purgatory

**Our Father in heaven, may You grant eternal rest to the souls in Purgatory. May they eventually enjoy the consolations of heaven and sing praises to You for ever and ever. Amen**



## CONTRIBUTIONS TO CLERGY & PARISH

### 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.

**Please kindly call the Parish office for A/C details**

### MASS, SACRAMENT & DEVOTION TIMES

	Blackfriars, Watson	St Brigid's, Dickson	St Joseph's, O'Connor	St Patricks, Braddon	St Thomas More, Campbell
<b>Mass</b>					
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 Tuesday - ACU	5.30pm 12-12.30pm	9.00am	9.15am	12.30pm	11:45am Mass – Every Friday
Saturday	5.00pm (vigil)	9.00am 6.00pm (vigil)	8.30am 6.00pm (vigil)		
<b>Reconciliation</b>					
Friday			8.15 - 9.00am - during Holy Hour	11.30 - 12.30pm	11.00-11.40am Every Friday
Saturday	4.00 - 4.30pm	9.30 - 10.00am 5.30 - 5.50pm	5.15 - 5.45pm		
<b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b>					
Tuesday	ACU - 11- 11.45am		8.15 - 9.10am		
Wednesday		8.00am - 8.00pm			
Thursday					
Friday	6.00 - 7.00pm			11.30am - 12.30pm	11.00—11.45am Every Friday
Saturday		9.30 - 10.00am			
<b>Anointing of the Sick</b>					
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		
<b>Rosary Prayers</b>					
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		