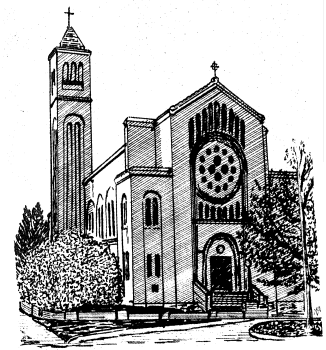


St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

16th Sunday in Ord.
Time, Year A
23rd 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

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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



World Day
for Grandparents
and the Elderly
2023

3rd World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly

Today is the 3rd *World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly*, which occurs 10 days before *World Youth Day* in Lisbon begins.

Pope Francis has spoken of the significance and symbolism in the proximity of these two occasions. The young and the elderly *together*, embody the life and wisdom of God, *Walking Together*. There is an 'unsurpassable need' Pope Francis says, 'for a relationship between the elderly and the young, where the former pass on wisdom and life experience; the latter strength and hope for the future.'

This year's theme is: "His mercy is from age to age" (Lk 1:50). Pope Francis has intentionally connected this to that of **WYD in Lisbon**, whose theme is taken from the same chapter in Luke: "Mary arose and went with haste" (Lk 1:39).

The Pope wants to emphasise the connection and dialogue between the young and old, describing how Mary sets out to visit her elderly cousin Elizabeth to "proclaim, in the Magnificat, the strength of the alliance between young and old."

This encounter between Mary and Elizabeth – two women who carry within them a promise of the future – is at the centre of Pope Francis' message to the young people leaving for WYD as well as his heartfelt message to grandparents and the elderly. "Mary's visit and Elizabeth's greeting open our eyes to the dawn of salvation: in their embrace, God's mercy quietly breaks into human history amid abundant joy".

We pray together that the elderly have the joy of speaking and expressing themselves with the young, knowing that they are valued and seen. And that the young might seek out the elderly to receive wisdom of life and depth of love.

The **Pope's Message** is available on our website.

THIRD WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Virgin Mary, Mother of faith and hope, an example for this humanity bent by indifference, make me as willing as You to accept the will of God, to magnify and praise His Mercy.

Mary, Mother of fortitude, you who know my heart, do not allow me to become discouraged. I confidently surrender my life into your hands. Heal my wounds. May your tenderness accompany me on the way.

Your presence, Mother of love, brings us to experience the joy of seeing our families united. Help me to transmit the tenderness and Love of God to the grandchildren and youth so that, in addition to praying for them, we can pray with them.

Mary, may the gift of the Holy Spirit intercede for me: sustain my weakness; breathe into my heart the consolation that I may leave traces of faith among the young, bearing witness to the beauty of life, knowing that life has a limit and that beyond it lies before us our Father's embrace.
Amen.

NOTICES

PARISH MINISTRIES

Director of Music
Ms Jaki Kane

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Miss Becky Langworthy
Contact Office

School of Religion
Miss Chiara Catanzariti

Youth Ministers
Miss Chiara Catanzariti
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Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon July 24 16th Week in Ord. Time
Tues July 25 16th Week in Ord. Time
St James the Apostle
Wed July 26 16th Week in Ord. Time
Sts Joachim and Anne
Thu. July 27 16th Week in Ord. Time
Fri. July 28 16th Week in Ord. Time
Sat. July 29 16th Week in Ord. Time
Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus
Sun July 30 17th 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.

IMPORTANT NOTICES:

- Due to both Fr Trenton and Fr Alex away on the 12 August, SPC 6pm Vigil & 5:15pm Confessions will be cancelled. 5pm Vigil Mass will be available at the Cathedral.
- St Peter Chanel's 10am Thursday Mass will be discontinued at the end of August. Mass at John James Calvary will be available at 10:30am starting from 7 September each Thursday.
- The Parish Secretary will be away on leave from the 26 July –14 Aug. Office hours will vary. Please don't hesitate to contact the office as emails will be monitored.

The Year of the Holy Spirit (Aug 2023-2024) – Launch date Aug 15. In addition to the Pastoral Letter available on our website, Archbishop Christopher has provided further details & resources, also available on our website - 4 Focus areas & recommended background reading. Intro video: [youtube.com/watch?v=SC3cOLgY_wk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SC3cOLgY_wk)

HAPPY 31ST BIRTHDAY!!! - to Father Alex. Sunday 23rd July! May God bless you Fr Alex, today and always. Know of our deep affection, thanks and prayers for you on this special day.



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 Hefferan 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!

BLESSING FOR MARRIED COUPLES— Wednesday, **26 July** is the feast day of Saints Anne and Joachim, who spent many years longing for a child before becoming the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary. They provide all of us with an example of holiness as a married couple and are powerful intercessors. To celebrate this feast, all married couples are invited to receive a blessing at the conclusion of the 12.15pm Mass. Saints Anne and Joachim - pray for us!

Catechesis by Fr. Alex on 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 weekly catechesis. Our next session is: **The Bible, who wrote it? A critical and historical examination of Sacred Scripture.** Monday July 24th in the Haydon Hall 6:30-8pm



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/

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CARETAXI: SAFE CHURCH TRANSPORT— Mass, Medical/GP appointments, shopping trips, recreational trips, and more; qualified and caring drivers. Visit caretaxi.com.au, or 0451 734 334.

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

Aid to the Church in Need— Mass offerings can be given to ACN and sent directly to priests in need who will offer a Mass for your intentions. For many priests in the poorest parts of the world, these Mass stipends are a vital contribution to their survival and their work on behalf of their parish <https://aidtochurch.org/ways-to-give/mass-offerings>

LIVING WORD - ARCHDIOCESAN DAILY GOSPEL REFLECTIONS – Stay connected. Sign up for FREE at cgatholic.org.au/LivingWord/

BIBLE STUDY— at St Raphael's Catholic Church, Queanbeyan on Thursday 6.30-7.30pm. Adults from 18 to 40 are welcome. For more information, please contact David on 0415286080

Pastoral & Spiritual Care Training – Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) 5-day course: What is Pastoral/ Spiritual Care; Empathy, Grief & Loss, Spiritual Reflection & Self-Care. Oct 4-Nov 8, 9-5pm Queanbeyan; \$400. Followed by longer CPE unit for more in-depth training in spiritual care. Enrolments by end August. Susanne Schmidt on 0431 243 486 or at susannecpe@gmail.com

CALL TO CONNECT— a welcoming women's ministry that offers prayer, hospitality and sharing the faith journey. On Sunday, **6 Aug** there will be a morning tea after the **9.30am** Mass at **St Peter Chanel** where you can find out more about CTC. For more information or would like to talk to someone about CTC, please contact Grace Williams at g_williams@naver.com, Maureen Hilton at maureenhilton@gmail.com or visit our website www.calltoconnect.org



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: Samantha Sarimento Castro, Ashton Gray-Donoghoe, Isla & Moss McNamara-Morris, Myles & Candice Dean

Those who are ill: Geraldene Patricia Ford, 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, Romina. S, Maureen & Sean Browne, Mary Rose Skidmore

Recently Deceased: Fr Lolesio Gisa's mother Sisifo Gisa, Pasquale Lustrì, Dale Brede, Hilda Pead, Maria Monteleone, Robert Howe, Antonio Loizzo, Eufemia Laeyes, Teresa Martiniello, Peter Sutherland, Emola Cicchini, Graeme Clarke, Theresa Harris, Fr Bob Maguire,

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Entrance Antiphon: See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

Responsorial: Lord, you are good and forgiving.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him

First Reading

Wis 12:13. 16-19

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly. Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all. You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it; but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgment, you govern us with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there. By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

Second Reading

Rom 8:26-27

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

Gospel

Mt 13:24-43

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn.'" He put another parable before them, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.' He told them another parable, 'The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.' I will speak to you in parables and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world. Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.' He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

READERS ROSTER JULY

		Lectors		Eucharistic Ministers	
Mass	22/23 July	29/30 July	22/23 July	29/30 July	
5.00pm (SCC)	Leszek Buszynski Ruth Meadows	Jacob Madden Dorilyn Desuyo			
6.00pm (SPC)	Felicity de Fombelle Tarinya Hannedege	Fiona Wheeler Felicity de Fombelle			
8.00am (SCC)	Joe Zavone Louis Zavone	Zvon Seselja Dione Smith			
9.30am (SPC)	Jaye Corcoran Raphael Molu	Wanda Kaucz Daye Corcoran			
11.00am (SCC)	Jacqui Ramesh Cecilia Flores	Samantha Hazlett Mark Hyman	Edwina Hyman Leeann Galloway		Volunteer
5.00pm (SCC)	Solange Pereira Anthony Brierley	Sam Thatcher Becky Langworthy			

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