

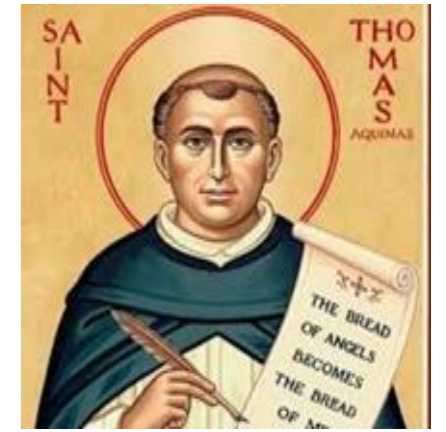


# ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH WEST BELCONNEN

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MASS TIMES:	
<b>Monday-Thursday: Liturgy of the Word</b>	9:30 am
<b>Friday:</b>	9:30 am
<b>Saturday Vigil:</b>	6:00 pm
<b>Sunday:</b>	9:00 am
<b>Reconciliation</b>	
<b>Saturday Morning:</b>	9:00-9:30am
<b>Baptisms are held every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month.</b>	

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Sick:

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

Bernard Tierney, Denis Hally-Burton, Trish Jean (Peter Jean's sister)

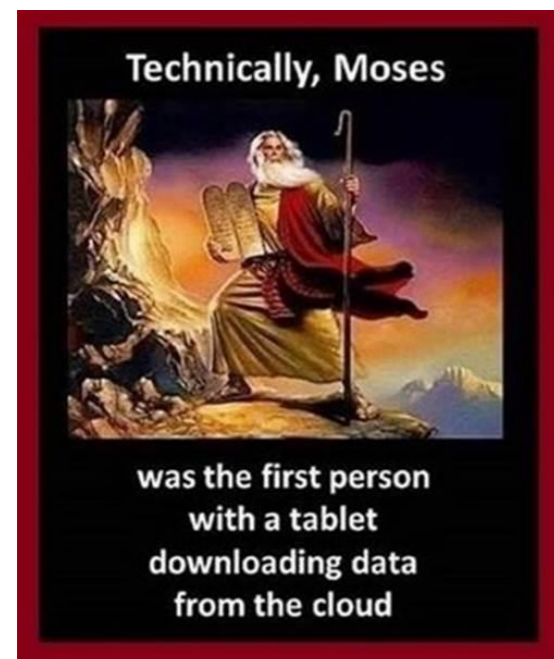
### Recently Deceased:

Pray for the Repose of Soul of: Jackie Burggraaff (Skye McPadden's grandmother)

### Death Anniversaries:

We remember in prayer all those who have died.

## LAUGHTER IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL



## REFLECTION

### The Mission of Paul and Barnabas

Our first reading this weekend from the Acts of Apostles presents us with two major characters – Paul, very well known to be a fiery preacher, distinguished as one of the most prolific writers and contributors to the New Testament narratives and Barnabas, his companion on the gentile missionary journey.

Chapter 14 of Act of the Apostles concludes the first Missionary journey of Paul and Barnabas to the Gentile communities across the Ancient Near East. This journey was marked by preaching, conversion of the pagans, strengthening by word, 'we must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God', structuring through the appointing of elders for governance and commending prayers for the survival of the newly founded churches and faith communities.

Paul and Barnabas were not short of Passion for making disciples regardless of the potential challenges from persecution, rejection, discrimination, assault, denigration, arrest and even death. They were ready to go above and beyond for the Lord.

Like Paul and Barnabas, we the baptised are called to be disciple making followers of Jesus in season and out of season. We pray for the grace to begin today!

### GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL

Last weekend was the Good Shepherd Appeal, there are still envelopes at the back of the Church if you wish to donate.

Or you can give via the website: [www.cgcatholic.org.au/goodshep](http://www.cgcatholic.org.au/goodshep).

### CONFIRMATION 2022

Please keep the children and their families in your prayers as they prepare for the reception of Confirmation in June.

### PARISH OFFICE

Will be closed on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May as Debbie will be on a Secretary training day.

## VOLUNTEERS

Anyone interested in joining a roster for providing a meal (or two) for Fr Martins on the weekend, please give your name and contact number/ email to Irene Daly 0402 098 731 [Idaly49@bigpond.com](mailto:Idaly49@bigpond.com). The roster would probably run from mid-May till end November, so chances are, we'd only get one/two turns. Thank you 😊

## DONATIONS NEEDED

As part of this year's Winter Appeal the St Vincent de Paul Society is asking for donations of blankets and warm clothing (such as socks, gloves and beanies). These items can be left in the marked box at the front of the church. The Society will arrange for them to be distributed to homeless people sleeping rough across Canberra.

## RIGHT TO LIFE DINNER

Archbishop Prowse will address a Celebration Dinner of the ACT Right to Life Assn. at Sthn Cross Club Woden, Wednesday 1 June. All welcome. Please book online at Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/dinner-to-celebrate-50-years-of-the-act-rtl-association-inc-tickets-329248088897> or Ring Bev 0418 718 713.

## 2022 VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

The theme of this year's Winter Appeal is 'Making it Stop', focusing on the importance of providing safety to families and individuals fleeing domestic violence.

As we enter this winter in the shadow of coronavirus, your commitment to helping those experiencing disadvantage, poverty, loneliness and homelessness is still very much needed and appreciated

If you are able to make a contribution, please do so by visiting [www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au) or calling 131812 or using the Tap and Go machine which will be available at all masses. Envelopes will also be available.

Please help us to help others. Thank you and God bless you all.

## LAUDATO SI'

The Archdiocese is to mark Laudato Si' week in mid to late May, including at Mass in St Christopher's Cathedral at 10.45 am for 11 am on Sunday 22 May. All are welcome to help celebrate God's creation. The Archdiocese is starting to develop and to encourage plans of action on Care for our Common Home."

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

**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.

## CALL TO CONNECT

Are you looking for an avenue of prayer and sharing the faith journey with a group of friends, online or face to face? Contact: [calltoconnect.ministry@gmail.com](mailto:calltoconnect.ministry@gmail.com)

## COLLECTION DETAILS

**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.

## FIRST COLLECTION:

### Commonwealth Bank

**Account Name:** Central Presbytery Fund

**BSB No:** 062-786

**Account No:** 000029248

**Reference:** Parish: St Thomas Aquinas Charnwood. (e.g. 'Jones 251'). Ensure it is recorded and receipted properly and accurately.

## SECOND COLLECTION:

### Commonwealth Bank

**Account Name:** St Thomas Aquinas Parish Charnwood

**BSB No:** 062-786

**Account No:** 14877

**Reference:** Surname and envelop number

## ROSTERS FOR 21-22 May 2022

	6.00pm	9.00am
<b>Minister</b>	Angelo	Louise
<b>Servers</b>	Sav, Vince	Charlie, Kaiti
<b>Proclaimers</b>	Peter Mc, Alan	Charles, Megan
<b>Music/Screens</b>	Canned/Collette	Canned/Brian
<b>Slide Prep</b>	Collette	

**CHILDREN LITURGY 15 MAY:** Jessica Betterton, Anne Murray

**CLEANING 21 MAY:** Margaret & Steve Ellis, Jennifer Kilgariff, Jill Mullins

**MORNING TEA 12 JUNE:** Sylvie Osborne, Sybil Gately, Irene Daly