

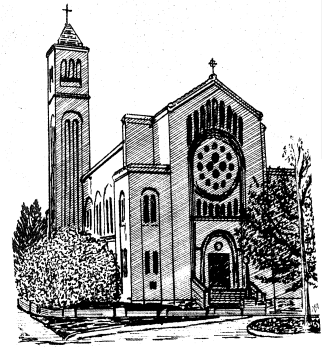
# St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

20th Sunday, Ordinary  
Time, Year C  
14 August 2022



Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn  
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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

## CAN DIVISION EVER BE A GOOD THING?

Jesus tells us that he has come not to bring peace, but division.

This is unexpected; surely, peace is good thing? Didn't Jesus come to bring peace to us? To bring peace between us and God?

Jesus did not come to bring peace; he came to bring victory. Jesus did not come to earth to negotiate our release from sin; He came to rescue us from our sins.

Now, no one is rescued unless they are divided from their captor. A Christian life requires division, we need to cut ourselves off from sin, we need to withdraw from bad influences, and we need to surrender ourselves to Christ.

In a moral life, there is no compromise between good and evil. No one can negotiate with their sins; we can only fight against them, or be controlled by them. Unity between good and evil, cannot exist.

We seek unity, but all too often, we settle for unsatisfactory dominance of one person or thing over another. In relationships and families, this is often true. We especially value unity between people; there is nothing quite as hope giving and reassuring as a family united in mutual love and strengthened by shared beliefs, hopes and visions. Sadly, we don't have to look far to find that this is not always the case. Jesus warns us in the gospel: that Father and Son will be divided, and Mother and Daughter will be divided too.

How often do we value an unsatisfactory unity over truth and goodness, in friendships and in family life?

There are so many times that we compromise with evil for the sake of unity. Think of the times when we hold our tongue rather than speaking out, or when we lie rather than upset someone. Self-censorship has become endemic in our faith – too many times we fall into the lie of believing that our faith is something to hide, or something to be ashamed of, or something that will cause offence. We refuse to live up to God's commands, because we fear the unforgiveness of those we love.

Such a unity is an abomination!

True unity is built out of mutual trust, respect and love -- not compromise, coercion, and subservience.

Let us pray for the courage to be divisive, for the courage to have hard conversations, for the courage to risk telling and living up to the truth.

Fr Alex.



# PARISH NEWS

## PARISH MINISTRIES

### Director of Music

Ms Jaki Kane

### RCIA

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### Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon Aug 15 20th week of Ord. Time

*The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Tues Aug 16 20th week of Ord. Time

Wed. Aug 17 20th week of Ord. Time

Thurs. Aug 18 20th week of Ord. Time

Fri. Aug 19 20th week of Ord. Time

Sat. Aug 20 20th week of Ord. Time  
St Bernard

Sun. Aug 21 21st 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.



## SOLEMNITY, THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

-Monday 15th AUGUST

Mass times: 7:30am, 12:15pm  
& 5:30pm

(At Saint Christopher's,  
Holy Day of Obligation)

**RCIA 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 to deepen knowledge of the faith, as well as prepare for adult Baptism and Confirmation. Contact the parish. Gatherings begin first week of **October**, 6pm, Thursdays.

**ARCHBISHOP'S LETTER TO MP & SENATORS** on 'Territory rights' and subsequent Assisted Suicide Bill—on our Parish Website

**2022 SCHOOL OF RELIGION—** First Eucharist classes start 18 Oct for 13 November. Enroll at [cg.org.au/cathedral/Home.aspx](http://cg.org.au/cathedral/Home.aspx) or contact the office.

**MAGISTERIUM, WITH FR. ALEX OSBORNE –** For our last *Conversations on Faith* evening of the Divine Revelation series we are thrilled to have Fr. Alex Osborne. **17th of August from 6pm at Haydon Hall.** Any questions please contact [anh.tran@cg.org.au](mailto:anh.tran@cg.org.au)

**GRILL'D & GOD | Man & Woman He Created Them –** Inviting all high-school students to Grill'd in Gungahlin on **Wednesday the 24th of August from 5.30pm** for an evening of delicious burgers, games, and a panel discussion and Q&A where you get to ask all your questions anonymously through [menti.com](https://www.menti.com)! Registration is free! Any questions please get in contact [anh.tran@cg.org.au](mailto:anh.tran@cg.org.au)

**REMAINING CAUTIOUS-** Please remain cautious as flu and Covid continue. Face masks encouraged are during liturgies. Thank you for your continued efforts.

**PARISH READING GROUP –** You are invited to join a Reading Group "Many Gifts - One Spirit: Living our vocations and callings in the Church and in the World today". Wed Evenings 7:30pm (1st & 3rd of month). Contact 0401 994 081

**READERS FORMATION TRAINING-** Held Saturday 10 September after 12:15pm Mass. Training will include practical reading practice and procedures. Please contact [scc.spc.readers@gmail.com](mailto:scc.spc.readers@gmail.com)

**PASTORAL & SPIRITUAL CARE TRAINING—** 5 day course: What is Pastoral/ Spiritual Care; empathy, grief and loss, spiritual reflection and self-care. Two courses on offer: Sept 21 to Oct 19, 2022 and Feb 15-Mar 15 2023, 9-5pm in Queanbeyan; cost \$400. Contact Susanne Schmidt on 0431 243 486 or at [susanecpe@gmail.com](mailto:susanecpe@gmail.com)

**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



Synod  
2021  
2023

Pope Francis has invited the Church to reflect on the path of synodality which he says is "decisive" for the "life and mission of the Church of the third millennium". Stay up to date by visiting

[synod.va/en.html](http://synod.va/en.html)

## 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/](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.

**ARCHBISHOP LAUNCHES THE YEAR OF WALKING TOGETHER**— Find the Archbishop's full letter on our website :) [cg.org.au/cathedral/Home.aspx](http://cg.org.au/cathedral/Home.aspx)

**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)

**AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED**—Anton Vassallo from the pontifical foundation, Aid to the Church in Need (ACN), will speak briefly at the end of each Mass this weekend.

**LIVING WORD - ARCHDIOCESAN DAILY GOSPEL REFLECTIONS** – Want to stay connected to Christ and his Gospel every day? Sign up for FREE AT [cgcatholic.org.au/LivingWord/](http://cgcatholic.org.au/LivingWord/)

**SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY, 28 August** – Bishops' Social Justice Statement: **Respect: Confronting violence and abuse.** Visit [socialjustice.catholic.org.au/](http://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/) / 6201 9845.

**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.

**ARCHDIOCESAN CLERGY RETIREMENT FOUNDATION**—voluntary position available for a Management Committee member. Enquiries to Fr Trenton.

**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.

**We pray for...**

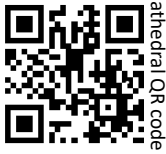
**Those to be baptised:** Hugo Blue, Brooklyn Bonfini, Lachlan Pettersson, Edward Madden, Florence Thiele

**Those who are ill:** Phil Pocock, 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:** Keith Wong, Bruna Stevenson, Maria Memmolo, Clare O'Connor, Rosa Morabito, Pat Boyle, Alejandro & Orlando Cerda, Alex Skleplic, Petty Gonsalvez, Paul Ryan, Francesco & Francesca Barbaro, Joan Kaucz, Anka Gnjec, Tulla & Sam Brown, Gwen & Mick Gallagher, Michael O'Brien, Odette Gaspardis, Michael McKeown, Flo Daley, Fr Vincent Dowdy, Amelia Kneipp, William Saw, Anna Kieswimmer, Margaret Mary Kelly, Kath Durie, Annie James, Eileen Biggs, Annie Davis, Sr Gertrude Ryan, Michael Heath, Michael O'Connor, Cardinal EB Clancy, Fr Giuseppe Canova, Fr Adrian Cork, James Rice, Kit Dale, Rita Dodson, Noel Honan, Marjorie Kenny, Patricia Robertson, Charlie Morella, Norman Stevenson, Clive Waldren, Clarita Flores, Laurus Westende, Thomas Bradshaw, Kathleen Ford, Christopher Ford, Adrienne Brown, Rodrigo de Guzman

**Recently Deceased:** Marie Hargreaves, Maria Teow Mah Lia, Don Robertson, Mary Rose Skidmore, Giuseppe Pelle, Peter Myat Htoo, Roza-lia 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,





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**Entrance Antiphon:** Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

**Responsorial:** Lord, come to my aid!

**Gospel Acclamation:** My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

**Communion Antiphon:** With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

**First Reading**

**Jer 38:4-6.8-10**

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank. Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said, 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

**Second Reading**

**Heb 12:1-4**

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shameful of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

**Gospel**

**Lk 12:49-53**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!' 'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER				
Lectors			Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	
Mass	13/14 Aug	20/21 Aug	13/14 Aug	20/21 Aug
5.00pm (SCC)	Ruth Meadows Leszek Buszynski	Jacob Madden Roseanne McGrath		
6.00pm (SPC)	Felicity de Fombelle Mike Nash	Wanda Kaucz Mike Nash		
8.00am (SCC)	Joe Zavone Louise Zavone	Louise Zavone Joe Zavone	Marcus Smith	Volunteer
9.30am (SPC)	Dominic Chin Clarice Poh	Jaye Corcoran Ruth Meadows		
11.00am (SCC)	Jacqui Ramesh Mark Hyman	Jacqueline Hipwell Leeann Galloway	Bronwen Grey Mark Hyman	Edwina Hyman Leeann Galloway
5.00pm (SCC)	Sarah Miron Kevin Woods	Crystal Lavien Annabelle Devitt		

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