



St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

1st Sunday of Lent -
Year A
26th February 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-
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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

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

FROM WANDERING TO JOURNEYING

In the 40 days of Lent we journey towards the Hope of Easter. This period recalls the 40 years in the desert, where God's people prepared to enter the promised land. Jesus too spent 40 days in the desert before his public ministry. And yet, we are not simply left to wander in this desert... nor indeed wonder! With the graced disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, the Church accompanies us on the journey, as we prepare to celebrate the heart of the Christian Mystery; the victory of light over darkness, hope over despair, and life over death. This reminder is need more than ever. The reminder of the God who journeys with us; *ever ancient, ever new!*

In these days particularly, when darkness and death seem to hold sway, the Truth of this journeying season and the Promise of Easter in which it culminates, ring ever brighter and louder. The image of journeying is at the heart of the Christian life. The scriptures themselves are full of journeys. Noah's migration, and Abraham's too. The Exodus from Egypt and the return from exile in Babylon. The story of the Holy Family, journeying to Bethlehem for the census, and then their journey into exile in Egypt; the place which once held their ancestors as slaves. The story of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, which we will soon observe. And then later, the Emmaus journey. Undeniably – the whole of scripture comprises one great journeying.

Of course, a journey in its simplest form *calls for change*. A movement from one location to another. In this sense, it's really a *dis*-location. And here is revealed the truer nature of the journey. If you've ever dislocated something, you'll know how painful, and *dis*-comforting it can be. In the same way the Christian life is a journeying, which is more often a dislocation.

One is taken from one place to another. Led. And while it is true to say that God never loves from a distance, it can equally be said that God never leaves us where and as we are. God always dis-locates us.

Daily, he calls us to leave the place of comfort, which has perhaps become a place of indifference and spiritual languor - to leave the old ways and world behind, and to embark on the journey which promises the garden of Easter.

The journey can be discomfoting, even with moments of agony. Yet it is the journey which promises fullness of life. When a person wanders, they know no purpose or direction. When they journey however, no matter the road, the twists and turns, they know the place to which they go. This is the Christian journey. We are not orphans, without identity nor destination. When we live like this, we become cynical and miserable, all at the same time! While 'false gods' leave us where we are, stagnant and saddened, the True God calls us, and not only calls, but journeys with us. To the cross of Calvary and soon... to the heights of Easter.

Lent is for moving.... moving us from wandering to journeying. The 'steppingstones' by which we trek are those disciplines through which we grow in a greater love of God (prayer), a more generous love of neighbour (alms giving), and a truer love of ourselves (fasting).

Recommit yourself this Lent, to build on these three loves, so that setting out on the journey we may one day be welcomed to its fulfilment.

A blessed Lenten Journey, Fr Trenton

NOTICES

PARISH MINISTRIES

Director of Music

Ms Jaki Kane

RCIA

*Miss Becky Langworthy
Contact Office*

School of Religion

Miss Chiara Catanzariti

Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon Feb 27 1st Week of Lent
Tues. Feb 28 1st Week of Lent
Wed. Mar 1 1st Week of Lent
Thurs. Mar 2 1st Week of Lent
Fri. Mar 3 1st Week of Lent
Sat. Mar 4 1st Week of Lent
Sun. Mar 5 2nd SUNDAY of LENT

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.**

LENT — STATIONS OF THE CROSS

5:00pm, EACH FRIDAY in LENT.
Saint Christopher's Cathedral



- Good Friday is a day of fasting & abstinence (no meat).
- Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.
- The law of fasting binds those who have completed their eighteenth year, until the beginning of their sixtieth year; the law of abstinence binds those who have completed their fourteenth year. In Lent, we omit the "Alleluia" at Mass.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION— Confirmation classes start **Thurs 27 April, 6pm-7:30pm** in St Peter Chanel's Parish Room, Yarralumla. Please contact the office to enroll or for more info. Confirmation will take place on Sat 27 May 2023 at 5pm. 1st Reconciliation starts 1 June for 28 June and First Eucharist starts 27 July for 20 August.

THE RITE OF THE ELECT—5th March - Second Sunday of Lent - 10am, Cathedral Crypt. We pray for the 12 individuals who are preparing to become Catholic at the Easter Vigil (Saturday 8th April). We joyously congratulate and pray for all preparing for Baptism and full communion this Easter. We are blessed with their witness of faith to spur us on!

50 Year Reunion of St Christopher's Coffee House— Sat 25 March 2023. Gathering in the Haydon Hall, 3-10pm. The 5pm Vigil Mass will be celebrated by Fr Mick Burke joined by the Coffee House Choir group. RSVP by 11th March 2023: Sue Woods smwoods6@gmail.com / 0438 811 742. OR Tricia O'Keeffe: oktricia0@gmail.com / 0414 627 267

50th ANNIVERSARY DINNER— 17 March 2023 Mass of Thanksgiving 5:00pm. Following Mass, we invite all friends of the Cathedral, both new and longstanding, to join our **Anniversary Dinner - Haydon Hall Individual or Table tickets available – trybooking.com/events/landingid=1017990&** or via the QR code



HELP FOR A YOUNG MUM – mum, nurse and veteran. One of our beautiful mums from St Bede's, Red Hill, last year relapsed with the aggressive cancer, sarcoma; one of the rarest cancers, impacting about 1 in a million. The sarcoma started in her right thigh, but now metastasised to both lungs. Any financial donations are greatly appreciated that she might continue treatment, and afforded as much time with her children as possible (Yr 4 and Yr 1). *Donations can be made to Parish Account with the Subject Line – Helpmum_surname* Thank you for your support

CATHEDRAL LENTEN BIBLE STUDY— Join us in a Lenten Bible study based on the book, 'The Return of the Prodigal Son' by Henri Nouwen. We will begin by reflecting on the **Prologue and Introduction, Monday 27 Feb 7pm in the Haydon Hall.** Copies of the book are available in the Book Store and additional copies have been ordered. All are welcome.

VOCATIONS DINNER— at Archbishop's house Thurs 2 March 6pm. An evening comprising of a talk on the priesthood, Eucharistic Adoration and a meal. Those seeking to discern a vocation to the priesthood/religious life are welcome. Please contact one of our three vocation directors (rsvp required) Fr Emil Milat emil.milat@cg.org.au / 62485472 Fr Joshua Scott: joshua.scott@cg.org.au, Fr Eden Langlands eden.langlands@cg.org.au



NOTICES

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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/

Thank you for your generosity

PROJECT COMPASSION APPEAL 2023 – Please take a *Project Compassion* box or set of donation envelopes to support *Caritas Australia* this Lent. You can donate at caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or at 1800 024 413. “The future starts today, not tomorrow.” – St Pope John Paul II Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today & build a better tomorrow, for All Future Generations.

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.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2023— Friday 3 March at 11am at St Paul's Anglican Church, 70 Canberra Avenue Manuka.

LENT 2023 WITH THE CATHOLIC GUY BRUCE DOWNES—For 40 days you will receive a short, practical and inspiring video in your inbox every morning to help you during your Lenten journey. This program is FREE, sign up here: <https://BruceDownes.org/Lent23>

SEEKING HISTORIC PHOTOS—Please send copies of your historic photos (with description) of Saint Christopher's, to cathedral@cg.org.au. These will form part of a display for our anniversary year.

SPIRITUALITY MORNING—Audio Visual Presentation “Falling Upward” by Fr Richard Rohr. An insightful understanding of our journey as we grow Spiritually, highlighting the richness of what he calls the ‘Second Half of Life.’ **Monday 20 March 10am-12pm** Sisters of Mercy Community Centre Phillip. Further details/registration, contact Sr Lorraine at lorraine.cuppitt@gmail.com

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION— Held each Saturday 4.30pm in St Peter Chanel's Parish room, Yarralumla. Newcomers are welcome, or enquire: Rod/Susan Page, 0401 731 918.

FIRESIDE CHAT— Will take place **3 March 2023, 1:30pm** and will feature Raifiel Cyril discussing her book “Passion to Pentecost” - a 100 day devotional. Raifiel, a local author, wrote this self-help manual for the faithful. It includes a daily series of reflections and prayers Pentecost Sunday (Day 100).



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...

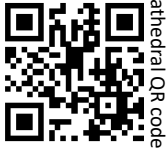
Those to be baptised: Anna & Logan Goldstein, George & Charlie Tanner, Tigerlily Sione

Those who are ill: Tony Kelly, Susie Menadue, Geraldene Ford, Kevin & Geraldine Conlon, Maja Marija Olip, Sophy Jacob, McKenzie Killian, Sophy, 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: Lauren Rochette, Alfonso Cadona, Saverio Calabria, Carlos & Francisca Abad, Anthony Osborne, Remigio & Maria Res, Pasquale Ciuffetelli, Noel Flanagan, Shannon Stevenson, Kenneth Mulach, Camillo Buhagiar, Helen Heffernan, Joyce Balnaves, Baby Georgia Morrison, Helen Richardson, Elsie Corkhill, Deceased Members of the O'Hanlon, Blackall, Eduardo Makaventa, Eugene Makaventa, Gorman & Proust Families, Claire Jones, Brianna Humphreys, Leo Biggs, Norma Roach, Gail Fenton,

Recently Deceased: Bishop David O'Connell, Hayden Marsh, Clara Yee, Victims in Syria & Turkey, displaced and refugees from Ukraine, Remziye Yucel, Shelley Cameron, Tom McClelland, Father Neville Drinkwater OAM, Giuseppe Paragalli, Sheila Langtry, Clare Broe (nee Scully), Jim Molan, Colleen Phillips, Renato Cervo, George Save, Maria Honchera, George Cardinal Pell, Denise Schmidt, Benedict XVI, Vin Kane, Tony Tamer, Frits Tedjakuntara, Joseph Williams, Philomena D'Cruze,

1st Sunday of Lent –Year A — 25/26 February



Cathedral QR code

Entrance Antiphon: When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days

Responsorial: Be merciful, O' Lord, for we have sinned

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Communion Antiphon: One does not live by bread alone, but every word that comes forth from the mouth of God

First Reading

Gen 2:7-9; 3:1-7

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then he breathed into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being. The Lord God planted a garden in Eden which is in the east, and there he put the man he had fashioned. The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the middle of the garden. The serpent was the most subtle of all the wild beasts that the Lord God had made. It asked the woman, 'Did God really say you were not to eat from any of the trees in the garden?' The woman answered the serpent, 'We may eat the fruit of the trees in the garden. But of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, "You must not eat it, nor touch it, under pain of death".' Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like gods, knowing good and evil.' The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and pleasing to the eye, and that it was desirable for the knowledge that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it. She gave some also to her husband who was with her, and he ate it. Then the eyes of both of them were opened and they realised that they were naked. So they sewed fig-leaves together to make themselves loin-cloths.

Second Reading

Rom 5:12, 17-19 (longer version Rom 5:12-19)

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. If it is certain that death reigned over everyone as the consequence of one man's fall, it is even more certain that one man, Jesus Christ, will cause everyone to reign in life who receives the free gift that he does not deserve, of being made righteous. Again, as one man's fall brought condemnation on everyone, so the good act of one man brings everyone life and makes them justified. As by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.

Gospel

Mt 4:1-11

Jesus was led by the Spirit out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, after which he was very hungry, and the tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to turn into loaves.' But he replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.' The devil then took him to the holy city and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down; for scripture says: He will put you in his angels' charge, and they will support you on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.' Jesus said to him, 'Scripture also says: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: Next, taking him to a very high mountain, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour. 'I will give you all these', he said, 'if you fall at my feet and worship me.' Then Jesus replied, 'Be off, Satan! For scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.' Then the devil left him, and angels appeared and looked after him.

READERS ROSTER FEBRUARY

Lectors

Mass	25/26 Feb	4/5 March		
5.00pm (SCC)	Crystal Lavien Ruth Meadows	Edwina Hyman Mark Hyman		
6.00pm (SPC)	Fiona Wheeler Tarinya Hannedege	Tarinya Hannedege Fiona Wheeler		
8.00am (SCC)	Dione Smith Marcus Smith	Phil Pocock Dione Smith		
9.30am (SPC)	Dominic Chin Clarice Poh	Jaye Corcoran Maria Noronha		
11.00am (SCC)	Jacqueline Hipwell Leeann Galloway	Leszek Buszynski Bianca Goh		
5.00pm (SCC)	Solange Pereira Becky Langworthy	Liz Porra Becky Langworthy		

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