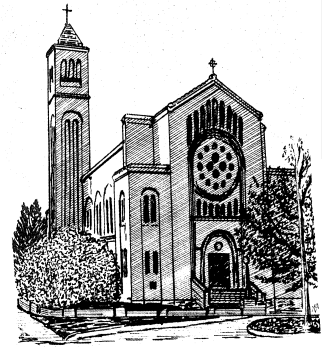


# St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

13th Sunday in Ord.  
Time, Year A  
2nd July 2023

Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn  
Archbishop: Most Rev Christopher Prowse DD STD  
Administrator: Fr Trenton van Reesch  
Assistant Priest: Fr Alexander Osborne



YEAR OF WALKING  
TOGETHER  
8th August 2022-  
8th August 2023

## PARISH OFFICE

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Online Payments Link: www.bpoint.com.au/payments/sccp

**Parish Secretary:** Anita Piper — 8:30am-4:30pm Monday to Thursday. Office Closed Friday-Sunday

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

## Sunday Mass

### **St Christopher's**

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

**Sat. Vigil:** 5.00pm

**Sunday:** 8.00am,  
11.00am  
5.00pm

### **St Peter Chanel's**

Cnr Weston & Loch Streets,  
Yarralumla ACT

**Saturday:** 6.00pm Vigil

**Sunday:** 9.30am

## Weekday Mass

### **St Christopher's**

**Monday to Friday:** 7.30am &  
12.15pm

**Saturday (& Public Holidays):**  
9.00am & 12.15pm

### **St Peter Chanel's**

**Tuesday:** 5.30pm

**Thursday:** 10.00am

Anointing Mass (2nd Thurs of 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**

**Monday to Friday:** 5.00-6.00pm

## Rosary at the Cathedral

Mon-Fri 8am, Sat 11:40am, Sun  
4:45pm

## Baptisms

2nd & 4th Sundays: 12.30pm

## Weddings

**St Christopher's:** Saturday

1.30pm & 3.00pm

**St Peter Chanel's:** By arrangement

## WHO IS WORTHY OF JESUS?

It is a bit alien to us to talk about worthiness, culturally it is not something we often think about. I remember at a conference hearing a high school teacher share some of her students' feelings on the new translation of the Mass: "One of my students refuses to say '*Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof*' because she thinks it's wrong to say that someone is unworthy of something."

I commend this teacher that her students are actually listening and reflecting upon the words of the mass. I would be surprised if this students reasoning is not common, it certainly does not sound empowering to say we are not worthy. We are conditioned to think in a positive way, and for Jesus to say that someone is not worthy of receiving Him or following Him makes us think He's a snob, or that He (God almighty) is too good for us.

Worth does not always correlate to goodness, and there are objectively things we are not worthy of, let's look at a couple of scenarios and explore this concept:

Asking for membership in an organisation and being refused because you are not considered worthy enough.

Asking for a promotion at work and being refused for not being worthy of it.

Asking for someone's hand in marriage and being refused because you aren't worthy enough.

Asking someone to risk their life on your behalf and they refuse because you aren't worthy of it.

Asking someone if they can take the blame for your actions and they refuse because you aren't worthy of that.

Asking someone if you can eat their body and drink their blood, and being refused for not being worthy of it.

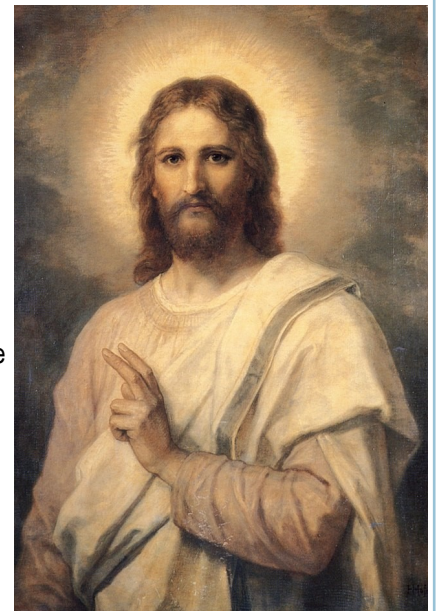
For the first two examples, I think most of us would concede there are qualifications needed for specific groups or roles. When it comes to giving committing your life to another, very few people would say that they are worthy of their spouse, or that they truly deserve the sacrifices of others. No one can ever be so worthy that, someone else takes their punishment, or that someone should give their life on their behalf.

Yet this is what Jesus does for us, we are all of us unworthy of him. Not a single person could ever say that they deserved Jesus to die for him or her, or that they deserve to eat his flesh and blood. Nevertheless, this is just how generous God is. He does these things despite our unworthiness.

How can we possibly respond to this?

The only possible response is to continually affirm that we are unworthy of his mercy and generosity, to rightly prefer Him above all others, and to try our very best to live a life that is worthy of His sacrifice.

Fr Alex



# NOTICES

## PARISH MINISTRIES

**Director of Music**  
*Ms Jaki Kane*

### RCIA

*Miss Becky Langworthy*  
Contact Office

### School of Religion

*Miss Chiara Catanzariti*

### Youth Ministers

*Miss Chiara Catanzariti*  
*Mr Andre Le*  
youth.cathedral@cg.org.au

### Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon July 3 13th Week in Ord. Time  
St Thomas the Apostle

Tues July 4 13th Week in Ord. Time

Wed July 5 13th Week in Ord. Time

Thu. July 6 13th Week in Ord. Time

Fri. July 7 13th Week in Ord. Time

Sat. July 8 13th Week in Ord. Time

Sun July 9 14th SUNDAY in Ord TIME

## PARISH GROUPS

### St Vincent de Paul

**Good Shepherd Prayer Group**  
*Wednesday at 7pm SPC*  
*Parish Room (Feb-Dec)*

**Christian Meditation**  
*Saturday at 4:30pm 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 begins Feb.*

**Filipino Community**  
*First Sunday bi-monthly at*  
*5.00pm SPC*

**For details of any of the above, contact the Parish Office.**

Join us

## Save Calvary Hospital

Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn  
Calvary Hospital Bruce  
Catholic Health Australia

[www.savecalvary.com.au](http://www.savecalvary.com.au)

**2023/24 PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES**— are now available for pick up in the church foyer. Please note, some givers have had their giving numbers changed, therefore it is **IMPORTANT** that envelope givers only use the **CURRENT** envelopes from July onwards. Please discard last year envelopes to avoid risk of your generous contribution being allocated to someone else. Thank you for your continuous contribution

**ST MARY MACKILLOP PILGRIMAGE**— Join Archbishop Christopher & other pilgrims, pilgrimage to Eden on **Saturday 29 August**. Archbishop will lead the pilgrimage leaving from St Christopher's Cathedral at 7:30am. 11am Pilgrim's walk from Eden AFL grounds to Our Lady Star of the Sea Church. 12pm Mass followed by 1pm Lunch. RSVP & more information: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1073904?eid=1073904> or Sue Heffernan 0405251947 / Bernadette 0429774119



Our Lady of the Visitation, you who arose and went with haste towards the mountain to meet Elizabeth, lead us also to meet all those who await us to deliver them the living Gospel: Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord! We will go in a hurry, with no distraction or delay, but with readiness and joy. We will go peacefully, because those who take Christ take peace, and well doing is the best wellbeing.

Our Lady of the Visitation, with your inspiration, this World Youth Day will be the mutual celebration of the Christ we take, as You once did. Make it a time of testimony and sharing, fraternization, and giving thanks, each of us looking for the others who always wait. With you, we will continue on this path of gathering, so that our world will gather as well, in fraternity, justice and peace.

Help us,  
Our Lady of the Visitation,  
to bring Christ to everyone,  
obeying the Father,  
in the love of the Spirit!

### FUNDS RAISED FOR GOOD SHEPHERD

**APPEAL**— We express our deepest gratitude to all who donated to the Good Shepherd Appeal 2023. We raised \$1,315. Thank you!

### Catechesis by Fr. Alex on the Sacraments and the fundamentals of our Catholic Faith

Do you want to learn more about your faith? Or would you like to learn how to answer questions about our faith? Do you sometimes feel as though you have missed learning some of the basics? Come and join our monthly adult catechesis. Our Fourth session is: **Marriage— Monday July 3rd in the Haydon Hall 6:30-7:30pm**

**FIRESIDE CHAT**—Please join us at the Catholic Bookshop for a Fireside Chat with Fr Paul Bateman on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July at 1:30pm. Fr Paul will be discussing his latest book: The Wheel Will Turn and answering any questions you may have. Refreshments provided

**SCHOOL OF RELIGION**— First Holy Communion classes start **Thurs 27 July 6pm-7:30pm** in St Peter Chanel's Parish Room, Yarralumla. Please contact the office to enroll or for more info.



# NOTICES

**Giving and Receiving— Direct debit and QKR options are available, as well as TapnGo machines Thank you sincerely for your generosity.** If you are able, perhaps consider donating to 1st and 2nd collection via direct debit .  
**The First collection: contributes to clergy of the Archdiocese.** If you make an offering through direct debit, please include that you are a parishioner of the Cathedral Parish.

BSB: 062-786 Account Name: CATHEDRAL  
Bank Account: 000029248 Reference: FORREST & SURNAME

**The Second collection: contributes to parish mission and maintenance.** If you would like to give and are not currently registered for Planned Giving, please deposit into the following bank account:

BSB: 062786 Account Name: St Christopher's Cathedral  
Bank Account: 000015080 Reference: Planned Giving # and Surname (only current Planned Givers);  
or Donation (parishioners not registered Planned Givers).

For more information or to set up monthly payments via direct debit, please contact the Parish Office. For step by step Qkr! instructions, visit [cgatholic.org.au/2016/10/something-beautiful-god/](http://cgatholic.org.au/2016/10/something-beautiful-god/)

**Thank you for your generosity**

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**ARCHBISHOP'S PASTORAL LETTER—YEAR OF THE HOLY SPIRIT—** Find the Archbishop's full letter on our website <http://cg.org.au/cathedral/Home.aspx>

**VINNIES WINTER APPEAL 2023—** Support older women facing homelessness in the ACT & surrounding region. This winter, Vinnies are aiming to raise \$400,000. These funds will provide emergency accommodation, food, clothing, medical costs and more. Please donate this Winter. Call 13 18 12 or visit [www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au)

**LIVING WORD - ARCHDIOCESAN DAILY GOSPEL REFLECTIONS –** Stay connected. Sign up for FREE at [cgatholic.org.au/LivingWord/](http://cgatholic.org.au/LivingWord/)

**SAVE THE DATE! —**The Good Shepherd prayer group invites you to our New Life in God's Spirit seminar. A 7 week seminar held every Wednesday evening 7pm-9pm from 19 July to 30 August at St Peter Chanel's, Yarralumla. Teachings, worship, prayer and fellowship. Everyone is welcome! To register call /text Susanna 0419 902 293 or Neda 0415 266 019

**Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Program | Catholic Care— 12 July, 5:00pm-9:00pm,** Marriage Preparation program for engaged couples. Includes FOCCUS questionnaire, dinner, evening formation program and a private, follow-up couple discussion with a CatholicCare counsellor. The cost for the whole package is \$300 per couple. **Information & registration -**[www.marriagefamily.org.au](http://www.marriagefamily.org.au)  
**Enquiries:** Helena Zobec [marriage.preparation@cg.org.au](mailto:marriage.preparation@cg.org.au) OR 0405 440 463

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL** wish to thank all parishioners of St Peter Chanel's for their donations to our **Winter Appeal**. You donated over \$1,200 over our two masses last weekend. Envelopes and on-line donations are still coming in. Many thanks from St Vincent de Paul for your great generosity.



## *Year of Walking Together*

The Risen Lord walked together with the disciples on the road to Emmaus, drawing them from anxiety to hope, from confusion to joy.

Jesus, centre of our common Emmaus walk, with You alone to guide us, make Your home in our hearts; as we pour "new wine into fresh wineskins" (Mk 2:22) Like Mary, imbued by the Holy Spirit, may we give birth to a renewed faith and united pastoral action in this Archdiocese in the years ahead. St Mary of the Cross, our Great Australian Intercessor pray for us. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us. All Saints of God, who name and guide our parishes, pray for us.  
Amen.

## **We pray for...**

**Those to be baptised:** Chloe Borg Caruana

**Those who are ill:** Catherine Cleary Rosa Mustapic, Marilena Damiano, Fr Greg Beath, Sophy Jacob, Alla Skorokhodova, Tony Kelly, Susie Menadue, Geraldene Ford, Kevin & Geraldine Conlon, Maja Marija Olip, McKenzie Killian, Fr Bill, Leung Man Kon, Beryl Johnson, Florencio Fariña, Alejandra Martinez, Colliss Parrett, Arianna Vignale, Stella Lazar, Rod Duncan, Anthony, Paul Mychailuk, Kalum, Nicholas Dyne.

**Anniversaries of death:** Mitchell Glenn Bush, Karla Attanasio, David Black, Ted Rodrigues, Brothers Vales, Duro Kish, Helen Mary O'Brien, Lady Mary Lawler, Frs Barney & Paddy Lynch, Br Paul Nixon mgl, Dianne Fraser, Gerald Kilmartin, Elizabeth Virgara, Carmel Barton, Domenico Nirta, Kevin Hogan, Lynnette Cousens, Catherine Duffy, Harry Galvin, Irawan Widjaja, Kevin Kelly, Fr Wally Stefanski, Walter Ghirardello, Rosamond Rumble, Vera Urh, Damian McMahon, Judith Campbell, Dr John Connors, Msgr John Hoare, Lilian Green, Richard Halpin, Phyllis Ferry, Colin (Mick) Kilpatrick, Bernabe Baez, Merv O'Brien, Dorothy Clowry, Rita Langsford, Berty & Adrienne, Keith Wong, Uliana Antonelli

**Recently Deceased:** Robert Howe, Antonio Loizzo, Eufemia Laeyes, Teresa Martiniello, Peter Sutherland, Emola Cicchini, Graeme Clarke, Theresa Harris, Fr Bob Maguire, John Boyd-Boland OFM, Laurence Mooney OSA, Brian Johnston CSsR,

# 13th Sunday in Ord Time —Year A — 1/2 July



Cathedral QR code

**Entrance Antiphon:** All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

**Responsorial:** Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people. Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Bless the Lord, O my soul and all within me, his holy name

## First Reading

**2 Kgs 4:8-11. 14-16**

'One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.' One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi (his servant) answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.' Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

## Second Reading

**Rom 6:3-4.8-11**

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life. But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

## Gospel

**Mt 10:37-42**

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. 'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me. 'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward. 'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

### READERS ROSTER JULY

		Lectors		Eucharistic Ministers	
Mass	1/2 July	8/9 July	1/2 July	8/9 July	
5.00pm (SCC)	Stewart Unwin Crystal Lavien	Ruth Meadows Stewart Unwin			
6.00pm (SPC)	Mike Nash Fiona Wheeler	Melissa Dixon Mike Nash			
8.00am (SCC)	Phil Pocock Marcus Smith	Marcus Smith Dione Smith			
9.30am (SPC)	Damian Balachandran Raphael Molu	Wanda Kaucz Maria Noronha			
11.00am (SCC)	Leeann Galloway Becky Langworthy	Jacqueline Hipwell Bronwen Grey	Jacqueline Hipwell Leeann Galloway		Bronwen Grey Mark Hyman
5.00pm (SCC)	Anthony Brierley Rebekah O'Meagher	Lynette Yap Kevin Woods			

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