

# St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

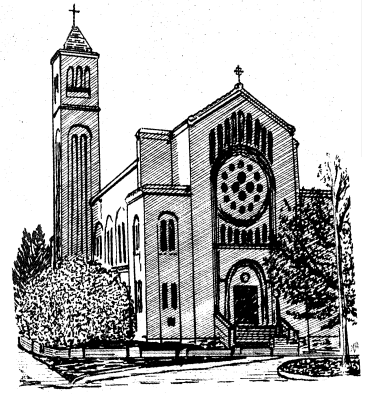
(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

1st Sunday of Lent

— Year A

29 Feb/1 Mar 2020

Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn  
Archbishop: Most Rev Christopher Prowse DD STD  
Vicar General: Fr Tony Percy VG  
Administrator: Fr Trenton van Reesch  
Assistant Priest: Fr Norvin Dias



## Sunday Mass

### **St Christopher's**

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

**Sunday:** 8.00am,  
11.00am (sung) & cuppa  
5.30pm

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

Cnr Weston & Loch Streets,  
Yarralumla ACT

**Saturday:** 6.00pm Vigil  
**Sunday:** 9.30am

## Weekday Mass

### **St Christopher's**

**Monday to Saturday:** 12.15pm  
**Tuesday to Friday:** 7.30am

### **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—12.00pm  
**Thursday:** 6.00 - 6.30pm  
**Saturday:** 11.00am - 12noon

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

**Tuesday:** 6.00 - 6.30pm  
**Saturday:** 5.15 - 5.45pm

## Adoration & Benediction

### **St Christopher's:**

Tues-Friday weekly 5-6pm (except  
1st Thurs).

Adoration: First Friday of the  
month 12.45-2pm.

Holy Hour & Benediction for discernment of Priestly vocations: 1st  
Thurs of the month 7-8pm

**Vespers** First Sundays, 6.30pm

## Baptisms

**St Christopher's:** 2nd & 4th  
Sundays, 12.30pm

**St Peter Chanel's:** 3rd  
Sun, 10.30am

## Weddings

**St Christopher's:** Saturday  
1.30pm, 3.00pm and 4.30pm

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

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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

Dear Parishioners and Visitors to Saint Christopher's Cathedral Parish,

"Once again Lent comes to make its prophetic appeal, to remind us that it is possible to create something new within ourselves and around us, simply because God is faithful, always faithful, for he cannot deny himself, he continues to be rich in goodness and mercy, and he is always ready to forgive and start afresh. With this filial confidence, let us set out on the journey!" – Pope Francis, Homily for Ash Wednesday, 2014

On this First Sunday of Lent the Archdiocese gathers and welcomes those seeking baptism and full communion with the Church, to celebrate another major step in the journey. Those who have been baptised Christian already and who desire to complete their initiation into the Catholic Church will also be welcomed by the Archbishop in this important celebration. The **Rite of Election**, as it is called, will take place at 10am on Sunday morning in the Cathedral Crypt. It marks the beginning of a period where the 'elect' (as they will soon be called) come to know Christ more deeply, surrounded and lead by their new family in faith. These Elect will be baptised and will be received into full communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil. This is an *immense* moment of joy for the Church. We congratulate our brothers and sisters, and pledge our support and prayers as we continue on the great journey *together*. May Christ always be their guide, comfort and *Life itself*.

This week the Archdiocese has also hosted the annual **Youth Ministry Equipping School**. The school is an intensive formation gathering which inspires and resources youth, young adults and ministry leaders for the mission of the Church. Consisting of workshops, plenary and keynote sessions, whilst grounded in the Mass and the sacraments, the equipping school sees an impressive gathering of Youth ministers (like our own Chiara Catanzariti), young adults from countless parishes and ecclesial communities as well as early career teachers and leaders of Youth Ministry Teams desiring to be involved in ministry and mission while seeking renewal in their faith. We welcome all participants, especially those who are experiencing the school for the first time, as well as those who have travelled great distances to be here with us!

At the 11am Mass these ministers will be commissioned and 'sent out'. These last few days have been an incredibly humbling and uplifting experience – a palpable sign of the Holy Spirit dwelling in the midst of His Church! The Church is alive – and in its young people, it is alive and well! Let us continue to pray for our young people and all, young and old who seek the face of Christ.

As we now settle into the great and beautiful season of Lent, may the ears of our hearts be sharpened to the daily call of God to choose Him always; and may the wisdom in Pope Francis' words intensely characterise the 40 days ahead:

"God is always faithful"... and so, "in filial confidence, let us set out on the journey!"

Know always of your priests' prayers for you.

*Fr Trenton*

# PARISH NEWS

## PARISH MINISTRIES

**Director of Music:** Jaki Kane

**RCIA**—Fr Trenton van Reesch  
*Weekly on Thursdays, 6pm*

**School of Religion**

**Youth Minister**—Chiara Catanzariti  
Email: [chiara.catanzariti@cg.org.au](mailto:chiara.catanzariti@cg.org.au)

### Weekly Liturgical Calendar

|           |                         |
|-----------|-------------------------|
| Mon 2 Mar | 1st week of Lent        |
| Tue 3 Mar | 1st week of Lent        |
| Wed 4 Mar | St Casimir              |
| Thu 5 Mar | 1st week of Lent        |
| Fri 6 Mar | Autumn Ember Day        |
| Sat 7 Mar | Sts Perpetua & Felicity |
| Sun 8 Mar | 2nd Sunday of Lent      |

**Legion of Mary**  
*Wednesday at 6.15pm*  
Haydon Hall

**St Vincent de Paul**  
*Assisting people in need and combatting social injustice in our community*

**Young Adults**  
*Animating parish and Archdiocesan life through prayer and event participation*  
*Thursday 6.30pm Rosary/Bible*  
Sharing/Fellowship SCC  
Geetanjali Rogers

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

**Christian Meditation**  
*Saturday at 5pm SPC*  
*"Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10)*

## 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*

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

**VESPERS** for the First Sunday of Lent on Sunday 1 March, 6.30pm. All welcome to join in song and prayer with the Cathedral choir.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT** — 6pm Cathedral 6 & 20 Mar, St Peter Chanel's 13, 27 Mar & 3 Apr.

**WOMEN'S YOUNG ADULT/PROFESSIONAL LENTEN SMALL GROUP** 3 March, St Christopher's Crypt. 6:30pm-7:30pm. Lets journey deeper this lent together. Contact Chiara at [chiara.catanzariti@cg.org.au](mailto:chiara.catanzariti@cg.org.au).

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION** - 6 February at 12.45 — 2pm at the Cathedral.

**PAPAL ANNIVERSARY MASS**—Join Apostolic Nuncio, His Excellency Most Reverend Adolfo Tito Yllana celebration Mass for the 7th Anniversary of the Pontificate of Pope Francis. Wednesday 18 March, St Christopher's Cathedral at 5.00pm. All welcome.

**HOLY RELICS VISIT**—St Therese of Lisieux's relics and those of her parents St Louis and St Marie-Azelie are coming to Canberra. Over one week in March, the relics of the Little Flower, one of the most loved saints of modern times, will travel through the Archdiocese, stopping by St Christopher's Cathedral Parish along the way— **Sunday 29 March between 10.45am and 1.15pm. They will then be moved to St Peter Chanel's for veneration between 1.30pm to 4.30pm. They will then be moved back to the Cathedral at 5pm for 5.30pm Mass. The relics will leave Canberra at 6.30pm.** See the beautiful story of St Therese and her upcoming visit on pages 10-11 of the latest edition of the Catholic Voice. "Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love." — St. Therese of Lisieux.

**THE RITE OF THE ELECT**—At the Easter Vigil (Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April), **Rebecca Langworthy, Mikyung Heo, Hall O'Meagher, Eliza Ride and Ella Borgo** will be baptised and receive the sacraments of Initiation. This weekend they, along with 36 others from around the Archdiocese, having made the decision to share in the Catholic Faith, were welcomed by Archbishop Christopher in the *Rite of Election*. We joyously congratulate and continue to pray for all those who are preparing for Baptism and full communion with the Catholic Church this Easter. *We are so very blessed to have their witness of faith in our midst; let us continue to ourselves draw strength from them in these days of Lent as we journey alongside them.*

### 2020 CATHEDRAL PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION PROGRAM

**Confirmation** classes starts **Mon, 27 April**, 6pm-7.30pm at St Peter Chanel's Parish Room, Cnr of Weston and Loch Streets, Yarralumla. This is for Year 5 & 6 students or older who live in Barton, Causeway, Deakin, Forrest, Fyshwick, Griffith, Kingston, Manuka, Parkes, Red Hill, Yarralumla or attend school in these suburbs. Children must have received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist prior to Confirmation. More information and Enrolment form on [www.cg.org.au/cathedral](http://www.cg.org.au/cathedral) or contact the Parish Office on 6239 9846. The celebration of the Sacrament will take place in St Christopher's Cathedral on Wednesday, 27 May 2020 at 5.30pm. **First Reconciliation** classes start 15 June for 29 July. **First Eucharist** classes start 17 August for 20 September.

### ARCHDIOCESE OF CANBERRA & GOULBURN: BUSHFIRE RELIEF, 2019/202

| <i>Monies Received</i>                           | <i>Monies Disbursed</i>              |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| \$52,426.25 (ACT Parishes)                       | \$37,259.45 (Batemans Bay Parish)    |
| \$19,233.20 (NSW Parishes)                       | \$16,000.00 (Moruya Parish)          |
| \$16,100.00 (Individuals)                        | \$31,500.00 (Cobargo/Narooma Parish) |
| \$5,000.00 (Wagga Diocese)                       | \$18,000.00 (Tumut/Batlow Parish)    |
| \$5,000.00 (Doonside Parish, Parramatta Diocese) | \$5,000.00 (Pambula Parish)          |
| \$10,000 (Order of Malta)                        |                                      |
| <b>Total \$107,759.45</b>                        | <b>Total \$107,759.45</b>            |

The Order of Malta also gave \$10,000 in Food Vouchers to Coastal Parishes

The Archdiocese is extremely grateful to her parishes for their generosity and spirit of unity, displayed in both material and spiritual assistance. Deep gratitude has been shown by those who have received material assistance in this difficult time. Despite the fact that this has been a very difficult time for so many, it has also been a time of grace and love. Our bonds of unity have deepened and the ongoing pledge of prayer assures that we can continue on this journey. Reconciliation has been prepared by the Vicar General and the Manager of the Catholic Development Fund, Michele Murdock.



First Sunday of Lent  
1<sup>st</sup> March 2020



Indigenous minorities in the Philippines face regular discrimination and disadvantage. Manide woman, Shirley faced challenges supporting her children and sending them to school. With Caritas Australia's support, Shirley's life has been transformed.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 to help people like Shirley, and her children gain confidence and respect within their community.**

**Let's Go Further, Together.** You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

## OTHER NEWS

**THE CATHOLIC GUY LENTEN EMAIL PROGRAM 'WALK THROUGH LENT 2020'** - Receive daily talks and reflections via email from Bruce Downes @ The Catholic Guy Ministries. To participate, register at <https://brucedownes.org/len>

**'MEN ALIVE' MASS**—Mon. 2 Mar. 5.30pm, St Christopher's Cathedral. Drinks and fellowship afterwards in Manuka.

**WHAT IS PRAYER?** Join Fr Michael for a series of talks on prayer. Beginning on Sunday 16 February 2020 after the 9.00am Mass at St John Vianney Church, Waramanga. All invited. Tea & coffee available. **1 March**—Ignatian Contemplation; **8 March**—How to pray the Rosary; **15 March**—What is Sacrament?; **22 March**—What is Eucharist?; **29 March**—What is Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick?; **5 April**—What is Liturgy?

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**—Fri 6 Mar, 11am, St Andrews Presbyterian Church, Forrest. All welcome to attend the Ecumenical Service. Guest speaker Her Excellency Mrs Linda Huxley. A light luncheon to follow in the Church Hall for \$5.00.

**CALVARY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY AUTUMN PLANT STALL**—12 Mar, 7.30am-4pm, Calvary Hospital, Bruce. Info: Jan 0437790980.

**AMICUS**—a support group for widowed, divorced and separated Catholics, next gathering at the Bread n Putter Bistro Queanbeyan Golf Club on SAT 14 Mar, 7pm for dinner. RSVP Lyn 0400 265 926.

**ST PATRICK'S DAY ECUMENICAL SERVICE 14 Mar, 12pm**, Marist College Senior Hall, Pearce. Keynote speaker Dr David Caldicott.

**LEGION OF MARY ACIES**—28 Mar, 11am, St Joseph's O'Connor. The Acies event is the Legion of Mary's annual consecration to Jesus through Our Lady, in the pattern of St Louis Marie de Montfort's 'True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin'. Celebrations will include the consecration, rosary and Legion prayers and Holy Mass concelebrated by Legion of Mary spiritual directors. All current, previous and potential members of the Legion of Mary, and anyone with a devotion to Our Lady, are most welcome. Contact: LegionOfMaryCanberra@gmail.com".

**SISTERHOOD CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**—20-22 March — weekend long event for women of all ages and stages of life at Stanwell Tops Sydney. Through keynote talks and workshops, mass, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, reconciliation & quality sisterhood, women are given the opportunity to deepen in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ & develop community with other women. The conference seeks to provide keynote inputs, which are both spiritually enriching but also practical to the lives of women of all ages and stages Of life. Registration Ticket - \$270 including meals & accommodation. Tickets can be purchased via [www.sisterhood.org.au](http://www.sisterhood.org.au).

**REQUEST FOR TRAINED EUCHARIST MINISTERS AT CALVARY JOHN JAMES HOSPITAL**—looking for volunteers to fill in some gaps on its roster to bring communion to Catholic patients in hospital. You need to: be available once a month for an hour and a half; do some initial orientation training and yearly Refresher Training; have a cover letter explaining your Eucharist position in your parish; and a current Working with Vulnerable People Card or be prepared to get one. If you can help, please phone Samantha Thirkettle on 6281 8112 or email on [Samaatha.Thirkettle@calvarycare.org.au](mailto:Samaatha.Thirkettle@calvarycare.org.au) for more information.

**PALMS AUSTRALIA—Reach Beyond: Become Simply Rich....**All trades and professions are being requested by communities abroad seeking to build the capacity of their organisations and the skills of their people. They're not asking for money or gifts that contribute to degrading dependence. Your assistance will help to develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty. Palms Australia will provide you with thorough preparation and support. You will be rewarded with riches greater than you might imagine. Look at [www.palms.org.au](http://www.palms.org.au) and talk to Roger on 0422472567, or email [palms@palms.org.au](mailto:palms@palms.org.au)

**TO LET**—1 bdrm light & spacious granny flat, fully furnished in Flynn. Pref. non smoker. Enquiries 0415 266 019.




**JOURNEY WITH THE MARTYRS** – Lenten Calendar. During the season of Lent Aid to the Church in Need would like to invite you to "Journey with the Martyrs" through an online Lent calendar. The Lent calendar features 47 true stories of modern martyrs, witnesses of love, who heroically offered their lives for God and their communities. Visit: [www.aidtochurch.org/len2020](http://www.aidtochurch.org/len2020).

**TRIBUNAL OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**—Marriage breakdown is usually a traumatic experience for all those concerned with many divorcees unsure of the validity of this marriage within the Catholic Church. The Church reaches out in support of those whose marriage has broken down, while upholding the permanence of a true Christian marriage. If you are divorced or in the process of finalising your divorce and would like information about the annulment process, please contact the Tribunal on 6239 9813 or by email [tribunal@cg.org.au](mailto:tribunal@cg.org.au). All enquiries remain confidential to the Tribunal.

### Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land. O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying. Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen. **Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.**

**A note on Fasting and Penance**—Abstinence from meat, and fasting, on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday must be observed by all who have completed their 18<sup>th</sup> year and not yet begun their 60<sup>th</sup> year. All who have completed their 14<sup>th</sup> year are bound to abstain. On all other Fridays of the year including Fridays in Lent, the law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled by any one of the following. **Prayer** – this could be Mass, sitting with scripture, family prayer, rosary or simply visiting the church. **Self-denial** – abstaining from meat, sweets, limiting social media/technology use or other entertainment. **Helping others** – special attention to someone in particular need; the elderly, sick, lonely or overburdened.

   **Tap & Go PayWave Machine** to contribute to the Church collections without the necessity of carrying cash. Please PayWave your card at the pre-set Tap N Go machine located in the Church Foyer when you exit the church. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions.

### We pray for...

**Those who are ill:** Jim Kaucz, Arianna Vignale, Anna Vincent, Lucy Duncan, Stella Lazar, Rod Duncan, Anthony, Lisette D'Cruze, David Kibbey, Jacqueline Khin. Katrina Kish

**Anniversaries of death:** Anthony Tuskens, Joan Burton, Amparo C de Baez, Patrick Charles & Kerry Agnes Purcell, Annie Duffy, Edrie Mary Duffy, Ralph Martin, Muriel Robbie, Raffaele Franze, Austin Burns, May Ledger, William Lloyd Alick Roberts, Jean Elizabeth Lennon, Catherine Semecky, Kevin Cranwell, Michael Conroy, John Hipwell, Jose Gonzales, Constance Jones,

**Recently Deceased:** Henry Tabisz, Mary-Anne McGrath, Rod Frazer, 4 children killed at Oatlands, Roberto Emilio, Mary Bowe (Kilmartin), Bruce Kennedy, Ronald D'Cruze, Brian Kelly, Betty O'Neill, Patricia Smith, David Cusack, Anica Soldo, John Gallagher, David Askew, Andrew Italiano, Stanley Marris, Patricia Brennan,

## Readings of the Day – 1st Sunday of Lent —Year A

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** *Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** *The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed, I saw and I believed in God.*

### First Reading

1 Sm 16:1. 6-7. 10-13

The Lord said to Samuel, 'Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen myself a king among his sons.' When Samuel arrived, he caught sight of Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed one stands there before him,' but the Lord said to Samuel, 'Take no notice of his appearance or his height for I have rejected him; God does not see as man sees; man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart.' Jesse presented his seven sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, 'The Lord has not chosen these.' He then asked Jesse, 'Are these all the sons you have?' He answered, 'There is still one left, the youngest; he is out looking after the sheep.' Then Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send for him; we will not sit down to eat until he comes.' Jesse had him sent for, a boy of fresh complexion, with fine eyes and pleasant bearing. The Lord said, 'Come, anoint him, for this is the one.' At this, Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him where he stood with his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord seized on David and stayed with him from that day on.

### Second Reading

Eph 5:8-14

You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord; be like children of light, for the effects of the light are seen in complete goodness and right living and truth. Try to discover what the Lord wants of you, having nothing to do with the futile works of darkness but exposing them by contrast. The things which are done in secret are things that people are ashamed even to speak of; but anything exposed by the light will be illuminated and anything illuminated turns into light. That is why it is said: Wake up from your sleep, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

### Gospel Reading

Jn 9:1-41

As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. His disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, for him to have been born blind?' 'Neither he nor his parents sinned,' Jesus answered, 'he was born blind so that the works of God might be displayed in him. 'As long as the day lasts I must carry out the work of the one who sent me; the night will soon be here when no one can work. As long as I am in the world I am the light of the world.' Having said this, he spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, 'Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam' (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored. His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, 'Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'Yes, it is the same one.' Others said, 'No, he only looks like him.' The man himself said, 'I am the man.' So they said to him, 'Then how do your eyes come to be open?' 'The man called Jesus' he answered 'made a paste, daubed my eyes with it and said to me, "Go and wash at Siloam"; so I went, and when I washed I could see.' They asked, 'Where is he?' 'I don't know' he answered. They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man's eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, 'He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.' Then some of the Pharisees said, 'This man cannot be from God: he does not keep the sabbath.' Others said, 'How could a sinner produce signs like this?' And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, 'What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?' 'He is a prophet' replied the man. However, the Jews would not believe that the man had been blind and had gained his sight, without first sending for his parents and asking them, 'Is this man really your son who you say was born blind? If so, how is it that he is now able to see?' His parents answered, 'We know he is our son and we know he was born blind, but we don't know how it is that he can see now, or who opened his eyes. He is old enough: let him speak for himself.' His parents spoke like this out of fear of the Jews, who had already agreed to expel from the synagogue anyone who should acknowledge Jesus as the Christ. This was why his parents said, 'He is old enough; ask him.' So the Jews again sent for the man and said to him, 'Give glory to God! For our part, we know that this man is a sinner.' The man answered, 'I don't know if he is a sinner; I only know that I was blind and now I can see.' They said to him, 'What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?' He replied, 'I have told you once and you wouldn't listen. Why do you want to hear it all again? Do you want to become his disciples too?' At this they hurled abuse at him: 'You can be his disciple,' they said 'we are disciples of Moses: we know that God spoke to Moses, but as for this man, we don't know where he comes from.' The man replied, 'Now here is an astonishing thing! He has opened my eyes, and you don't know where he comes from! We know that God doesn't listen to sinners, but God does listen to men who are devout and do his will. Ever since the world began it is unheard of for anyone to open the eyes of a man who was born blind; if this man were not from God, he couldn't do a thing.' 'Are you trying to teach us,' they replied 'and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!' And they drove him away. Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' 'Sir,' the man replied 'tell me who he is so that I may believe in him.' Jesus said, 'You are looking at him; he is speaking to you.' The man said, 'Lord, I believe', and worshipped him. Jesus said: 'It is for judgement that I have come into this world, so that those without sight may see and those with sight turn blind.' Hearing this, some Pharisees who were present said to him, 'We are not blind, surely?' Jesus replied: 'Blind? If you were, you would not be guilty, but since you say, "We see", your guilt remains.'

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| LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER |                               |  |                                      |                                    |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Lectors                      |                               |  | Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist |                                    |
| Mass                         | 29 Feb/1 Mar                  | 7/8 Mar                                    | 29 Feb/1 Mar                         | 7/8 Mar                            |
| 6.00pm<br>(SPC)              | Mike Nash<br>Sheila van Gent  | Marcelle Disanayake<br>Damien Balachandran | Mary Debus<br>Sue Buckingham         | Any available EMHC                 |
| 8.00am<br>(SCC)              | Kristina Faigl<br>Joe Zavone  | Phil Pocock<br>Wanda Kaucz                 | Liza Quinn                           | Phil Pocock<br>Liza Quinn          |
| 9.30am<br>(SPC)              | Clarice Poh<br>Dominic Chin   | Gloria Osborne<br>Colliss Parrett          | Colliss Parrett                      | Wilfred & Margaret Lawrence        |
| 11.00am<br>(SCC)             | Liz Porra<br>Ceciley Matthews | Bronwen Grey<br>Jacqueline Hipwell         | Jacqueline Hipwell<br>Bronwen Grey   | Ceciley Matthews<br>Kathryn Ruston |
| 5.30pm<br>(SCC)              | Edwina Hyman<br>Mark Hyman    | Youth Mass                                 | Elizabeth Young<br>Lionel D'Cruze    | Elizabeth Young<br>Lionel D'Cruze  |

**St Christopher's Cathedral Parish encompasses the areas of Barton, Causeway, Deakin, Forrest, Fyshwick, Griffith, Kingston, Manuka, Parkes, Red Hill, Yarralumla**