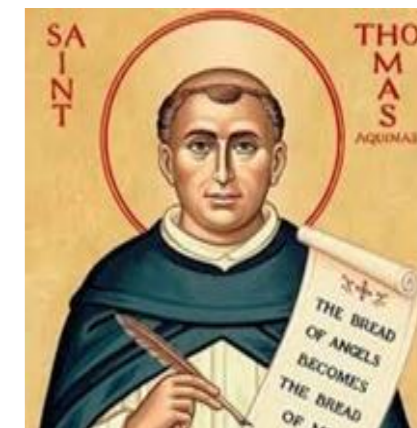




# ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH WEST BELCONNEN

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## MASS TIMES: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

Monday:	9:00 am
Tuesday: Anointing of the Sick	10:00 am
Wednesday- Friday:	9:30 am
Saturday:	6:00 pm
Sunday:	9:00 am
<b>Reconciliation</b>	
Saturday Morning:	9:00-9:30am
<b>All Sacrament enquiries to 6258 1563</b>	

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Sick:

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

Jessica Russell, Peter & Marea Trevaskis, Bernard Tierney, Judy Tzakis, Margaret Woods, Stella O'Flaherty (Daryl Murphy's sister)

### Recently Deceased:

Pray for the Repose of Soul of:

### Death Anniversaries:

We remember in prayer all those who have died.

## LAUGHTER IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL

My five-year-old son squealed with delight when he opened his birthday present from his grandmother. It was a water pistol. He promptly ran to the sink to fill it.

"Mum!" I said. "I'm surprised at you. Don't you remember how we used to drive you crazy with water pistols?"

My mum smiled then said, "Yes, I remember."

## MASS FOR ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 am Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November, please bring along those who would benefit from this Sacrament.

## QUEST GROUP

The next meeting of this group, designed to help deepen our understanding of our faith, will be held 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at 7:00 pm in the Community Centre.

We will try and do a few more nights this year especially during Advent.

## LAST CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

You are invited to nominate yourself for helping with the Parish Pastoral Council in one of the ministry areas associated with it. Current members are encouraged to continue in their roles, but fresh faces and ideas are always welcome.

Please print your name, phone/email, and the ministry area you are interested in on a piece of paper and leave it in the letter box at the Presbytery.

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council with new and old members, will be Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 5:30 pm

Please give this serious and prayerful consideration.

## PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Will meet after 9:00 am Mass on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November in the Presbytery.

## CHRISTMAS MASSES

Because of the limited number allowed at each Mass you need to register.

The registration sheets are on the tables in the foyer – you only need one Surname and just tick in the boxes below to indicate the numbers of your family.

**FRIDAY CHRISTMAS EVE: 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm**

**SATURDAY CHRISTMAS DAY: 9:00 am**

**THERE WILL BE NO VIGIL MASS CHRISTMAS DAY**

**SUNDAY BOXING DAY: 8:00 am and 9:30 am**

## PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office will be closed from 25<sup>th</sup> November – 6 December as Debbie will be away.

## VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL 20-28 NOVEMBER 2021

Our Charnwood Conference will be running its Christmas appeal during the following weekends after each Mass:

Saturday-Sunday 27-28 Nov.

A tap and go device and envelopes will be available and envelopes may be returned to the Conference.

You can also donate by phone 13 18 22 or online at [www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au) - this would enable funds to go directly to HQ and avoid double handling of funds. Please indicate if you require a receipt. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

Every baby should be born with hope for the future. Your support can provide financial and emotional assistance to families spending Christmas in poverty.

As we move towards the celebration of Christmas may we be watchful in faith, hope filled for our world and those we service, offering the cup of love to all in need.

Thank you and God bless you all.

## CATHEDRAL SECRETARY POSITION

Parish Secretary Position requires applicants to be available from Monday to Friday, 9.00am to 4.00pm. Starting date, December 1, 2021. If you would like more information please inquire at the parish office via email [cathedral@cg.org.au](mailto:cathedral@cg.org.au) or phone (02) 6239 9846 (bh).

## MACKILLOP HOUSE

Please donate Christmas items for the ladies of MacKillop House such as soap, shower gel, talc, box of chocolates and sweets. The items can be left in the tub at the back of the Church. Thank you for your generosity.

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

**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.

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

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

## ARCHDIOCESAN PROTOCOLS COVID-19 ACT PARISHES ONLY

### Beginning Friday 12 November 2021

1. Indoor Masses: (Liturgies) Apply 2sqm rule
2. Outdoor Masses: (Liturgies) No density limits.
3. Funerals: Apply 1 & 2.
4. Weddings: Apply 1 & 2.
5. **Face Masks** are not mandatory but encouraged for those 12 years and over.
6. **Check in CBR** is mandatory.
7. **Vaccinated and unvaccinated permitted at Mass**
8. Parishioners are **not** required to produce evidence of vaccination.

## Liturgical Protocols

- a. **Holy Communion**
  - i. The Body of Christ offered and received, not the Precious Blood.
  - ii. Received in either the hand or the tongue.
- b. **Music:** Permitted and encouraged.
- c. **Singing:** Permitted. Choirs to maintain physical distancing from congregation

## ROSTERS FOR 4-5 December

	6.00pm	9.00am
<b>Minister</b>	Collette	Brian Daly
<b>Servers</b>	Damyn, Nicholas	Orry, Sisi
<b>Proclaimers</b>	Peter & Collette	Lisa, Rod
<b>Music/Screens</b>	TripleJ/Kaye	Canned/Lisette
<b>Slide Prep</b>	Collette	

**CHILDREN LITURGY 5 DECEMBER:** Brett Seaman, Bernice Stallard

**CLEANING 4 DECEMBER:** Helene Axelby, Karen Norley, Beata Dal Piva, Maida Kajkic

**LINEN 5 DECEMBER:** Vlasta Mrsnik

**MORNING TEA 12 DECEMBER:** Gerald Gough, Leisa Gough, Grace Jean