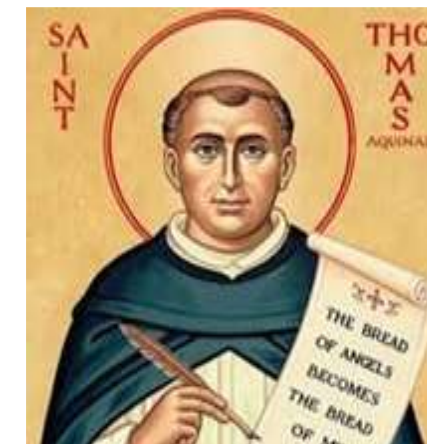




# ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH WEST BELCONNEN



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## MASS TIMES: 15-21 February

Monday: No Mass  
 Liturgy/Holy Communion 9:30am  
 Tuesday: 9:30am  
 Wednesday Ash Wednesday: 9:30am & 6:00pm  
 Thursday: 9:30am  
 Friday: During Lent 5:30pm  
 Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm  
 Sunday: 9:00 am  
**Reconciliation**  
 Saturday: 9:00-9:30am

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Sick:

We remember and pray for those who are ill at home and in hospital at this time.

Jessica Russell, Bernard Druett (Darcey Druett's son), Judy Tzakis

### Recently Deceased:

Pray for the Repose of Soul of: Sr Amy Caldwell OSU

### Death Anniversaries:

We remember in prayer all those who have died.

Mario Benassi, Suzanne Scardoni, Terence Southwell, Manuel Fontan, Peter Moore, Leendert Burggraaff, John Fauth, John Galogly, Maureen Carey, Janette Faigafa, Bernard Marcus, Maria Bonadei, Vince Howe, Pat Howe, Wally Rudyj, Andrew Vumbaca, Ronnie George

## LAUGHTER IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL

A New York boy is being led through the swamps of Louisiana by his cousin. "Is it true that an alligator won't attack you if you carry a flashlight?" asks the city boy.

His cousin replies, "Depends on how fast you carry the flashlight."

## EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

All extra-ordinary ministers of the Eucharist are requested to ensure that, at the completion of weekend masses, all the materials associated with the celebration of the Eucharist are returned to the sacristy i.e. the chalice, the paten, the tabernacle key, the lectionary and the missal, the hand bowl and the corporal and purifier and hand towel. The lights need to be turned off along with the sound system. Thanks for the help.

## LENT

Commences on 17<sup>th</sup> February – Ash Wednesday.

- **Family Prayer Booklet** is on tables in foyer.
- **Fridays in Lent:** Exposition 4:45-5:15pm  
 Mass 5:30pm  
 Way of the Cross (for those who are interested)

## DURING LENT

Faith Formation programs on the SACRAMENT of Reconciliation will be held on TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March, two sessions each Tuesday at 2:00pm and 7:00pm.

Please put it in your diary and come along!

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

If you have issues regarding aspects of your faith that you wish to explore further please write them down and we will look at getting information sessions on the topic e.g. Marriage/Annulments/Scripture/Sacraments in general etc.

## SACRAMENTS 2021

Parents of children in Year 4 and 6 are invited to enroll their children for the Sacraments.

Enrolment forms are available in the foyer of the Church at weekend masses during February and will end at the second Sunday of MARCH. Forms may be handed in at St Thomas Aquinas School Reception or left in the letterbox at the Presbytery.

## COLLECTIONS – NEW OPTION

We have installed a Tap and Go Machine next to the Collection Box to give people an opportunity to donate, should they wish to do so, when they aren't carrying cash.

The amount is set at \$15.00 of which \$10.00 will go to the parish and \$5 to the support of the clergy – the limit will be reviewed later! Thanks for your support.

## HELP

We are always looking for people young and old to help run the computer for Mass. Please let Brian Daly or Collette McArdle know if you are interested or put your name in at the office.

## COMMITMENT SUNDAY:

Is approaching on where you are asked to commit yourself to a Ministry for the coming year. Please give it some thought and be ready to offer yourself to a Ministry for the Parish.

## PARISH PASTORAL MEETING

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting was held on 9 February and the minutes are available on the Church Notice Board.

## SISTER AMY CALDWELL OSU

Last week Sister Amy Caldwell passed away. In the early days of St Thomas Aquinas Parish Amy was the Parish Pastoral Assistant. Amy, among other responsibilities, conducted many very valuable prayer and discussion groups.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Love always, in the name of Jesus. Amen

## BAPTISM

We welcome Wyatt Garry Pank into our parish community and may God bless his parents Jayson and Natasha.

## PRAYER FOR THE PANDEMIC

Lord God, bless Australia, our Great South Land of the Holy Spirit. Grant, that as the Cross shines in our southern skies, so may Christ bring light and wellbeing to our nation, to its peoples old and new., May we receive protection from all maladies and healing for those who are sick. May those in our country experiencing illness, isolation and suffering be aware of our tangible support through our prayers and actions. We ask this through Christ Our Lord, Amen

**Latte with Our Lady:** Rosary outside Charcoal Chicken every first Saturday of the month at 10:15 am. Praying for renewal in our parish with coffee and a chat. Contact Julie 0412 337 367.

**Mothers Prayers:** Every Tuesday after 9:30 am Mass special prayers for your children.

**Lectio Divina:** First Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm. Bringing Christ alive in Scripture through prayer, reflection and sharing.

**Scripture Discussion Group:** Friday following 9:30 am Mass during school terms.

## COLLECTION DETAILS

### FIRST COLLECTION:

**Commonwealth Bank**  
**Account Name:** Central Presbytery Fund  
**BSB No:** 062-786  
**Account No:** 000029248  
**Reference:** Parish: St Thomas Aquinas Charnwood.

### SECOND COLLECTION:

**Commonwealth Bank**  
**Account Name:** St Thomas Aquinas Parish Charnwood  
**BSB No:** 062-786  
**Account No:** 14877  
**Reference:** Surname and envelop number (e.g. 'Jones 251'). Ensure it is recorded and receipted properly and accurately.

## ROSTERS FOR 20-21 February

### LITURGY

	6.00pm	9.00am
<b>Minister</b>	Irene	Gavin
<b>Servers</b>	Charlie, Kaiti	Jocelyn, Robert
<b>Proclaimers</b>	Peter Mc, Collette	Cathy, Rod
<b>Music/Screens</b>	Triple J/Brian	Kaye

**CHILDREN LITURGY:** Jessica Betterton, Katie Walsh-Smith

**CLEANING 20 FEBRUARY:** Jack Radovanovic, Julie Schranz, Jennifer Kilgariff, Josie Barac

**LINEN 28 FEBRUARY:** Maria Barbero

**MORNING TEA 14 MARCH:** Michelle Ganino, Sylvie Osborne, Peter Osborne