

Marian Procession:

Date: Sunday, October 27, 2024,
Place: Starts at 11 AM, Anglican Cathedral of St Saviours, Goulburn
Reconciliation: Sts Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral & Our Lady of Mercy Chapel, 12:30 – 1:30 PM
Mass: 2:00 PM at Sts Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral, celebrated by Archbishop Christopher Prowse. Includes installation of a reliquary with relics of Sts Peter and Paul, St Brigid, St Charbel, and St Therese of Lisieux.

Youth Rally: Right after the Rosary Procession **Date:** Sunday, October 27, 2024
Place: St Saviour's Anglican Cathedral Hall
Includes: Food, entertainment, and guest speaker

Contact: Diane Green or Heather Moss:
Goulburn@cg.org.au | Phone: 0403 631 797.
 Christopher Gilroy: christopher.gilroy@cg.org.au

Help Wanted on Saturday 2nd November

The parish would like to ask any and all parishioners willing to help with the cleaning up of the Collins Wing and Parish Centre to attend our clean up on **Saturday 2nd November at 9am**.

A skip bin has been hired and a BBQ lunch will be provided to all those who assist. The parish would like to thank in advance any who assist with this task, your help in the parish is invaluable.

All Saints Day Party:

Join us for the annual All Saints Day Party at St Christopher's Cathedral on **Sunday November 3, 2024!**

Dress as your favourite Saint and enjoy fun activities, a costume parade, and a family-friendly atmosphere after the **11 AM Mass at Haydon Hall, 55 Franklin Street, Forrest.**

Phone: Anita Piper 02 6239 9846

Teresa Benedicta—Women's House of Prayer:

A residence for young adult women, in full-time work or study, interested in their Catholic Faith and participating in the Cathedral Parish. Living individual freedom and commitment to common life of prayer and sorority.

The house is located in Red Hill, has a chapel, garden, kitchen and common area, with five bedrooms. \$400 per week per person.

Expressions of interest to cathedral@cg.org.au

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND

12th & 13th October 2024

	Sat 5 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Marlene Keir	Alma Burg
Readers	Robert Booth, Moira Najdecki	Brendah Bergin, Santhosh Jose
Offertory	Volunteers	Young family
Eucharistic Ministers	Sue Neimanis	Julie Douglas
Flowers, Altar Clean	Margie Arvellino & Sue Neimanis	
Church Cleaners	John Murray	
Visitation	MGL Garran (Mt View & Jindalee)	
Sun 6pm Mass Readers		

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

19th & 20th October 2024

<u>1ST READING</u> WISDOM 7: 7-11	<u>2ND READING</u> HEBREWS 4: 12-13	<u>GOSPEL</u> MARK 10: 17-30
	Sat 6 pm	Sun 9am
Welcomers	Louise Gaudry	Robert Henry
Readers	Marlene Keir, Robert Booth	Josephus Bumaat, Shiru Kinyanjui
Offertory	Volunteers	Jose family
Eucharistic Ministers	Sue Neimanis	Barry Murphy
Flowers, Altar Clean	Ann Hill & Anne Sutherland	
Church Cleaners	Santhosh Jose	
Visitation	Jonavie & Grace (Jindalee)	
Sun 6pm Mass Readers		

St Benedict's Catholic Church



In the care of the Missionaries of God's Love

Parish Team:

Parish Office Hours: Tues-Thursday, 9am—12pm Fr Chris Eaton, MGL (Parish Priest & Mission Centre Director)
 Corner of Sturt Ave & Jerrabomberra Ave Fr Tony Schick, MGL (Priest)
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Twenty Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time 12th & 13th October 2024

Reflection on Gospel

In today's Gospel, an unnamed man approaches Jesus and inquires about what he must do to inherit eternal life. Jesus replies that one must follow the commandments of the Law of Moses. The man acknowledges that he has observed all of these since his childhood. Jesus then says that only one thing is lacking: he must give his possessions to the poor and follow Jesus. The man leaves in sadness, and Mark tells us that this is because he had many possessions.

The belief in resurrection and eternal life was a relatively recent development in Jewish thought at Jesus' time, and it wasn't shared by everyone. The Pharisees taught that there would be a resurrection from the dead; the Sadducees did not share this belief. Jesus taught that there would be a final judgment for everyone and eternal life (the Kingdom of God) for believers.

Jesus makes two requirements of the wealthy man who approaches him. First, he must give up his possessions. Throughout history, some Christians have taken this literally. Their example witnesses to us a radical commitment to the Gospel of Jesus. Some have read this as a particular requirement directed to this specific individual. Still others have sought to explain the meaning intended by the word *possessions* as those things that prevent one from following Jesus. Christians have generally understood that at the least, following Jesus requires that believers hold material possessions loosely and remain vigilant against seeking security in accumulating possessions.

The second requirement Jesus makes of this man is the invitation that Jesus extends to all would-be disciples: "follow me." Jesus very much wants this man to be his disciple. We believe that the Christian faith is one in which each believer is in a personal relationship with Jesus. Just as this Gospel tells us that Jesus loves the man and is sad when he departs, so too, Jesus loves us and is saddened when we are unable to follow him.

We see in this Gospel reading another example of Mark's pattern, which shows Jesus offering further elaboration about his message and meaning to his disciples. To his disciples, Jesus laments the challenges faced by those who are rich in following him and entering the Kingdom of God. In reply to the disciples' astonishment at the strictness of the standard that Jesus speaks about today, Jesus reminds his disciples that nothing is impossible with God. Salvation is determined by our ability to rely completely upon God.

Peter replies to Jesus by boasting that the disciples have already given up everything. Jesus acknowledges that those who have given up everything for the sake of the Gospel will be rewarded. This reward begins now, in the new community that one will gain in this life, and will continue in the eternal age to come. Our personal relationship with Jesus is also an invitation to the community of faith, the Church.

Notifications for Parishioners:

Fr Chris is currently on a three week break from **30 September to 17 October.**

Saturday mass will be returning to **6pm** from **12th October.**

The parish office is no longer open on Fridays.

The Wild Goose Series

This series will help you discover a deeper relationship with the Holy Spirit.

If you allow him, the Holy Spirit will lead you on an adventure greater than you can imagine. The Spirit will lead you to a place of mercy, healing, peace, and presence. The Holy Spirit has been given to us not as a possession to be tamed or controlled, but rather as a Person that will lead us to the Heart of God.

Topics Covered:

1. God's Love Poured Out
2. The Spirit and Our Lady
3. The Spirit and the Eucharist
4. Baptism in the Spirit and Fire

Four Thursday Night's (Oct 10, 17, 24, 31)
 Starts 6:30pm with dinner. Finishes 8:45pm at the Collin's Wing. All welcome.

To register or find out more email:
tasterie@gmail.com

Victory in Christ—Breakthrough with Healing

A time of praise & worship, adoration and prayer ministry with Lalith Perera, Spiritual Director of the Risen Lord Community.

23 October 2024 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at Mary Help of Christians Church, Pearce. Conducted by Lalith Perera

24 October 2024 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at St Brigid's Church, Dickson. Conducted by Archbishop Christopher and Lalith Perera

First reading

I prayed, and understanding was given me;
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;
Compared with her, I held riches as nothing.
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,
For compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,
And beside her silver ranks as mud.
I loved her more than health or beauty,
Preferred her to the light,
Since her radiance never sleeps.
In her company all good things came to me,
At her hands riches not to be numbered.

Psalm 89 (90): 12-17 R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

Second reading

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
The kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.' Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

Wisdom 7: 7-11

Hebrews 4: 12-13

Matthew 5: 3

Mark 10: 17-30

17 October | Ordination to the Priesthood of Rev. Mark Ha

Save the Date Thursday 17 October 2024 at 5.00pm at St Christopher's Cathedral Forrest, Canberra 0414 523 036

2024 Canberra Catholic Ball

You are invited to the 2024 Canberra Catholic Ball: A Royal Affair! It will be held this October 19th, in the Juliet Room at Verity Lane Market. Bring your friends and meet many more young Catholics from across Canberra at a great night of regally-themed fun. Tickets are \$120 and include a four hour drinks package and a selection of canapés. Please find more information on the *Canberra Cathedral Young Adults* Facebook page. Please email catholicyoungadults.cbr@gmail.com with any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

Visiting Speaker—Monday 14 October 7pm in Sacred Heart Church Pearce:

Milona von Habsburg, the Archduchess of the former Austria-Hungarian Empire and now an international Catholic translator and evangelist. Since her conversion in Medjugorje, where she still lives part time, she is a global ambassador for Medjugorje. She was also the former personal secretary to Fr. Slavko Barbaric, a translator for the Medjugorje visionaries and continues to serve on staff for the Ambassador of Lichtenstein to the Holy See. She travels to Australia rarely. All welcome to hear her share after recent Vatican approval of Medugorje.

Visio Divina Group, next meeting is October 17th.

Visio Divina (Latin for "divine seeing") is similar to Lectio Divina ("divine reading"). Where Lectio Divina uses Scripture, Visio Divina uses visual imagery such as artwork to lead us into prayerful reflection and listening to the Holy Spirit.

New members welcome, no prior experience of this type of prayer necessary.

Where: St Benedict's Parish Centre
When: Every 3rd Thursday of the month. Arrive 6.45pm for a 7pm start, finishing about 8.30pm. Register or for more info: Mattia Wellspring on 0434558734

Donating to the parish

To deposit directly into the Parish account, please use the following details:
BSB: 062 786
Account number: 000014992
Please include your Planned Giving (envelope) number in the reference if you have one, otherwise your surname and 'Donation'.

Please pray for the sick and deceased of the parish

Our Deceased: Alfie McKenna, Brian Barron, Pat Evans, Zeta Evans, Fr Peter Gannon, Cain Rogers, Elaine French,, Antoinette Martin, Louis Pini, Thomas Fernando, Barbara Parsons, Noanie Kelly, Leita Barron, Rathesh Fernando, Catherine Cleary, Frank Fulop, Ronnie Van Belkom, Tom French, Agnes Calvert, Clare Connell, Pat Connors, Doris Flaherty, Maud Inch, Monica Knight, Mario Krajina, Leonard Legge-Wilkinson, Kenneth Lentell, Lorna Ludwig, Antonia Martin, Fred Martin, Ronald & Marilyn Molyneux, Marie Morgan, Joan Parker, Alice Smith, Stephanie Stoddard, Monica Thomas, Fr Richard Daly, Fr Bill Keating, Fr Francis Hartigan, Fr Thomas Hilly, Fr Joseph Keating.

Our Sick: Jindalee & Mt View residents, Jackie Carpenter, Sagar Julie O'Brien Tony Evans, Rose Mason, Clem Dick, Julia Brown, Mitchell White, Germaphi, Pat Atkins, Lorraine Davis, Mathew Anthony, Helen French, Flora Arias, Mark Ransom, Ben Melbourne, Pamela Brown, Anne Rosewarne; Carol Rees, Monica Boyton, Mary Smith, Colin Paley, Janice Paley, Caroline Evans, Gert Fletcher, Anna Pace, Edwina Gundelach, Daniel Collins, Rita Smith, Andrea Bernabey.

Parish Office Hours

9am–12pm, Tuesday–Thursday

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 5pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 9am; 6pm (*Charismatic Mass*);
Fourth Sunday of the Month: 6pm (*Youth Mass*)

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday: 5.30pm; Wednesday: 12.30pm; Thursday: 5.30pm; Friday: 5.30pm (*Healing Mass*); Saturday 8.00am

Reconciliation

Friday following Healing Mass from 6.15pm-7pm;
Saturday: 4pm-4:30pm or by appointment

Prayer of the Church

Saturday: 7.30am 3rd Friday Padre Pio: 5pm

Baptisms: During weekend Masses or by appointment. See parish website for booking information.

Weddings: by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

During the 5.30pm Mass on first Fridays
10.30am at Jindalee 1st Thursday of the month,
10.30am at Mt View 3rd Thursday of the month

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday & Tuesday: 6am-10pm
Wednesday & Thursday: 1pm-10pm
Friday 6am to Saturday 8am

Vacant hours that urgently need filling:

Monday: 8-9am
Tuesday: 11am-10pm
Friday: 2-3pm
Contact: Anne Sutherland (0413203901) or Parish office for more information.

Hearing Loop is currently not working in the church. We apologise for the inconvenience.