Please be advised that there will be no weekday Masses in any of our churches from 17 to 20 November 2026 due to the Archdiocesan Clergy Retreat.

*Will change soon.

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF CANBERRA AND GOULBURN

CANBERRA INNER NORTH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY (CINCC)

PASTORED BY THE CONGREGATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (SSS)

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A | 14-15 NOVEMBER 2026



THE MASTER WILL SETTLE HIS ACCOUNT WITH THEM

ADAPTED FROM A REFLECTION
BY DON SCHWAGER (DAILY SCRIPTURE)

In the Parable of the Talents, Jesus teaches that God entrusts each of us with gifts, abilities, and opportunities, expecting us to use them faithfully. The faithful servants acted with courage and responsibility, while the servant who buried his talent allowed fear to prevent him from fulfilling his duty.

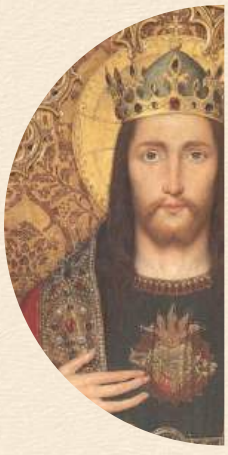
This parable reminds us that God's gifts are meant to be used, not hidden. When we generously use our talents for God's glory and the good of others, our faith grows and bears fruit. As we reflect today, we might ask: How are we using the gifts and graces God has entrusted to us?

Announcement on Revised Mass Times:

- The **Saturday Vigil Mass (6:00 pm) at St Joseph's, O'Connor**, will be **discontinued** effective the Second Sunday of Advent (5-6 December).
- The **new Mass times at St Brigid's, Dickson, and Holy Rosary, Watson**, will take effect on the First Sunday of Advent (28-29 November):

St Brigid's, Dickson: **SUN - 9:15 am**
TUE-FRI - 7:30 am

Holy Rosary, Watson: **SUN - 10:30 am**



SATURDAY, 21 NOVEMBER 2026
5:00 PM ADORATION | 6:00 PM MASS

MERICI COLLEGE AUDITORIUM, WISE STREET, BRADDON, ACT

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT: ARCHBISHOP CHRISTOPHER PROWSE

- Please bring a plate to share.
- Note: The only other Sunday Mass in the parish on the weekend of 21-22 November 2026 will be the 5:00 pm Sunday Mass at Rosary Church, Watson.
- We encourage each community to consider organising carpooling, as parking at the venue is limited. *(If you require to be included in carpooling, please complete the form in your church foyer.)*

CHURCHES

St Patrick, Braddon

SUN	8:00 am	Mass
	10:00 am	German Mass (1st and 3rd Sundays of the month)
TUE-FRI	12:10 pm	Rosary
	12:30 pm	Mass
FRI	11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Adoration & Confession

St Brigid, Dickson

SUN	***9:30 am**	**Mass**
	5:00 pm	Vietnamese Mass (1st and 3rd Sundays of the month)
		Maronite Mass (Last Sunday of the month)
TUE-SAT	***8:40 am**	**Rosary**
	***9:00 am**	**Mass**
WED	8:00 am - 11:00 am	Adoration
	5:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Adoration
SAT	9:30 am - 10:00 am	Adoration & Confession
	5:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Confession Vigil Mass

Healing Service takes place after the Mass on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

St Joseph, O'Connor

SUN	8:30 am	Mass
TUE-FRI	8:15 am - 9:10 am	Adoration (Confession during Adoration every Friday.)
	9:15 am	Mass
SAT	8:15 am	Novena to Our Lady of the Perpetual Help
	8:30 am	Mass
	5:15 pm - 5:45 pm	Confession
	***6:00 pm**	**Vigil Mass**

Anointing of the Sick is within the Mass at 8:30 am every 1st Saturday of the month.

Recitation of the Rosary takes place after the 9:15 a.m. Mass, Tuesday to Friday.

St Thomas More, Campbell

SUN	10:00 am	Mass
FRI	11:00 am - 11:45 am	Adoration
	11:45 am	Mass

Confession is every Friday, 11:00 am to 11:40 am. Anointing of the Sick takes place every 1st Sunday of the month at 11:15 am.

Holy Rosary | Blackfriars, Watson

SUN	***9:30 am**	**Rosary**
	***10:00 am**	**Mass**
	5:00 pm	Mass
TUE-FRI	5:30 pm	Mass
SAT	4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Confession
	5:00 pm	Vigil Mass
FRI	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Adoration



Readings

Entrance Antiphon
Jeremiah 29:11,12,14

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

First Reading
Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31

A perfect wife – who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 127(128):1-5

℟: Happy are those who fear the Lord.

Second Reading
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it. But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

Gospel Acclamation
John 15:4-5

Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

Gospel
Matthew 25:14-30 (Long version)

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of Heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. 'The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 'Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." 'His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." 'Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." 'Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."'

Communion Antiphon
cf. Psalm 72:28

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Prayer Intentions

OUR RECENTLY DECEASED – Fr Sebastian Luistro SSS, Fr Stan Sniezek, Anthony Baut, Norma Price, Leila Meera Jordan, Giuseppe Barbaro, Gina Garilao

IN LOVING MEMORY – Johny John, Johannes Handoko, Maria Danh Tran, Matta Tran Tit, Doris Mary Grech, Graeme Lawson, Capt. Raymart Cabangcala, Monica n'ee Dempster, Virginia Nunes

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



SPECIAL INTENTIONS – Retired and Sick Priests, Fr Hilton, Enryl Bacho, Flora Mae Rublica, Dawn Boag, Barry Malone, Amikai Diclas, Kelvin Diclas, Helena Paul, Trevor 'Tony' Anderson, Ray Maher, Residents of Goodwin Village Ainslie

Prayer intentions will remain in the bulletin for two weeks.

Holy Eucharist Parish, North Canberra: Archbishop Christopher Prowse's letter on the establishment of the parish is available here:
https://tinyurl.com/AbpHolyEucharistNorthCanberra



What's On

Central Canberra, Braddon & Dickson

- **RCIA.** Adults who are interested about learning the Catholic Faith or desire to be Catholic may enlist themselves for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) by contacting our email innernorth@cg.org.au. ***NO RCIA on 19 November, next meeting will be on 26 November with the topic of "Grace and the Beatitudes."***
- **No German Mass this month.** Please note that the German Mass at 10:00 am at St Patrick's, Braddon, will not be celebrated on the third Sunday of this month and until further notice.
- **Cana Youth (Years 7-12) Cana Youth will be held at St Brigid's Catholic Church, Dickson, 14 November and 6 December.** Sessions run from 7:00 pm–9:00 pm following the Vigil Mass. All young people in Years 7–12 are warmly welcome to attend.

St Thomas More, Campbell

- **No 10:00 am Mass at Campbell on Sunday, 22 November.** The Mass is cancelled due to the Inauguration Mass for the Inner North Parish, which will be celebrated on Saturday 21 November at Merici College.
- **Farewell Mass for Fr Anthony – Sunday, 29 November at 10:00 am for the Mass, followed by a BBQ.** To help with the BBQ, contact Joanne Gale at joannegale28@gmail.com. All are welcome!

St Joseph, O'Connor

- **Regular Group Gatherings: *Unpacking the Short Sayings of Jesus Fortnightly meetings on Thursdays*** (Next sessions: 12 & 26 November), Venue: Parish Centre, Contact: Anna.Wierzbicka@anu.edu.au. All are welcome! | **Term 4 Children's Liturgy, during the 8:30 am Sunday Mass.**
- **Choral Vespers – Christ the King Sunday, 22 November at 4:00 pm.** Join St Joseph's Choristers for the final Choral Vespers of 2026 as we mark the close of the liturgical year on the Solemnity of Christ the King. An hour of sacred choral music, featuring choral works by composers John Rutter and Federico Caudana, concluded with Benediction, followed by afternoon tea. Come and Sing Session at 3:00 pm, RSVP here: www.sjo.au
- **Junior Schola Cantorum Term 4, 2026 – Every Saturday 9:30 am.** Choral training and faith formation for students aged 8 to 16 in the Church's treasury of sacred music. Our training draws on the Jubilate Deo Programme and the Royal School of Church Music. Sign up and find out more: www.sjo.au
- **St Joseph's Spring Clean Working Bee – Saturday, 14 November from 9:30 am–11:00 am**. Help clean and beautify St Joseph's Church for Advent by joining our working bee.

Blackfriars, Watson

- **Watson Vinnies would like to thank the generous parishioners of Watson** for their support of the recent Ozanam Twinning Appeal. More than $4,870 was raised to assist Vinnies Conferences in developing countries, including Indonesia and Thailand.
- **The Eucharist in the Life of the Church – The Eucharist & Evangelisation – every Monday, 16 & 23 November | 7:15 pm for 7:30 pm. Venue: Parish Centre**. Register at innernorth@cg.org.au. For more information, contact Roger Paul at rpaul2572@gmail.com | https://tinyurl.com/EucharisLifeChurch2026
- **Vinnies Christmas Appeal.** Watson St Vincent de Paul Society's Christmas Appeal will be held as a leaving collection at Masses in Watson and St Brigid's on 5–6 December. Donations may be made by cash, EFTPOS or online. A box for non-perishable food donations *(no nut products, please)* will be available at the entrance to Watson Church. Thank you for supporting local families in need this Christmas.
- **Regular Group Gatherings: *The Craft Group every Wednesday*** (except 3rd Wednesday) from mid-day | ***Scripture Reflection every Wednesday*** from 7:30 pm to 8.30 pm | ***Meditation Group: 30 Minutes of Silence with God every Thursday*** at 7:30 pm, Contact Debbie on 0426 838 212 | Venue: Parish Centre. All welcome.
- **Cana Kids (Years 4-6) Cana Kids will be held at the Parish Centre, Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Watson, 15 November.** Sessions run from 11:00 am–12:00 pm following the 10:00 am Mass. All children in Years 4-6 are warmly welcome to attend.
- **Bible Study: Enough – Paul's Letter to the Colossians – Fortnightly Sessions with The Feast Canberra.** Next session(s): Saturday, 21 November, 2:00 pm–4:00 pm, at the Watson parish centre. Enquiries: 0406 872 588 or feastcanberra@gmail.com.
- **ACU Mass 2026:** Campus Mass, 12:00 pm–12:30 pm, Tuesday, 1 December, Signadou Chapel, Building 302.

From the Office

- **Envelopes for listing the Holy Souls to be included in the Book of Remembrance during the month of November** are available in the church foyers or from the parish office.
- **Inaugural Mass Joint Choir Rehearsals.** Saturdays, 11:00 am–12:00 pm at the Merici College Auditorium (14 & 21 November). Join us in singing for the first Mass of our new Parish. Details, music and the WhatsApp group: https://linktr.ee/inaugural.mass.choir
- **Is God Still Relevant Today?** Join guest speakers Fr Rob Galea and Qwayne Guevara to explore sharing the Gospel in a digital world. 24 November, 6:00–8:00pm, St Christopher's Pastoral Centre or online. Free, registration required. Contact: cenacle@cg.org.au



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First Collection
(Supporting all the priests of the Archdiocese)
A/C Name: ***Central Presbytery Fund***, BSB: 062-786 and Bank Account: 00029248
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Calling all young artists!
Create an artwork inspired by ***Everyone Is Invited*** and show what bringing people together at Christmas means to you. The winning artwork will feature on the December Christmas cover of Catholic Voice. Scan the QR code for details.
Entries close 16 November.



Parish Safeguarding Commitment

The CINCC is 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 center of all of our thinking and action.

Parish Safeguarding Officers:

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- **St Thomas More, Campbell:** Margie | Campbell.Safeguarding@cg.org.au
- **Blackfriars, Watson:** Nicole | Watson.Safeguarding@cg.org.au

Please send any concerns or enquiries to the above parish email addresses. You may also contact Maria Hicks, Manager of the Institute of Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS), at ipss@cg.org.au or 02 6239 9806.

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