

St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

12th Sunday in **Ordinary Time** Year B -

20 June 2021

Masses numbers at St Christopher's & St Peter Chanel's will be limited until further notice.



Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn



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Parish Secretary: Michelle O'Connor—Mon-Fri, 8.30am-12.15pm, 12.45pm-4.30pm

Accounts Officer: Karina Widjaja—Friday, 8am-4pm

Sunday Mass

St Christopher's

Cnr Canberra Ave & Furneaux Street, Forrest (Manuka) ACT

Sat. Vigil: 5.00pm Sunday: 8.00am,

11.00am (livestreamed),

5.30pm

St Peter Chanel's

Cnr Weston & Loch Streets,

Yarralumla ACT

Saturday: 6.00pm Vigil Sunday: 9.30am

2.00-3.00pm Adoration

& Confessions

Weekday Mass

St Christopher's

Monday to Friday: 7.30am &

12.15pm

Saturday: 9.00am & 12.15pm

St Peter Chanel's Tuesday: 5.30pm

Thursday: 10.00am (9.30am Adoration): Anointing Mass first Thursday of the month.

Reconciliation

St Christopher's

Wednesday: 11.30am-12.00noon

Thursday: 6.00 - 6.30pm Saturday: 11.00am - 12noon

St Peter Chanel's **Tuesday:** 6.00 - 6.30pm Saturday: 5.15 - 5.45pm

Adoration St Christopher's

Tuesday to Friday: 5.00-6.00pm

Baptisms

Sundays: 12.30pm

Weddings

St Christopher's: Saturday

1.30pm & 3.00pm

St Peter Chanel's: By arrangement

Dear parishioners and visitors,

I've always marvelled that John the evangelist took the time to write: "Jesus did many things... [yet] if every one of them were written down, I suppose that even the whole world would not have room for the books that would be written" (Jn 21:25). So, the question becomes: Why? Why did the gospel writers choose to tell certain accounts while leaving others out?

Today we hear from Mark's Gospel, the story of Jesus calming the storm. Earlier, Jesus had been teaching the crowd, gathered on the shore. The crowd was so large that he was forced to teach from a boat gently swaying on the calm Galilean Sea. The people marvelled at his teaching, awestruck, and inspired. After a full day of teaching, Jesus invites his companions, "Let's cross over to the other side". Exhausted however, Jesus soon drops off to sleep, and a violent storm begins to take hold. What a sharp contrast to the calm waters present only hours before. Everything in the scene has seemingly now drastically changed. Yet, the one constant remaining? Jesus. He has gone nowhere.

The boat is tossed about, at the mercy of the waves, the authority and presence of Jesus now seem a distant memory. The experienced fishermen are struggling, fearing for their lives, swamped by the chaos. And in their struggle, they conclude that Jesus now does not care, as fear becomes the great accelerant of anger, and blame. And yet we must ask ourselves and the disciples: Is it Christ who sleeps, or them?

Saint Augustine writes of this account: "I want to urge you not to let the faith sleep in your hearts against the storms and waves of this world". Those "sailing in the boat are souls crossing the present age on a paltry piece of wood (Wisdom 10:4)... the boat is also a figure of the Church. We are all of us temples of God, and every one of us is sailing a boat in his heart, and we don't suffer shipwreck" if our thoughts are on him.

Augustine explains: "You have heard an insult- it's a high wind; you've gotten angry- it's a wave. So as the wind blows and the waves break, the boat is in peril, your heart is in peril, your heart is tossed about. When you hear the insult, you're eager to avenge it; you do avenge it, and by giving way to someone else's evil, you suffer shipwreck." "And why is that? Because Christ is asleep in you. What does it mean that Christ is asleep in you? That you have forgotten Christ. So wake Christ up, remember Christ; let Christ stay awake in you, think about Him."

Friends, Jesus restores the calm, the order, but not without a gentle rebuke and the revealing question: "Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?" At first it seems reasonable and obvious as to why they are fearful- the boat is going down! Yet Jesus reminds them of his presence even during the temptations and wiles that thrash against their boat. Fear had undermined their faith and trust, yet in this crucial moment, Jesus seeks to restore and strengthen it, lest they -lest the Christian- become distracted or fearful in the trials and journey of life.

Even the disciples, with Jesus in their midst, struggled in the act of faith. Often, we think how different, how distant we are from the twelve. When in truth... how similar! Their lack of faith was rebuked—and, by extension so too is ours. The peace and truth of God, indeed the One who has authority over these winds and waves, was always present, even as the violent 'storm' raged all around. So too is this the truth, as the storm rages today. The Lord never promised freedom from the storms of life, in fact, he admitted the opposite (Jn 16:33). Yet, what he did do, is promise that he will be with us in the turmoil; and that awake to this Truth, through our faith, he would sooth the strongest wind and calm the greatest storm.

Friends, this Thursday, June 24th, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Nativity of John the Baptist. Jesus himself said of John: "Among those born of women no one is greater than John" (Lk 7:28). John prepares the way of the Lord. May we too be heralds of the Gospel and echo within our heart John's own desire, that He [Jesus] increase, while we decrease (cf. Jn 3:30).

Fr Trenton.

PARISH NEWS

PARISH MINISTRIES

Director of Music Jaki Kane

RCIA

Please contact parish office for next program.

School of Religion

See ad under Parish News.

Youth Minister

Anh Tran

Email: anh.tran@cg.org.au

Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon 21Jun St Aloysius Gonzaga, religious

Tue 22 Jun Sts John Fisher, bishop & Thomas More, martyrs

Wed 23 Jun Weekday, Ordinary Time

Thu 24 Jun The Nativity of St John the Baptist

Fri 25 Jun Weekday, Ordinary Time

Sat 26 Jun Weekday, Ordinary Time

Sun 27 Jun 13th Sunday in Ordinary

Legion of Mary

Monday at 5.30pm Havdon Hall

St Vincent de Paul

Assisting people in need and combatting social injustice in our community

Adventurers Youth Group

(primary school age) every 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month, 8.45am - 9.25am @ SPC

Good Shepherd Prayer Group

Wednesday at 7pm SPC Parish Room (Feb-Dec)

Christian Meditation Saturday at 5pm SPC

Other Communities

Spanish Community
First Sunday of the month at

11.30am SPC

African Community

Second Sunday of the month at 11.45am SPC

Filipino Community First Sunday bi-monthly at 5.00pm SPC LET US NOT BECOME COMPLACENT - Maintain social distancing at all times, particularly when forming the line for Communion. Please remain familiar with current protocols.

PLANNED GIVING DONATION PAYMENTS —Please ensure your payments towards Planned Giving is up to date prior to the end of the Financial Year. Our last banking date for 2021/22 Financial Year is the weekend of 26/27June. No money given after this date will be included in your Tax Receipt for that Financial Year.

RESTORATION AND MAINTENANCE WORKS - St Christopher's Cathedral is undergoing continual restoration and maintenance works. One current project is the restoration of the Cathedral's internal and external doors. For this reason, over the next few months individual entrances will be closed off, and you will be asked to use alternative doors. In addition, the Cathedral will be closed for 3 days (Mon 28th-Wed 30th June) for some essential repairs, cleaning and re-sealing of the marble tiles. All Masses during these 3 days, will be offered in Saint Peter Chanel's Yarralumla.

GRILL'D & GOD - Why does God allow suffering? Why is there war and poverty? Why are so many people experiencing mental health issues? St Christopher's Youth invite you to bring all your questions! Our panel: Father Paul Nulley, Gerard Teng & Chiara Strmota will share their experience and wisdom and open the floor for your questions! For all high-schoolers year 7 to 12! Come along and bring a friend! Tuesday 22 June 2021, 5:30–7:30pm, Grill'd in Manuka. Registration https://grilld-god2.eventbrite.com.au

CONSECRATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS - June is traditionally dedicated to the Sacred Heart. An ancient custom involving the Sacred Heart is an "enthronement" or "consecration" of your house (and heart) to Jesus. If you live in our parish boundary and wish to place the Sacred Heart with the Immaculate Heart of Mary in your home, placing God at the centre of your lives and family, please contact 0431 060 556 or email cathedral@cg.org.au

NEW READERS NEEDED - The parish needs more readers for Sunday Masses, as available readers for some Mass times have become few. I invite members of the parish to volunteer as readers ("lectors"). You may volunteer for a particular Mass time (e.g. the Mass you usually attend) or for more than one Mass. Readers are especially needed at Masses other than 11am. Training is provided, covering both theological as well as practical aspects (such as reading style, pace and the use of the microphones). Please contact cathedral@cg.org.au before 30 June. Fr Trenton.

2021 PLANNED GIVING FORM (GREEN) are available in the churches. Please complete if you want to change your contribution or your details. If we don't receive a new Pledge card, this office will assume your contributions will remain the same. Direct debit forms are also available. If you have given this office your email, the Pledge form will be emailed to you with the weekly Bulletin.

INCLUSION SURVEY — In June we are conducting a congregational survey on inclusion, disability, chronic health conditions and accessibility. Survey forms are in the foyers with a return box. Online version of the survey is available on the parish website. We encourage you to take the short survey to help us know how we can care for you and your loved ones best. Any questions, contact Cate at cate.canberra@gmail.com.

RCIA 2021-22 - Interested in learning more about Jesus, exploring faith and life's meaning? Are you interested in meeting and journeying with a like-minded community? If this describes you, or someone you know, join the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program. RCIA is an opportunity to discuss and learn more about the Catholic faith in a supportive, welcoming environment. The program is open to all, and is particularly designed for those interested in exploring the idea of becoming Catholic or receiving the Sacraments for the first time. We gather Thursday evenings, 6pm, starting 16 September. Register/Information email cathedral@cq.org.au

2021 CATHEDRAL PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION PROGRAM

First Reconciliation classes start 13 Jul for 11 Aug. **First Eucharist** classes start 17 Aug for 12 Sept. More information and Enrolment forms can be found on www.cg.org.au/cathedral or contact the Parish Office on 6239 9846.

New ways of Giving

- Direct Debit
- Qkr app
- Tap & Go
- Collection Point

More information:

www.cg.org.au/cathedral or contact Parish office 6239 9846.

OTHER NEWS

LETS KEEP EACH OTHER SAFE—if you are coughing or have flu-like symptoms, please stay at home.

Mass will be live streamed from the St Christopher's Cathedral. Sunday at 11:00am. The congregation will be filmed during the livestreaming.

https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/

PRESENT PROTOCOLS - Please be familiar with current guidelines

- In accordance with government restrictions, 260 people are permitted in the Cathedral, respecting the 2sgm p/p rule.
- ALL PARISHIONERS & VISITORS MUST USE THE CBR CHECKIN APP and sign in upon entry (including children). Records are destroyed
 after 28 days.
- Holy Communion is received only under one Species.
- Physical distancing rules still apply. Please use hand sanitiser upon entry.
- Families can sit together.
- There will be no physical contact at the sign of peace.
- Please DO NOT return bulletins, but keep or dispose of appropriately. <u>Please maintain social distancing 1.5m, at all times, including in</u> the single line formed to receive Holy Communion.

PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE CHECK IN CBR APP —To assist with COVID-19 compliance and data collection requirements, use the "Check In Cbr" App. Download onto your smartphone and register, then simply scan QR code at the church entrance each visit.

Canberra Catholic Bookshop— Extensive range of Sacramental & Religious Gifts, Books, Music & Church Supplies - You are always welcome: Opening Hours—Monday – Friday 9:30 am – 5 pm; Saturday 9 am – 1 pm. Ph: 6239 9888, Ground floor, St Christopher's Pastoral Centre, 55 Franklin Street, Forrest.



Marriage and Family - Visit cgcatholic.org.au/ marriagefamily/ for all information on the groups, movements, ministries and programs offering formation and support for marriage & family life in our Archdiocese.

Alan Tongue – Man of Christian Faith – 23 June, 7.30pm, Parish Centre, Strangways Street, Curtin. Former Canberra Raiders player (2000-2011) and captain, creator of innovative programmes for teenagers and now NRL ambassador will be the next guest speaker at the North Woden Parish of the Transfiguration Parish Pastoral Council talk series. Refreshments served. All welcome. Register: E wodennorth@cg.org.au or P 6281 3999.

Annual St Thomas More Feast Day Dinner and Forum - Friday 25 June 2021, Mercure Hotel, Ainslie. Fr Frank Brennan SJ AO: 'The Pell Case: Lessons for Church and State'. \$90.00 - 2 course, with pre-dinner canapés and wine. Bookings essential, by Friday 18 June. https://250621stmdinner.eventbrite.com.au. Or contact the parish, campbell@cg.org.au, 0416 823 447.

Archdiocesan Women's Taskforce dinner —16 July, Southern Cross Club Woden to celebrate women's ministry. Scholar and teacher, Sr Margaret Beirne RSC will give a talk on St Mary Magdalene. Three course meal \$65. All welcome. Bookings essential at http://bit.ly/ MaryMagdaleneDinner.

Reflection Day for Women 24th July - Father Epeli Qimaqima is hosting a Reflection Day for women of all ages and states of life to be held at St Joachim's, Lidcombe in Sydney. Commencing with Holy Mass and will include time for personal prayer, adoration and confession, as well as the opportunity for fellowship. Registration details can be found at: https://www.vocationcentre.org.au/events/reflection-day-for-women-2021/

Retreat - Finding God in Australia—6-8 Aug. Fr John Hill will lead a retreat to be held at St Clement's, "Finding God in Australia". Contact St Clement's to register. info@stclement.com.au or phone 02 6380 5222 Monday – Friday 9am – 5pm.

Inaugural Tim Fisher Oration on Ethics in Public & Political Life - 26 August 2021, 6:30pm. Great Hall, Parliament House, Canberra. \$30.00. visit www.tfo.org.au or contact jeanie.alberto@cg.org .au.

Women's prayer/sharing Groups— Contact: calltoconnect.ministry@gmail.com "Call to connect" catholic women's ministry can help you with free starter kits. More information: https://womenstaskforceacg.wordpress.com/women-prayer-groups/

Aid to the Church in Need Australia: Support our project of the month and help contemplative religious sisters in Peru to contribute to the pastoral work in Peru and the world through prayer, presence and the testimony of their faith. Visit www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject

COVID-19 Vaccination News— Pope Francis and the Australian Catholic bishops support and reassure: please visit catholic.org.au/coronavirus for more information.

We pray for...

Those to be baptised: Elise Jayamanne

<u>Those who are ill:</u> Fr Laurie Blake, Teddy Kartadinata, Florencio Fariña, Alejandra Martinez, Colliss Parrett, Arianna Vignale, Stella Lazar, Rod Duncan, Anthony, David Kibbey, Paul Mychailuk, Kalum, Ira Tirtobudi, Nicholas Dyne, Hubo Ballivian, Fr Peter Gannon.

Anniversaries of death: Frs Barney & Paddy Lynch, Kathleen Louise Hogan, Tony Conlan, Geraldine Pearson, Dorothy Black, Emilio Rao, Ron Pearson, Theresa Borg, Catherine Alice Duffy, Raymond Taylor, Luke Robert Webber, David Black, John Millard, Madge Colvin, Thomas Douglas, William Hudson, Elizabeth Ann Taylor, Bishop Aloysius Morgan, Fr Peter Cronin, Ian Lees, Patricia Kane, Yvonne Bradley, Andriana Koukari, Ken Roberts, Richard Roberts, Maria Mendes, Patricia Flood, John Connors, Etienne Jevardat de Fombelle, Danny Scorpecci, Alma Crawford, Giocondo Furlan Recently Deceased: Carmelo Makabenta, Joy Finlayson, Fernando Urbaez Levi, Debbie Kensey, Clarence Pickard, John Thompson, Graziella Foieni, Evelyn O'Keefe, Betty Unwin, Romina Samoza De Reiz, Achilles Diokno, Maria Alves Dos Reis Valentin, Katarina Res, Lorraine Davies,

Readings of the Day – 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time —Year B



Entrance Antiphon: The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

First Reading Jb 38:1. 8-11

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said: Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther: here your proud waves shall break.

Second Reading 2 Cor 5:14-17

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them.

From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

Gospel Reading Mk 4:35-41

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER			
Lectors			
Mass	19/20 June	26/27 June	
5.00pm	Jacob Madden	Stewart Unwin	
(SCC)	Ruth Meadows	Ceciley Matthews	
6.00pm	Geraldene Ford	Felicity de Fombelle	
(SPC)	Mike Nash	Wanda Kaucz	
8.00am	Becky Langworthy	Marcus Smith	
(SCC)	Assigned	Philip Pocock	
9.30am	Gloria Osborne	Ruth Meadows	
(SPC)	Jaye Longland	Wanda Kaucz	
11.00am	Mark Hyman	Scott Pohibun	
(SCC)	Edwina Hyman	Jacqueline Hipwell	
5.30pm	Joe Zavone	Becky Langworthy	
(SCC)	Louise Zavone	Jacob Madden	