



# St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

17th Sunday, Ordinary  
Time, Year C  
24 July 2022

Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn  
Archbishop: Most Rev Christopher Prowse DD STD  
Administrator: Fr Trenton van Reesch  
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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  
2.00-3.00pm Adoration  
& Confessions

## 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

Tuesday 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, 2022

The second "World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly" is marked on Sunday July 24. In 2021 Pope Francis announced this day to take place on the fourth Sunday in July, each year; a date chosen because of its proximity to the feast day of Ss. Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus.

In his 2022 message, Pope Francis speaks of God's calling to older generations to become "artisans of the revolution of tenderness."

"Old age is no time to give up and lower the sails, but a season of enduring fruitfulness; a new mission awaits us and bids us look to the future," the pope wrote in his message, whose theme for 2022 is "In old age they will still bear fruit" from the Book of Psalms.

In addition to taking care of themselves and remaining active, he writes of his own generation, "we ought to cultivate our interior life through the assiduous reading of the word of God, daily prayer, reception of the sacraments and participation in the liturgy" as well as "cultivate our relationships with others." He calls on generations to show the lead, by "affectionate concern for our families, our children and grandchildren, but also for the poor and those who suffer, by drawing near to them with practical assistance and our prayers."

Yet, he also notes that the world is now "passing through a time of trial and testing, beginning with the sudden, violent outbreak of the pandemic, and then by a war that is harming peace and development on a global scale... [and] at a time when the generation that experienced it in the last century is dying out."

"These great crises risk anesthetizing us to the reality of other 'epidemics' and other widespread forms of violence that menace the human family and our common home," he wrote. Which is why older people have an important role in promoting "profound change" starting in people's hearts.

"We grandparents and elderly people have a great responsibility: to teach the women and men of our time to regard others with the same understanding and loving gaze with which we regard our own grandchildren.

"We ourselves have grown in humanity by caring for others, and now we can be teachers of a way of life that is peaceful and attentive to those in greatest need" and thereby help protect the world.

The pope appealed to older people to extend their prayers and attention to all children of the world, especially those fleeing from war or suffering its effects. "Let us hold in our hearts — like St. Joseph, who was a loving and attentive father — the little ones of Ukraine, of Afghanistan, of South Sudan." Most older people have realized the world very much needs to work together and that it is wrong to think people "can find personal fulfillment and success in conflict."

"Dear grandparents, dear elderly persons, we are called to be artisans of the revolution of tenderness in our world" and "poets of prayers" by making "more frequent and better use of the most valuable instrument at our disposal," that is, prayer.

The World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly is also an opportunity for young people and the Church to celebrate together with older people, by seeking out those who feel most alone. "Expecting a visit can transform those days when we think we have nothing to look forward to; from an initial encounter, a new friendship can emerge," he said. "Visiting the elderly who live alone is a work of mercy in our time!"

# PARISH NEWS

## PARISH MINISTRIES

### Director of Music

*Ms Jaki Kane*

### RCIA

*Miss Becky Langworthy*  
Contact Office

### School of Religion

*Miss Chiara Catanzariti*

### Youth Minister

*Miss Anh Tran*

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### Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon July 25 17th week of Ord. Time

*St. James*

Tues July 26 17th week of Ord. Time

*Sts Joachim & Anne*

Wed July 27 17th week of Ord. Time

Thu. July 28 17th week of Ord. Time

Fri. July 29 17th week of Ord. Time

*Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus*

Sat. July 30 17th week of Ord. Time

Sun. July 31 18th SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

## PARISH GROUPS

### Legion of Mary

*Monday at 5.30pm*  
*(Haydon Hall)*

### 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.**

**RCIA/ADULT FAITH FORMATION 2022-23 – Interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about our Catholic faith?** The *Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults* (RCIA) is an easy to understand course for all wishing to deepen their knowledge of the faith, as well as for those preparing for adult Baptism and Confirmation.

Contact the parish. Gatherings begin first week of **October**, 6pm, Thursday evenings, and will lead up to Easter 2023.

**2022 SCHOOL OF RELIGION—** First Reconciliation classes start **Tues 26 July, 6pm-7.30pm** in St Peter Chanel's Parish Room, Yarralumla. Enroll: <http://cg.org.au/cathedral/Home.aspx> or contact the office. 1st Reconciliation will take place on Wed, 24 August 2022 at 6pm. First Eucharist classes start 18 Oct for 13 November.

**YELLOW 2022 PLANNED GIVING —** Please complete form to *change* your contribution or details. Direct debit forms are available. **THANKYOU** for your continued support of your parish. It is never taken for granted.

**THANK YOU, FR STEPHEN HACKETT msc** - We welcome and thank Fr Stephen Hackett msc, who has been kind enough to assist with Masses this weekend at St Christopher's. Fr Stephen is a priest of the *Missionaries of the Sacred Heart*, and General Secretary of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. Fr Trenton is helping out at Merimbula Parish this weekend.

**Saints Joachim & Anne:** Grandparents of Jesus – 26th July. While we know very little about Sts Joachim and Anne we can assume Mary was raised in a faith-filled Jewish home, which led her to respond wholeheartedly to God's request with faith, "Let it be done to me as you will". In Australia, a first class relic of St Anne is held at her shrine in the Parish of St Anne in Bondi. Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us. Pray for our grandchildren, so dear to us.

**PARISH READING GROUP –** You are invited to join a Reading Group around the theme "Many Gifts - One Spirit: Living our vocations and callings in the Church and in the World today". Wed Evenings 7:30pm (first and third Wed/month). Contact 0401 994 081

**HAPPY 30TH BIRTHDAY!!!** - to *Father Alex*. Saturday 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.

**NEW LIFE IN GOD'S SPIRIT SEMINAR—** St Peter Chanel's, Yarralumla. 7pm-9pm Wednesdays. 20 July—7 September. Talks, worship, prayer ministry, fellowship! Call Susanna 0419 902 293, Sue 0409 443 268 or Gabriel 0422 285 491

**Scripture and Tradition with Rebecca Langworthy-** We are delighted to have our very own Rebecca Langworthy speak at our next Conversations on Faith evening on Wednesday the **27th of July from 6pm at Haydon Hall**. Rebecca is working towards her Masters in Theology and has a passion for journeying with people into the Catholic Church. Please join us for her session, group discussion and Q&A. Any questions please get in contact [anh.tran@cg.org.au](mailto:anh.tran@cg.org.au)

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Virtual Weekend - 19-21 August—**conducted over Zoom. Begins 7pm, Friday 19th August to Sunday 21st. Visit [wwme.org.au](http://wwme.org.au) or contact Mercy & James Bvirakare, 0409 183 676 or [vicbooking@wwme.org.au](mailto:vicbooking@wwme.org.au)

**PARISH SECRETARY POSITION, NARRABUNDAH—** Part-time, permanent position (12 hours a week, Tuesday to Friday 9-12noon). To apply or for more information please contact the Parish Office 6295 7879 or [narrabundah@cg.org.au](mailto:narrabundah@cg.org.au)



## OTHER NEWS

**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.

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**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 [cgcatholic.org.au/2016/10/something-beautiful-god/](http://cgcatholic.org.au/2016/10/something-beautiful-god/) **Thank you for your generosity**

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES**— are available for pick up in the foyer of the church. Please use the BROWN envelopes for giving. Thank you always to all our generous givers.

**DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL WORKING PARTY** – message from Archbishop Christopher. Please see the Catholic Voice website: [catholicvoice.org.au/diocesan-pastoral-council/](http://catholicvoice.org.au/diocesan-pastoral-council/) Enquiries: [workingparty@cq.org.au](mailto:workingparty@cq.org.au)

**TIM FISCHER ORATION ON ETHICS IN PUBLIC & POLITICAL LIFE**— Thursday **18th of August**, in the Great Hall, Parliament House. Tickets are \$30 each and can be purchased through [www.tfo.org.au/](http://www.tfo.org.au/)

**SPIRITUAL ACCOMPANIMENT** – “Conversations of the Heart” - with Sr Lorraine Cupitt. Reflect on God’s action and grace in your daily routine. 27 year in Adult Spirituality and Accompaniment. Contact Sr Lorraine. [Lorraine.cupitt@gmail.com](mailto:Lorraine.cupitt@gmail.com)

**SPIRITUAL FORMATION** – Br Barry Donaghue cfc. *A short course in Spirituality for the 21st century.* St Anthony, Wanniasa, meeting room, 11:15-12:30pm, every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun (next: 31st July) – free of charge. Email Elizabeth: [Wanniasa@cq.org.au](mailto:Wanniasa@cq.org.au)

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

**VOLUNTEERS FOR VINNIES**— Vinnies Belconnen, Narrabundah, Kippax & Dickson urgently need volunteer workers. A range of different shifts are available every day, including weekends. Training provided. For further information, please contact Retail Support Manager Isla Smith on (02) 6234 7490 (Monday, Thursday or Friday) or email [isla.smith@vinnies.org.au](mailto:isla.smith@vinnies.org.au)

**MARYMEAD CHARITY CARD & GAMES DAY**— Monday 15th August, Royal Canberra Golf Club. \$50pp, lunch and wine, tea and coffee. Tables of 4, 10am. RSVP August 8. visit [marymead.org.au](http://marymead.org.au)

**MISSION ABROAD**— Join our sister churches in Africa, Asia & the Pacific to help build skills in their community. **Palms Australia**, will ensure accommodation and a living allowance is provided to you during your time away. **Enquire online** or **Ph: 0422 742 567** to find out about a placement to engage your skills. **Register** for a Webinar on **Monday August 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm** to talk directly with a Palms’ partner community in Timor Leste and two Australians recently posted to work with them.

### We pray for...

**Those to be baptised:** Alayah Wilcox, Sofia Rodic, Flynn Sutton, Maggie Sloan & Janice Nwosu

**Those who are ill:** Medardo Balmaceda, Sally Barber, Gerry Dullard OSA, Fr Bill, Leung Man Kon, Matthew Hurley, Beryl Johnson, Teddy Kartadinata, Luke Koay, Florencio Fariña, Alejandra Martinez, Colliss Parrett, Arianna Vignale, Stella Lazar, Rod Duncan, Anthony, Paul Mychailuk, Kalum, Nicholas Dyne

**Anniversaries of death:** 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

**Recently Deceased:** Giuaeppe Pelle, Peter Myat Htoo, Rozalia Spadafora, Adrienne Brown, Frances Monica Beattie (Wellach-Smith), Claudine Radjam, Tony Corkeron, Stephen Brooks, Claudine Ignace, Tobias Barry, Ros Allen, Fred Thorpe, Bruce Lotton (Fr. Andrew Lotton's Brother), Gwen Gleeson, Those killed by gunmen in St Francis Catholic Church, Owo, Nigeria; Berty Jacob, Dr Helen Bourke, Peter Kavanagh, Molly Reid, Wilhelmina Bosman, Children & Adults in Texas Shooting, Mary June Slocum, Cinara Tonga, Mary Prosser, Bill Hibberson,





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**Entrance Antiphon:** God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

**Responsorial:** Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me

**Gospel Acclamation:** You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father.

**Communion Antiphon:** Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

**First Reading**

**Gen 18:20-32**

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.' The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.' Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.' Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

**Second Reading**

**Col 2:12-14**

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins. He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

**Gospel**

**Lk 11:1-13**

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray: "Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test." He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants. 'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER**

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Lectors			
Mass	23/24 July	30/31 July	
5.00pm (SCC)	Kristina Faigl Edwina Hyman	Leszek Buszynski Roseanne McGrath	
6.00pm (SPC)	Wanda Kaucz Mike Nash	Felicity de Fombelle Ruth Meadows	
8.00am (SCC)	Joe Zavone Louis Zavone	Dione Smith Phil Pocock	
9.30am (SPC)	Jaye Corcoran	<b>St Bede's Children Liturgy</b>	
11.00am (SCC)	Cecilia Flores Mark Hyman	Bronwen Grey Jacqui Ramesh	
5.00pm (SCC)	Francilia Gomes Becky Langworthy	Kevin Woods Kristina Faigl	

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