



St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

18th Sunday, Ordinary
Time: Year C
31 July 2022

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



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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
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

Eternity shows us true value

The responsorial psalm puts it best: "Make us know the shortness of our life, that we may gain wisdom of heart." When we truly know how short our life is then we begin to understand what is actually important.

This is the heart of today's gospel. The foolish man is not called foolish because he is storing away his grain, to tell the truth, such a thing reveals his prudence and wisdom. Rather the foolish man is called foolish because he is wasting his life. He is chasing after the false gods we call security and comfort. The rich man is a fool, because in following a life dedicated to security and comfort, he has missed the point and purpose of his life. The rich man comes before God with no treasure to offer, he has valued the wrong things, as his heart and soul are dedicated to bigger barns and good food and wine.

The message of the Gospel is not: that we should not be rich; but rather, that we should not be poor of heart. What is more important when we face an eternity with God, our present suffering, or our value in His eyes? True richness does not consist of gold or silver, nor in power, abundance or scarcity, nor even in health – all these things are temporary. We ought to strive only for what is eternal. There might be some good in temporary things, but it is only that which eternally endures that truly has value.

What is the only thing that lasts forever? We know the answer is love, but, what sort of love lasts forever? Is it our love which lasts forever? The rich man's love for his food and barns has done him no good. Our love for each other will only last as long as we last, and everything material will decay and fade away and be forgotten.

There are two things we know which are not material, our soul and God. The love that God has for us and our love of him will never die. The great task of our short lives here on earth is to find treasure for our souls in heaven, this treasure is whatever helps us to deepen our love for him and helps us to understand his love for us.

Fr. Alex

PARISH NEWS

PARISH MINISTRIES

Director of Music

Ms Jaki Kane

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Miss Chiara Catanzariti

Youth Minister

Miss Anh Tran

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Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon Aug 1 18th week of Ord. Time
St. Alphonsus

Tues Aug 2 18th week of Ord. Time

Wed. Aug 3 18th week of Ord. Time
St Dominic

Thurs. Aug 4 18th week of Ord. Time
St John Vianney

Fri. Aug 5 18th week of Ord. Time

Sat. Aug 6 18th week of Ord. Time
Transfiguration

Sun. Aug 7 19th 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 at 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.

REMAINING CAUTIOUS- Please remain cautious as the flu and Covid continue to spread. **Face masks are encouraged** during liturgies. Thank you for your continued efforts, over a very difficult 3 years.

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.

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 & third of month). Contact 0401 994 081

CONGRATULATIONS Deacon Gavin Keating ordained a Permanent Diaconate on Friday 23 July at Holy Family Church, Gowrie where he was on pastoral placement. Dcn Gavin is married with two sons, and was a Colonel in the Army. He will serve Defence Force personnel as part of the Military Ordinariate (Diocese).

ARCHDIOCESAN CLERGY RETIREMENT FOUNDATION - have a voluntary vacant position available for a Management Committee member. Enquiries can be directed to Fr Trenton.

EDEN PILGRIMAGE TO HONOUR ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP —

Join Archbishop Christopher Prowse & other pilgrims, **11am, 13 August**, as he leads a **pilgrimage to Eden** to commemorate Australia's first saint, Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church 12pm followed by lunch. <http://cg.org.au/pambula/Home.aspx> To RSVP & for more information, catering & dietary requirements please contact: Bernadette mickbern1@bigpond.com, 0429 744 119 or Sue on 0405 251 947

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

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Virtual Weekend - 19-21 August—

conducted over Zoom. Begins 7pm, Friday 19th August to Sunday 21st. Visit wwme.org.au or contact Mercy & James Bvirakare, 0409 183 676 or 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

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.

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 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/ Enquiries: workingparty@cg.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/

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

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 2nd Sun (next: 31st July) – free of charge. Email Elizabeth: Wanniasa@cg.org.au

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.

CARE FOR CREATION CONFERENCE - Holy Spirit Parish, Gungahlin, Saturday 17 September, John Paul II College. Focusing on the lessons and goals of *Laudato Si': On Caring for Our Common Home*, and our joint path to ecological conversion, the conference will help to collaboratively develop parish action plans requested by Pope Francis and endorsed in the 5th Plenary council.

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

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 1st 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: Luna Limbo

Those who are ill: Sophy, Medardo Balmaceda, Sally Barber, Gerry Dullard OSA, Fr Bill, Leung Man Kon, Matthew Hurley, Beryl Johnson, Teddy Kartadinata, 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

Recently Deceased: Don Robertson, Mary Rose Skidmore, Giuseppe Pelle, Peter Myat Htoo, Rozalia Spadafora, Adrienne Brown, Frances Monica Beattie (Wellach-Smith), Claudine Radjam, Luke Koay, 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



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Entrance Antiphon: O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

Responsorial: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Gospel Acclamation: Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Communion Antiphon: You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

First Reading

Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity! For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skillfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

Second Reading

Col 3:1-5, 9-11

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him. That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

Gospel

Lk 12:13-21

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.' Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

Lectors		30/31 July	6/7 Aug	13/14
Mass				
5.00pm (SCC)		Leszek Buszynski Mark Hyman	Mark Hyman Edwina Hyman	Ruth Meadows Leszek Buszynski
6.00pm (SPC)		Felicity de Fombelle Ruth Meadows	Fiona Wheeler Wanda Kaucz	Felicity de Fombelle Mike Nash
8.00am (SCC)		Dione Smith Phil Pocock	Dione Smith Phil Pocock	Joe Zavone Louise Zavone
9.30am (SPC)			Jaye Corcoran Ruth Meadows	Dominic Chin Clarice Poh
11.00am (SCC)		Bronwen Grey Jacqui Ramesh	Leszek Buszynski Bronwen Grey	Jacqui Ramesh Mark Hyman
5.00pm (SCC)		Kevin Woods Kristina Faigl	Francilia Gomes Jacob Madden	Sarah Miron Kevin Woods

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