

St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

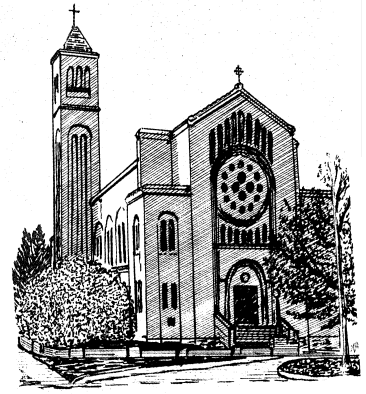
(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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12/13 Oct 2019

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:

Friday weekly 5-6pm.
Adoration: First Friday of the
month 12.45-2pm.
Holy Hour & Benediction for dis-
cernment of Priestly vocations:
1st Thurs of the month 7-8pm

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 (Wednesday's only)

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

How fast the year is passing by, already well into October. October is traditionally the month of the Rosary and so in these days we turn to Mary and ask for her guidance in a particular way. Over the next few weeks there is much happening in both the parish and the Archdiocese. The annual **Marian Procession and Youth Pilgrimage** will take place at Saint Clement's, Galong on **Sunday the 27th**. Many will gather again from around the Archdiocese and Australia for Mass with our Archbishop and of course the Procession to the Grotto. Please join us for this beautiful day of prayer and celebration; it is a truly multicultural occasion and a chance to grow closer to Jesus through His own mother.

THE Joy OF THE GOSPEL

October also means the next instalment of the **Joy of The Gospel** series which this year will take place on **Saturday the 19th**. This Archdiocesan initiative promotes parish renewal, through *good community, good teaching and preaching & good music*. I encourage as many as possible from our parish to be a part of this event. It is free, and provides a wonderful resource as we continue to build our parish. Please register your interest by visiting the website, <https://www.joyofthegospel.com.au/> where you can also find out more about the speakers on the day.

This month we will continue our own **Commitment Sunday** campaign. This is an opportunity to discern perhaps joining a particular ministry in the parish, or simply to note your interest in an existing group. I am personally looking forward to the Young Adult's Group expanding even more, and to a Youth Group also emerging in the very near future. While not listed on the form at present, know that this is close on the horizon! *Commitment Sunday* Forms are located at the entrances. I want to take this opportunity to thank all who have (some for many years now) contributed tirelessly to the various ministries in our wonderful Cathedral parish. Your generosity, patience and faith are not only immensely appreciated but profoundly admired.

Finally, the obvious! We have returned to the original format for our weekly bulletin. While we'll lose our wonderful reflections by Fr Brenden Byrne S.J. I do hope the new format proves helpful.

Please always be assured of our continual prayers for you, and in this month of October let's continually evoke Our Lady's protection over our parish, diocese, country and world.

Fr Trenton

PARISH NEWS

PARISH MINISTRIES

Parish Pastoral Council

Parish Finance Council

Director of Music

Jaki Kane

Liturgy Rosters

Gabrielle Wright & Scott Pobihun

RCIA

Fr Trenton van Reesch

School of Religion

Charlotte D'Cruze

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

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.

CASHLESS TAP & GO, COLLECTION OPTION: As a response to visitors & parishioners asking for alternative ways to make donations in a growing 'cash less' society, the Cathedral parish is trialling, with other Canberra parishes, the use of a tap & go donation point. There will be one tap machine available at the end of each Mass at the back doors. The amount is set at \$5.00. This is a trial & more 'tap points' will be available in the future if this method of donation proves helpful to parishioners. Please note that no receipts are issued & these donations do not contribute to your Planned Giving. Donations are to the second collection which is for the maintenance & growth of the parish.

COMMITMENT SUNDAY 2019—*"In the same way all of us, though many, make up one body in Christ, and as different parts, we are all joined to one another"* (Rm.12:5). In the body of Christ, the Church, we are blessed with so many different gifts to be shared through various ministries. During October there will be available a Commitment Sunday form which outlines these ministries and invites you to discern and nominate yourself for one or more. Please take a form home and pray about how you might contribute to a ministry, recalling the words of St. Peter when he said, *"each one of us has received a special grace, so, like good stewards responsible for all these varied graces of God, put it at the service of others"* (1 Pt. 4:10). Forms may be returned anytime to the Office or on a collection plate.

LEGION OF MARY – Will meet again on Wednesday 16 October at 6.15pm in Haydon Hall (behind the Cathedral). Members meet for prayer, spiritual reading and apostolic works. All most welcome to attend. Enquiries: Rick – 0490 233 999 or Jasmin – 0431 060 556.

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): RCIA is the process through which those who have an interest in the Catholic faith may explore the possibility of becoming Catholic. Let us keep those people in our prayers. **Sessions continue 24 October**, 6pm, Parish Office, St Christopher's Pastoral Centre, 55 Franklin St, Forrest. Contact the Cathedral Office to express your interest.

ST CHRISTOPHER'S BOOK OF LIFE INSCRIPTIONS: Parishioners seeking to have the names of deceased loved ones inscribed in the Cathedral's perpetual Book of Life, located in the All Souls Chapel at the back of the Cathedral, are asked to make an offering of \$30 per name to the Parish Office by 18 Oct. Each name is beautifully inscribed in calligraphy. The All Souls Chapel is open daily for quiet, prayerful remembrance.

MEMORIAL HYMN SERVICE: The Cathedral Choir will hold a memorial hymn service on **10 November at 6.30pm**. This will be a service of prayers and hymns requested by parishioners in memory of their deceased loved ones. The hymns 'in memoriam' will be sung by the choir and congregation together.

The choir will use the new Rodgers Organ, positioned in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. This organ has been purchased by the parish with generous financial contributions from the Archdiocese, the Cathedral Choir, and an individual private donor. Parishioners are invited to contribute to the organ purchase, by making a donation and proposing a hymn in memory of their loved ones. A suggested donation amount is \$75. For further enquiries, please contact the Cathedral Music Director, Jaki Kane. jakikane@hotmail.com

2019 COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR—Parish order: Orders are being taken now for the 2019 Columban Calendar. Each calendar is \$9 but the price may reduce to less than \$7 if we have more than 20 ordered. Please call or email the Parish Office on 6239 9846 to place your order by 15 Nov.

TWILIGHT MASS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST CHILDREN: November 2nd marks the feast of **All Souls**. In November especially we remember all those who have died. We are also acutely aware of the pain felt by families left behind, especially when they are our children who have gone before us. A Mass for all those who have lost babies and children will be held on the evening of **Friday 8th of November in Saint Christopher Cathedral at 7:00pm**. Those who have lost children are warmly invited to record their child's name on a card provided (alternatively please let the office know and a card can be made up for you). On the evening you are invited to light a candle to be placed before the altar. In our times of grief let us forever be consoled by Christ :

"Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"... "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes such a child in My name welcomes Me..." (Matt 18:1, 3-5).

OTHER NEWS

THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL PROGRAM, 2019—Sat. 19 Oct, 10am-1pm, Haydon Hall, Forrest. Want to discover ways to improve and cultivate Good Community, Good Teaching and Preaching and Good Music in your parish? The morning will include several short talks and open dialogue discussions. All welcome. Free.
Register: <http://www.joyofthegospel.com.au/>

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL: Perth, 8-10 Dec 2019. ACYF is the biggest national gathering of Catholic young people in Australia. Experience live bands and international speakers, engaging workshops, powerful prayer experiences and more. Explore the diversity and beauty of the Catholic Church with over 5,000 other youth and young adults from around Australia. The Archdiocese will be taking a small group (18 & over). Costs: appr. \$1,550 pp. Info: Huw.Warmenhoven@cg.org.au.

CANBERRA BACH ENSEMBLE and AUSTRALIAN BAROQUE BRASS MAGNIFICAT: Cantatas for the Queen of Heaven, Cantata for a Queen on Earth—12 & 13 Oct, St Christopher's Cathedral. CBE choir, baroque orchestra and soloists, will present Bach's 'Magnificat' Cantatas, BWV 243 and 10, and a Birthday Cantata, BWV 214. Conducted by Andrew Koll, orchestra led by Bianca Porcheddu, soloists Greta Claringbould, Keren Dalzell, Maartje Sevenster, Richard Butler and Andrew Fysh. Info and to purchase tickets, please visit www.canberrabachensemble.com.

"THE IMPACT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & SOCIAL MEDIA" 16 Oct, 7.30pm, Chapel, Australian Centre for Christianity & Culture, Blackall St (corner Kings Ave), Barton. Christians for an Ethical Society (CES) will hold a joint forum with the Catholic Social Justice Commission. Panelists: Paul Bongiorno, Beth Doherty, Huw Warmenhoven and Genevieve Jacobs (chair). The Forum will seek to encourage discussion from the floor. \$5 donation would be appreciated. Further information at www.ces.org.au

ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING EXPO—24 Oct, 5.30-7.30pm, Veritas Bldg, ACU Campus, Watson. Connecting parents with Mental Health Service providers in the ACT. Keynote Speakers—Dr Michael Gordon & Dr Elizabeth Moore. Q & A Panel. Register: <https://www.trybooking.com/BFLGT>.

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. All enquiries remain confidential to the Tribunal.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S DAY OF TEACHING on "One in Christ Jesus" Sat 2 Nov, Haydon Hall, Forrest, 9am-4pm. For more information and to register, call Susanna 0419902293, Maida 0423658326, or Neda 0415266019.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND - 8-10 Nov. Take the time to step back from everyday distractions and rediscover your relationship at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Book online at www.wmme.org.au Alternatively contact Adrian and Janet Sullivan on 0490 774 419 or adrian.janet1@bigpond.com Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

MARIAN PROCESSION – come and join pilgrims from across the Archdiocese at the beautiful St Clements Monastery, Galong on October 27 as we honour Our Lady and her son, Jesus. There will be activities for the family, a coffee van and opportunities for prayer. If you would like to bring a statue of Our Lady, these will be blessed on the day. Details: 9.30am - Youth Pilgrimage from Galong Village, 10.30am – Confession, 11.30am – Mass, 2pm – Procession. There will be a charter bus leaving from St Joseph's, O'Connor, at 8.30am (\$15 pp) bookings can be made through Jasmin—0431 060 556 or directly by email: npham_52@yahoo.com.au
For more information go to www.marianprocession.org.au

ENCOUNTER MYANMAR: Still two places left on an enlightening journey with the Executive Director of Palms Australia. Travelling November 16-29. Enquire via email palms@palms.org.au or call 02 9560 5333.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED is an international Catholic Charity that supports suffering and persecuted Christians. Currently over 200 million Christians worldwide cannot freely exercise their faith; Christians are persecuted, discriminated against or oppressed in more than 40 countries. The primary work of Aid to the Church in Need is focussed on providing spiritual and pastoral support to keep the Catholic faith alive. Visit www.aidtochurch.org and click 'subscribe'. If you prefer to receive our newsletter via post, call 1800 101 201 during business hours to arrange.

Prayer for the Blessing of Rain



Lord God, Bless Australia – our Great South Land of the Holy Spirit.
Grant, that as the Cross shines in our southern skies, so may Christ bring light to our nation, to its peoples old and new.

May we receive the blessing of abundant rain so that the "desert blooms with the life that lies in wait." We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

We pray for... Those to be married: Isabella Blaskovic & Jonathan Perre

Those to be baptised: Alina Stone, Arlo Smith, Armani Wrona-LKassis, Noah Pearce

Those who are ill: John Beckhouse, Oxana Hipwell, Tom Kilmartin, Lucy Duncan, David Cusack, Peter Sutherland, Stella Lazar, Rod Duncan, Bruce Kennedy, Betty O'Neill, Andrew Italiano, Anthony, Lisette D'Cruze, David Kibbey, Jacqueline Khin

Anniversaries of death: Victor Res, William Patrick Boyle, Dorothy Whitfield, William Slanislaw James Duffy, James Richard (Dick) Millwood, Alice Campbell, Phyllis Regazzi, Baby Lillianna Fulop, Kathleen Scott, Annie Kelly, Mick Enderby, Kath McIntosh, Guerino Belmonte,

Recently Deceased: Stanley Marris, Patricia Brennan (Mother of Fr Frank Brennan) Desmind Maquire, Patrick Maher, Florence Taylor, Pasquale Caggiano, Rosalie Novak, Betty O'Brien, Norman Stevenson, John Arganese, Antonio Russo, Salvatore Persico of Turin, Patricia Robertson, John Agius, Barbara Atkins

First Reading

2 Kings 5:14-17

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child. Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. ‘Now I know’ he said, ‘that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.’ But Elisha replied, ‘As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.’ Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, ‘Since your answer is “No,” allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.’

Second Reading

2 Tim 2:8-13

Remember the Good News that I carry. ‘Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David’; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God’s news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it. Here is a saying that you can rely on: If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him. If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.

Gospel Reading

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, ‘Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.’ When he saw them he said, ‘Go and show yourselves to the priests.’ Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, ‘Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.’ And he said to the man, ‘Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.’

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: *If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Alleluia, alleluia! For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: *The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.*

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

Mass	Lectors		Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist	
	12/13 Oct	19/20 Oct	12/13 Oct	19/20 Oct
6.00pm (SPC)	Marcelle Disanayake Damien Balachandran	Felicity de Fombelle Wanda Kaucz	Any available EMHC	Frances Bulbrook
8.00am (SCC)	Mineke Peerboom Liza Quinn	Assigned Kristina Faigl	Phil Pocock Liza Quinn	Mimma Memmolo Tony Pelle
9.30am (SPC)	Dominic Chin Clarice Poh	Gloria Osborne Lynn Chan	Wilfred & Margaret Lawrence	Any available EMHC
11.00am (SCC)	Gabrielle Wright Leeann Galloway	Liz Porra Jacqueline Hipwell	Ceciley Matthews Kathryn Ruston	Edwina Hyman Mark Hyman
5.30pm (SCC)	Youth Mass	Jacob Madden Jonathan Lee	Elizabeth Young Lionel D’Cruze	Elizabeth Young Lionel D’Cruze