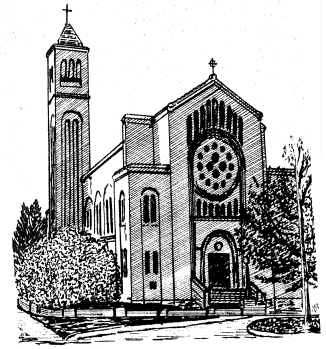


St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

23rd Sunday, Ordinary
Time: Year C
4th September 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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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

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

When I read Pope Francis' *Amoris Laetitia* some years ago, I was struck by his reflection on fatherhood. He wrote: "God sets the father in the family so that by the gifts of his masculinity he can be close to his wife and share everything, joy and sorrow, hope and hardship. And to be close to his children as they grow – when they play and when they work, when they are carefree and when they are distressed, when they are talkative and when they are silent, when they are daring and when they are afraid, when they stray and when they get back on the right path..."

Certainly, as human fathers (including the spiritual fatherhood of the priesthood) we achieve this ideal to a lesser or greater extent. It is however the perfection found in God's Fatherhood which we seek to emulate. God our Father is ever-present in the good and the difficult, the high and the low, the affluent times and the desolate - a true Father, who shares in everything with us, and never leaves our side.

Whether biological, spiritual, or adoptive, fatherhood is the vocation of every man. Perhaps today, the greatest sadness lies in the fact that many do not realise or embrace this truth.

In these years and months, we have witnessed again, how the calm, comforting, guiding and protective vocation of the father is as essential as ever. The world needs men. The world needs fathers.

Let us give genuine hanks today, for all fathers. Those living and those deceased; fathers to-be, and father figures.

Thank God for the gift of fatherhood, a participation in the Love of God. We ask for the grace and strength for all called and gifted with this noble and magnificent vocation.

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus to the care of Joseph, an earthly father. Bless all fathers, as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in their call, to protect those who look to them.

May they echo your life giving Fatherhood, as we look to you for love and life, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. Amen.

With fatherly affection,
Father Trenton

FATHER DAY APPEAL 2022

Dear Friends,

The 2022 Archdiocesan Father's Day Appeal will be conducted in all parishes over the weekend of the 3rd and 4th of September to support the Clergy Retirement Foundation.

We should remember our retired priests as we celebrate the theme for the *Second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly* "In old age they will still bear fruit" (Psalm 92:15), which emphasis how grandparents and the elderly are a value and a gift both for society and for ecclesial communities.

Many of our retired priests still live independently and continue to serve our community by celebrating mass, ministering in hospitals, caring for the sick, and grieving. Other retired priests are frail and require medical support. Without the Clergy Retirement Foundation, their retirement and care options would be less secure. They have been the cornerstones of our Catholic Community, and it is fitting that we care for them as they age.

So, please prayerfully consider giving a generous gift today.

You can make a tax-deductible donation:

- By envelopes inside church entrances
- By giving at: www.cgatholic.org.au/donate
- Calling (02) 6239 9801

Thank you for taking care of our priests in their retirement
Archbishop Christopher Prowse

PARISH NEWS

PARISH MINISTRIES

Director of Music

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RCIA

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Miss Chiara Catanzariti

Youth Minister

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Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon Sept 5 23rd week of Ord. Time

Tues Sept 6 23rd week of Ord. Time

Wed. Sept 7 23rd week of Ord. Time

Thurs. Sept 8 23rd week of Ord. Time
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Fri. Sept 9 23rd week of Ord. Time

Sat. Sept 10 23rd week of Ord. Time

Sun. Sept 11 24th 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.

BISHOPS' SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2022/23 - *Respect: Confronting Violence & Abuse Statement & Australian Catholic Bishops Conference Media Release* see our website.

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


ARCHDIOCESAN CATHOLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION – Seeking Expressions of Interest. The Archbishop seeks to appoint 2 new members from 2023 & further members from mid-2023. Enquiries and Expressions of Interest should be directed to the Commission's Chair, Dr Patrick McArdle, patrick.mcardle@cg.org.au. Closing Date: Friday 14 October 2022.

READERS FORMATION TRAINING— Held Saturday 10 September after 12:15pm Mass. We invite those who feel called to the Ministry to participate in Readers formation & procedural practice. Current readers are welcome. Contact scc.spc.readers@gmail.com

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.

2022
Father's Day Appeal
Still serving God and our community

'In old age they will still bear fruit'
Psalm 92:15

  **USE THE QR CODE TO DONATE**

Clergy Retirement Fund
Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn

Thank you for taking care of our priests in their retirement

Our parish acknowledges and celebrates the original custodians of this sacred land, the Ngunnawal people.

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 cgatholic.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.

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

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

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

LIVING WORD - ARCHDIOCESAN DAILY GOSPEL REFLECTIONS – Want to stay connected to Christ and his Gospel every day? Sign up for FREE AT cgatholic.org.au/LivingWord/

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.

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

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

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 who are ill: Sophy Jacob, McKenzie Killian, Phil Pocock, Sophy, Medardo Balmaceda, Sally Barber, Gerry Dullard OSA, Fr Bill, Leung Man Kon, Matthew Hurley, Beryl Johnson, Florencio Fariña, Alejandra Martinez, Colliss Parrett, Arianna Vignale, Stella Lazar, Rod Duncan, Anthony, Paul Mychailuk, Kalum, Nicholas Dyne

Anniversaries of death: Marie Therese Pocock, Mary Euphrasia Fernando, 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: Jim Serafin, Amelia LoPilato, Teddy Kartadinata, Marie Hargreaves, Maria Teow Mah Lia, 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



Cathedral QR code

Entrance Antiphon: You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

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

Gospel Acclamation: Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws.

Communion Antiphon: Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

First Reading

Wis 9:13-18

What man can know the intentions of God? Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasoning's of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens? As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom and sent your holy spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom.

Second Reading

Phlm 9-10, 12-17

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

Gospel

Lk 14:25-33

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. 'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER				
Lectors			Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist	
Mass	3/4 Sept	10/11 Sept	3/4 Sept	10/11 Sept
5.00pm (SCC)	Mark Hyman Edwina Hyman	Ruth Meadows Les Buszynski		
6.00pm (SPC)	Felicity de Fombelle Wanda Kaucz	Fiona Wheeler Mike Nash		
8.00am (SCC)	Marcus Smith Dione Smith	Louise Zavone Joe Zavone	Volunteer	Volunteer
9.30am (SPC)	Lyn Chan Damien Balanchandran	Clarice Poh Dominic Chin		
11.00am (SCC)	Jacqui Ramesh Cecilia Flores	Leeann Galloway Jacqueline Hipewell	Volunteer	Jacqueline Hipwell Leeann Galloway
5.00pm (SCC)	Annabelle Devitt Jacob Madden	Becky Langworthy Kristina Faigl		

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