

## St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

26th Sunday in Ord. Time, Year B 29th September 2024 Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn
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Come, Holy Spirit

Archdiocesan Assembly



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Accounts Officer: Karina Widjaja—8am-4pm Monday

## **Sunday Mass**

#### St Christopher's

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

Sat. Vigil: 5.00pm Sunday: 8.00am,

11.00am (livestreamed),

5.00pm

#### St Peter Chanel's

Cnr Weston & Loch Streets,

Yarralumla ACT **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

#### 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

#### **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

St Christopher's:

2nd & 4th Sundays: 12.30pm

St Peter Chanel's:

3rd Sunday: 10:30am

Weddings

St Christopher's: Saturday

1.30pm & 3.00pm

St Peter Chanel's: By arrangement

# 110th World Day of Migrants and Refugees God walks with His people: Message of Pope Francis

"... God not only walks with his people, but also within them, in the sense that he identifies himself with men and women on their journey through history, particularly with the least, the poor and the marginalized. In this we see an extension of the mystery of the Incarnation. ..." – Pope Francis

## Introducing the Message of Pope Francis, "God walks with His people"

In the Message of Pope Francis on the 110<sup>th</sup> World Day of Migrants and Refugees, 2024, there is the reference to the synodal dimension of this day.

We are becoming increasing familiar these days to the words "synodal" and "synodality". These ancient but new words for us in Australia refer to our "walking together" with the Lord "as the People of God journeying through history on pilgrimage, "migrating", we could say, toward the Kingdom of Heaven."

The Pope contrasts the images of the biblical exodus and migrants. There are similarities. These include the fleeing "from oppression, abuse, insecurity, discrimination, and lack of opportunities for development."

The Message insists that the Exodus and each type of Exodus shares the fundamental reality that "God precedes and accompanies his people."

Over the years I have observed the truth of this insight. So many migrants and refugees have, for example, humbly come up to me and asked for the blessing of medals, religious pictures, rosaries, bibles and so on. For these people on the synodal journey of life, such articles are essential travelling companions. They are a reminder that Jesus travels with them in the hazardous journeys they are enduring.

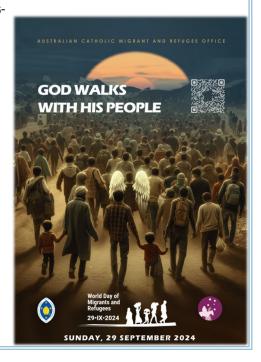
Pope Francis reminds us "God not only walks with his people, but also within them." The encounter with the migrant is an encounter with the migrant Jesus. It is Jesus, within the migrant, who asks us for shelter, opportunity, visits, basic essentials, and so much more. "I was a stranger and you welcomed me" (Matthew 25/35). We are to be ready with our practical charity on our common synodal journey.

In his final exhortation, Pope Francis in his Message on this special day exhorts us to "unite in prayer for all those who have had to leave their land in search of dignified living conditions. May we journey together with them, be "synodal together".

#### **Archbishop Christopher Prowse**

Bishop Delegate for Migrants and Refugees Australian Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry

Pope Francis' full message can be found on acmro.catholic.org.au/ and the Holy See Website



## **NOTICES**

#### **PARISH MINISTRIES**

#### **Director of Music**

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#### **Weekly Liturgical Calendar**

Mon Sept 30 26th Week in Ord. Time St Jerome

Tues Oct 1 26th Week in Ord. Time St Therese

Wed Oct 2 26th Week in Ord. Time Holy Guardian Angels

Thu. Oct 3 26th Week in Ord. Time

Fri. Oct 4 26th Week in Ord. Time St Francis of Assisi

Sat. Oct 5 26th Week in Ord. Time

Sun Oct 6 27th SUNDAY in ORD TIME, Yr B

#### **PARISH GROUPS**

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.

**PARISH MORNING TEA**— First Sunday of the month in the Haydon Hall after the 8am Mass. Everyone is welcome! Next date: **Sunday 3rd November**.

ARCHDIOCESAN ASSEMBLY: The Parish has been invited to send representatives to participate in this key gathering of the Church in our Archdiocese. The Assembly will focus on celebrating the work of the Holy Spirit, and prayerfully discerning new opportunities for evangelisation and synodality in the life and mission of our local Church. The Assembly will run from 5pm on Friday 18 October to 12.30pm on Sunday 20 October here in Canberra. If you are interested in representing the Cathedral Parish, please email <a href="mailto:cathedral@cg.org.au">cathedral@cg.org.au</a> or express your interest by Tuesday 24 September. For more information, visit cgevangelisation.org.au/assembly

ASSEMBLY WEEKEEND; MASS CHANGE— Please note, the Saturday 9am Mass on the 19th October will be canceled and instead held at 7:30am for the Assembly.

**ARCHBISHOPS PASTORAL VISIT**: The Archbishop will make a Pastoral visit to the Cathedral Parish next weekend, **4-6 October**, and all members of our community are encouraged to join one of the events running over the weekend! **Friday night**, there will be a Holy Hour with the Archbishop at 5pm, followed by a light supper and reflections on becoming an invitational parish in the Haydon Hall. On **Sunday**, there will be morning tea after the 9.30am Mass at St Peter Chanel, and a light lunch after the 11am Mass at the Cathedral. Please note that this means there will be no morning tea this month after the 8am Mass – this will resume on Sunday, 3 November.

**APOLOGETICS WITH FR ALEX— 30th September** at **6:30pm in** the Haydon Hall. Learn how to talk about our faith in a convincing and persuasive way. This series will be more than lectures, it will feature workshops, simulations and practical content. We will explore when to argue and when not to argue.

CANBERRA CATHOLIC BALL—You are invited to the 2024 Canberra Catholic Ball: A Royal Affair! Held October 19th 2024, 7pm-11pm in the Juliet Room at Verity Lane Market. Bring your friends and meet other young Catholics from across Canberra at a great night of regally-themed fun. Open to all Catholic Young Adults in the Archdiocese of Canberra-Goulburn, (Ages 18-35). Tickets are \$120 and include a four hour drinks package and a selection of canapés. Tickets are limited so make sure you don't miss out! For more information visit the Canberra Cathodral Young Adults Facebook page or email catholicyoungadults.cbr@gmail.com We look forward to seeing you there! Tickets available at: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com.au/">https://www.eventbrite.com.au/</a>

**Sunday 29 September Respect Life Sunday** Archbishop Christopher will celebrate Respect Life Sunday at the 11am Cathedral Mass followed by a Light Luncheon and Expo of groups supporting and advocating for human life at its most vulnerable. All welcome. Contact <a href="lara.kirk@cg.org.au">lara.kirk@cg.org.au</a>

Respect Life Sunday Talk—The ACT Right to Life Association is hosting speaker Monica Doumit, on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October at 12:45pm in the Haydon Hall. Monica has been influential in legislative battles on life, marriage, and family issues. As the ACT prepares to implement liberal euthanasia laws, she will share insights on the future of the prolife movement. Speaker, Q&A, Refreshments. Contact actrtlassoc@gmail.com

RCIA 2024-25 Interested in learning more about Jesus, exploring faith and life's meaning? Journey with a like-minded community. RCIA (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is an opportunity to learn more about the Catholic faith in a welcoming environment. Open to all and particularly designed for those interested in exploring the idea of becoming Catholic or receiving the Sacraments for the first time. We gather Thursday evenings, 6pm. To register or for more Information, email <a href="mailto:cathodic.com/catho

Theology of the Body in the Upper Room—CG youth, Disciples of Jesus and the Cathedral parish are collaborating to host a weekly five-part Theology of the Body experience for young adults! For five nights across 5 weeks with music, testimonies, guest speakers and more. Join other young adults, starting Tuesday 15 October from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at Public Bar, Manuka. Email Anita at <a href="mailto:youth.cathedral@cg.org.au">youth.cathedral@cg.org.au</a> for any inquiries. Register at <a href="mailto:https://forms.gle/NxGKa4dZdBF5xuzR8">https://forms.gle/NxGKa4dZdBF5xuzR8</a>

**CONVERSATIONSON FAITH**— Tuesday **October 1st, 7pm Haydon Hall.** In our next session, we are looking at Faith and Friendship with our very own Catherine Cunningham. Join us as we explore the gift of friendship and discuss how our friendships reveal Christ's love and provide a glimpse of what will endure eternally. All ages are welcome!

**ALL SAINTS DAY PARTY—** Save the Date for the upcoming annual All Saints Day Party. Sunday **3 November 2024.** There will be activities for all the family and a costume competition after the 11am Mass at the Haydon Hall.



## **NOTICES**

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: CATHEDRAL & 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);

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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! Please see flyers located in the parish foyers. *Thank you for your generosity* 

**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.

**SPC morning tea**: The PPC are looking for volunteers to help establish a monthly Parish morning tea at St Peter Chanel's after the 9.30am Sunday Mass. Please email the Parish Office to express your interest!

**MARYMEAD CATHOLICCARE**— a non-for-profit organization servicing the ACT and southern and western regional areas of NSW, delivering high quality, individual and family support services for over 60 years. These include: foster care, alcohol & drug support, mental health, homelessness, accommodation support, disability care & support, counselling and aged care. For more information, visit <a href="https://mccg.org.au/">https://mccg.org.au/</a> or call 61626100 for any assistance.

CANBERRA BACH ENSEMBLE – CELEBRATING 25 YEARS - Preise, Jerusalem, den Herrn!...Return from Leipzig. Come and enjoy four stupendous Bach thanksgiving Cantatas BWV 119, 148, 192 & 137 on Saturday 5 October at 7.30pm, and Sunday 6 October at 2.00pm at St Christopher's Cathedral, For more info and to purchase tickets, please visit www.canberrabachensemble.com

#### Teresa Benedicta

Women's House of Prayer

A residence for young adult women, in full-time work or study, interested in their Catholic Faith and participating in the Cathedral Parish. Living individual freedom and commitment to common life of prayer and sorority.

The house is located in Red Hill, has a chapel, garden, kitchen and common area, with five bedrooms.
\$400 per week per person

Expressions of interest to cathedral@cg.org.au



We pray for...

Those to be baptised: Matilda Gunnion

Those to be married: Mohannad Alrishan & Natalie Farhad

Those who are ill: Ana Potrebica, Pieter van Gent, Mary Lou Davies, Gregory John McClelland, Cyrus & Maximus Mee, Maria Louisa, Rose Hook, Nicoletta Ricciuti, Sonja Vocisano, Archie Ferris, Tony Dickins, Marilena Damiano, Fr Greg Beath, Sophy Jacob, Alla Skorokhodova, Tony Kelly, Susie Menadue, Geraldene Ford, Maja Marija Olip, McKenzie Killian, Fr Bill, Leung Man Kon, Beryl Johnson, Florencio Fariña, Alejandra Martinez, Colliss Parrett, Arianna Vignale, Stella Lazar, Rod Duncan, Paul Mychailuk, Kalum, Nicholas Dyne.

Anniversaries of death: Antonio Torres Hidalgo, John Francis Thompson, Baby 'Angel' Thompson, Tom Brennan, Ralph Biggs, Michael Kelly, Teresa Calabria, Millie & Dick Millwood, Iris Mangan, William Flanagan, Beryl Phillis, Judith Appleton, John Roberts, Guerino Belmonte, Alfonso Cadona, Jim Phelan, Dorothy O'Donnell Vail, Jack Kane, Maria Walker, Colleen Brazil, Margaret Byrnes, Betty O'Brien, Norman Stevenson, Francesco Calabria, Guerino Belmonte, Rina Valentini, Robert Lepore, James Soo, Fernando Antonelli

Recently Deceased: Fr Colliss Parrett, Fr Brian Ebert, Anna Vincent, Domenica Velona, Salvatore Alba, Lawrence Saha, Pauline Taffa, John O'Kane, Fr Gerald O'Collins SJ, Jim Rogers, Brian Tozer, Judy McBrien, Jaroslaw Jakiwczyk, Fr Peter James Gannon, Emilia Belmonte

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time —Year B — 28/29 Sep



**Entrance Antiphon:** All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy. **Responsorial:** The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia! Communion Antiphon: Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

First Reading Numbers 11:25-29

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look', he said, 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

Second Reading James 5:1-6

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

Gospel Mark 9:38-43.45. 47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

READERS ROSTER SEPTEMBER				
Lectors			Eucharistic Ministers	
Mass	28/29 Sept	5/6 Oct	28/29 Sept	5/6 Oct
5.00pm (SCC)	Jacob Madden Dorilyn Desuyo	Edwina Hyman Mark Hyman		
8.00am (SCC)	Dione Smith Zvon Seselja	Marcus Smith Mitch Tanner		
9.30am (SPC)	Raphael Molu	Fiona Wheeler Marcelle Disanayake		
11.00am (SCC)	Steven Beutel Cecilia Flores	Bianca Goh Les Buszynski	Jacqui Ramesh Kathy Ruston	Jacqueline Hipwell Leeann Galloway
5.00pm (SCC)	Anthony Brierley Liz Porra	Francilia Gomes Liz Porra		

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