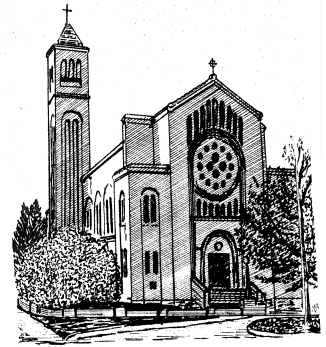


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St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)



28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year A -
11 Oct 2020

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

**Masses will be offered
with a maximum of 100
people present until
further notice.**

PARISH OFFICE

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Parish Secretary: Michelle O'Connor—Mon-Fri, 8.30am-12.15pm, 12.45pm-4.30pm
Accounts Officer: Karina Widjaja—Friday, 8am-4pm

Sunday Mass

St Christopher's

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

Sat. Vigil: 5.00pm

Sunday: 8.00am,
11.00am (livestreamed),
5.30pm

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: 9.00am & 12.15pm

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-12.00noon

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

Baptisms

Sundays: 12.30pm

Weddings

St Christopher's: Saturday

1.30pm & 3.00pm

St Peter Chanel's: By arrangement

Dear Parishioners and visitors to St Christopher's Cathedral Parish,

'Fratelli Tutti'

Inspired in part by St. Francis of Assisi, Pope Francis' 3rd Encyclical *Fratelli Tutti* (*Brothers and Sisters All*) was released last Sunday, October 4 (ordinarily being St. Francis' feast day). The Pope describes it as a 'social encyclical', focusing on *social friendship*, taking its title from one of St Francis' own writings, 'Admonitions'. The Pope begins "*Fratelli Tutti*", "With these words, Saint Francis of Assisi addressed his brothers and sisters and proposed to *them a way of life marked by the flavour of the Gospel.*" These first words of the encyclical recall immediately the Christian's call to be 'salt of the earth', 'light of the world' (Matt 5:13-16).

The Pope goes on to cite the wisdom of the Bishop and Martyr, Saint Irenaeus (ad.125-200) who, using a musical analogy, wrote: "One who seeks the truth should not concentrate on the differences between one note and another, thinking as if each was created separately and apart from the others; instead, he should [realise] that one and the same person composed the entire melody". (58) This vision for a fraternal harmony between all people is striking, and equally challenging, because it pierces into every corner of the human mind and heart. The Pope himself even speaks of the challenge as 'blunt', 'direct and incisive'.

In the second chapter Francis turns to the "stranger on the road" and the well-worn parable of the Good Samaritan. "We need to acknowledge that we are constantly tempted to ignore others, especially the weak. Let us admit that, for all the progress we have made, we are still ...accustomed to looking the other way, passing by, [and] ignoring situations until they affect us directly." (64)

Now while this example is one of the more obvious offences against 'social friendship' perhaps, the Pope then goes deeper into the human condition still, and speaks of the disharmony of 'shameless aggression' in the way we can often find ourselves communicating with each other day to day. Individuals "...can choose a form of constant and febrile bonding that encourages remarkable hostility, insults, abuse, defamation and verbal violence destructive of others, and this with a lack of restraint that could not exist in physical contact without tearing us all apart." He continues, this "social aggression has found unparalleled room for expansion through computers and mobile devices". (44) For these reasons Pope Francis reminds us that we need always start anew from the Truth, giving the world as a whole, and us as individuals, moments to reflect upon.

Please find *Fratelli Tutti* on the Vatican Website.

October is the month of the annual Marian Procession. Due to COVID restrictions however this year, the procession will happen a little differently, 'online'. We are encouraged to meet in groups with family, friends, or individually to pray the Rosary during the week which will culminate in the Multicultural Mass on Sunday 25 October. Each day a video of members from our different cultural communities in the Archdiocese, leading a decade of the rosary, will be available on the Archdiocesan website.

Finally, our RCIA (*Rite of Christian Initiation*) gatherings are set to begin again soon. If you, or someone you know desire to know more about the Catholic Christian faith or perhaps you're already Catholic and are simply desirous of growing deeper in faith, come along! Contact the parish office to register your interest. Our first gathering will be on the 22nd. There is no cost and all are welcome.

Fr Trenton van Reesch
Cathedral Administrator

PARISH NEWS

PARISH MINISTRIES

Director of Music

Jaki Kane

RCIA

Fr Trenton van Reesch

Contact office to register your interest for next RCIA program.

School of Religion

Youth Minister

Chiara Catanzariti

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Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon 12 Oct 28th week in Ordinary Time
Tue 13 Oct 28th week in Ordinary Time
Wed 14 Oct St Callistus
Thu 15 Oct St Theresa of Jesus
Fri 16 Oct St Hedwig & St Margaret
Mary Alacoque
Sat 17 Oct St Ignatius of Antioch
Sun 18 Oct 29th Sunday in Ordinary

Legion of Mary

Thursdays, 5pm, Crypt
Contact: 0431 060 556

St Vincent de Paul

Assisting people in need and combatting social injustice in our community

Adventurers Youth Group

(primary school age)
Sundays, 8.45am SPC

Young Adults Bible Study

Thursday 6.30pm, Hayden Hall
chiara.catanzariti@cg.org.au

Good Shepherd Prayer Group

Wednesday at 7pm SPC
Parish Room (Feb-Dec)

Christian Meditation

Saturday at 5pm 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

Filipino Community

First Sunday bi-monthly at
5.00pm SPC

For details of any of the above, contact the Parish Office.

PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE OR REPOSITION 'SIT HERE' SIGNS ON THE PEWS.

A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Dear Lord, I believe in the presence of Your Body and Blood in the Eucharistic celebration of the Last Supper. Since I cannot receive You Sacramentally, I embrace You Spiritually into my heart. Never permit me to be separated from you. My Lord and my God. Amen.

Permanent livestreaming cameras have been installed at the Cathedral for the 11am Mass. There may be occasions when the congregation is filmed as part of the livestreaming.

No 5pm Vigil Mass on 10 October 2020 due to a prior Wedding booking made before this Mass time was established. Please attend our parish Mass at St Peter Chanel's, Yarralumla at 6pm.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Are you baptised Catholic, but have not yet celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? RCIA is the journey through which those who have an interest in the Catholic faith may explore the possibility of becoming Catholic. It is also for those who simply wish to learn and grow more. Contact the Cathedral Office to express your interest or enquiries. Enquiry evening: **Thurs, 6pm, 22nd October; Sessions begin 29th October.**

Notice about Covid-19 Restrictions: Thank you for consistently adhering to the Covid-19 protocols in our parish. The changes came about so fast and we have all responded magnificently. As of Friday 9th of October we have been able to increase gathering numbers to 139. However it is most important that we do not become complacent.

We are enabled to continue gathering for Mass because of your care and attention, thank you for your patience and support. Please ensure you continue to sanitise your hands frequently and wipe your pew upon exiting.

Weekend Mass Sign in sheets: Please ensure that when signing in for Mass, there is only one name per line. Sheets are marked with the permitted gathering size to ensure this is achieved.

NEW! Download the CHECK IN CBR App: To assist further with complying with our Covid hygiene and data collection requirements during weekday Masses and Visits, we have introduced the "Check In Cbr" App. This can be used instead of manually signing in at the church/hall. The App is free, download onto your smartphone and register, then you simply scan the QR code located in the church entrance each time you enter and it will check you in. All data is secure, you do not have to manually register, it saves time and now you don't have to touch the pen! **Please note this will only be in used during weekdays. WEEKEND MASSES MUST REMAIN MANUAL SIGNING IN** - so as to ensure numbers are not exceeded. One

Weekend Collections: All Collection Stations receive Planned Giving envelopes and all other offerings. We continue to offer Tap & Go PayWave machines. Just tap your debit or credit card. You can also download the Qkr! App to select directly where your donations go, incl. archdiocesan missions. Please contact the Parish Office to set up Direct Debit or monthly Credit Card deductions for both collections - or, contact us with any questions. Thanks for your generous support it is greatly appreciated, especially in this time!

St Peter Chanel's Garden - Please don't forget our exciting new community project! The church grounds look neglected. We welcome your COMPANY and support. You can donate or sponsor a crepe myrtle tree, or simply come along when work begins to enjoy the company. Covid distancing and protocols will be required. More information to follow soon! Contact: Katherine & Mick Roche (0400 066 408); Barbara Belcher (0418 495 464); Susan & Rod Page (0401 731 918).

New ways of Giving

- Direct Debit
- Qkr app
- Tap & Go
- Collection Point

More information:
www.cg.org.au/cathedral or contact Parish office 6239 9846.

2020 CATHEDRAL PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION PROGRAM

Confirmation (yr 5 & 6 children): classes start Mon, 12 Oct 2020, 6pm-7.30pm at St Peter Chanel's Parish Room, Yarralumla. Confirmation Mass will occur on Wed, 18 Nov 2020 at 6pm.

This program is for children who live in Barton, Causeway, Deakin, Forrest, Fyshwick, Griffith, Kingston, Manuka, Parkes, Red Hill, Yarralumla or attend school in these suburbs. Children must have received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist prior to Confirmation. More info. & Enrolment form on www.cg.org.au/cathedral or contact the Parish Office on 6239 9846.

Explorers Primary Age Youth Group: Sunday's at 8.45am at St Peter Chanel's our Primary youth group **Young Adventurers**, will gather at SPC before 9:30am Mass. Next meeting: 11 Oct after school holidays.

Young adults and professionals: **Young Adults Brunch—25 Oct**, join us for 11am Mass at the Cathedral followed by brunch together! Email: chiara.catanzariti@cg.org.au

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

OTHER NEWS

Mass live streamed from the St Christopher's Cathedral. Sunday at 11:00am. The congregation will be filmed during the livestreaming. <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/>

NEW PROTOCOLS - Please familiarize yourself with current guidelines

- In accordance with government restrictions, **only 140 people** are permitted in the church at any one time. Entry to Mass will be through one door.
- ALL PARISHIONERS & VISITORS MUST sign in upon entry. Records are renewed daily & destroyed after 28 days.
- All attendees (including children) must complete the Mass Register prior to entry.
- Communion is to be received in the hand only & not under the species of the Precious Blood.
- Physical distancing rules still apply—respecting the 4sqm p/p rule.
- Please sit where there is a 'Please sit here' marker. Every 2nd pew is closed. NB: Families can sit together.
- Please use the hand sanitiser upon entry and clean your pew/space with the wipes provided at entrances.
- There will be no physical contact at the sign of peace.
- No collection plates to be passed around, but money/envelopes placed at collection points.
- Please DO NOT return your bulletin to the basket, if you are not taking it home put it in the bin.

Please maintain social distancing 1.5m, at all times, including in the single line formed to receive Holy Communion. Blue squares on the tiles mark this distance. Thank you for your assistance in keeping everyone safe.

Help for marriages under stress: *The BreakThrough Online Course* created by SmartLoving will enable you to identify your conflict triggers, learn strategies to de-escalate an argument and find constructive ways to re-establish connection. Restore hope for your relationship's future. Visit: www.smartloving.org/breakthrough

ACT Election- "The upcoming ACT Election gives us all an opportunity to reflect more deeply on how our governments can help address disadvantage in our Archdiocese...we have a shared responsibility to support those in need. In particular, it is worth considering how our aspiring leaders plan to respond to...": **increasing mental health needs; homelessness; the exacerbation of inequalities; issues concerning life from womb to natural.** Please see Archbishop Christopher's full article on the *CatholicVoice* website. <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/act-election-provides-an-opportunity-to-reflect>**Praying for Vocations:** Every Friday: Evening Prayer and Adoration, Mary Help of Christians, Pearce 5.30 p.m.-6.00 p.m. First Wednesday: Adoration St. Brigid's Dickson, Serra commitment - 12.00 noon-1.00 p.m. First Friday: Adoration at St. Christopher's Cathedral following 12.15 p.m. Mass.

Calvary Spring Plant Stall - 10-11 October, 9.00am-4.00pm, Belconnen Markets. A wide variety of plants available for sale including indoor, outdoor, succulents, herbs and lots more. All funds raised will be used to purchase equipment for the care and comfort of Calvary Public Hospital patients. Ph: 0437790980.

Marymead Government House Spring Morning Tea - Tues 13 Oct 10am to 12pm in the Gardens of Government House, Yarralumla. To raise funds for Marymead, cost is \$30, tickets can be purchased at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/marymead-auxiliary-government-house-springmorning-tea-tickets-122167082031>. Only 80 tickets available so get in quick.

World Mission Sunday—18 Oct. This year's Mission Sunday Appeal is for the Arrupe Centre in Cambodia, which supports through education, vocational training and health support, children & youth with disabilities. More information to follow.

Aid to the Church Prayer Campaign—18 Oct. Prayer campaign One Million Children Praying the Rosary. We know how powerful the prayers of children are, they fly like an arrow into the heart of God. Info www.aidtochurch.org/one-million-children.

Multicultural Mass—25 Oct, 11am. Join us for the Multicultural Online Marian Procession and Mass. Led by our ethnic communities, the event is an opportunity for all to pray the Rosary online and to celebrate together our annual multicultural Mass (live-streamed). Find out more at the Catholic Voice www.catholicvoice.org.au



Engaged Encounter Retreat—7-8 Nov. How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. Info: www.engagedencounter.org.au. Choose any of the weekends: November 7-8 or February 20-21.

Aid to the Church in Need (ACN), arranges Mass stipends to be sent to poor priest overseas. In many regions, the Christian faithful are so poor they cannot support their priests and so Mass stipends are often a priest's only means of material support. Have a Mass offered for your family today and the money from your offering will be sent to a poor priest overseas who will offer up the Mass for your intentions. To arrange Mass offerings please visit www.aidtochurch.org/mass-offerings-for-poor-priests or call 1800 101 201 during business hours: 8am-5pm, AEST.

Vinnies Election Statement—In the lead up to the ACT Election, the St Vincent de Paul Society Canberra/Goulburn has released their '2020 Vinnies Election Statement' outlining their priorities for the next ACT Government. With over 1500 people experiencing homelessness in the ACT, and community housing at breaking point, Vinnies is committed to advocating for systemic change to combat poverty and homelessness. The full statement may be accessed on <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/>

Online Catholic Prayer/Sharing Groups—Are you after a deeper walk with God? Does sharing the faith journey sound uplifting? Call to Connect (CTC) online prayer/sharing groups facilitate this. A free user friendly starter kit on email with 30 minute sessions ready to go and a Leader's guide & Notes included. Enquiries and/or kit to Bronnie (calltoconnect.ministry@gmail.com)

We pray for...

Those to be married: Tim Carton and Louise Straughair.

Those to be baptised: Arlia French; Mia Smith; Olivia Cerina-Paton

Those who are ill: Arianna Vignale, Lucy Duncan, Stella Lazar, Rod Duncan, Anthony, David Kibbey, Frank Boyle, Paul Mychailuk

Anniversaries of death: Victor Res, William Patrick Boyle, Dorothy Whitfield, William Stanislaws James Duffy, Millie & Dick Millwood, Alice Campbell, Phyllis Regazzi, Baby Lillianna Fulop, Kathleen Scott, Annie Kelly, Mick Enderby, Kath McIntosh, Guerino Belmonte, Jack Kenny

Recently Deceased: Muriel Morgan, Dominic McKeown, Leena Lemley, Lou Westende, Shirley Cummings (nee Deane), Brian F Savage, Joan Ophel, John Kovacic, Geraldine Lawler, Barbara Develin, Beirut explosion victims, Tom Hallahan, Effie McKeogh, Carmel MacDonagh, Michael Somes, David Clark,

Readings of the Day – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time —Year A

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: *I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!*

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

First Reading

Is 25:6-10

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all people a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

Second Reading

Phil 4:12-14. 19-20

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Reading

Mt 22:1-14

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He dispatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out onto the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER				
Lectors			Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist	
Mass	10/11 Oct	17/18 Oct	10/11 Oct	17/18 Oct
5.00pm (SCC)	Louise Zavone Joe Zavone	Mark Hyman Edwina Hyman	n/a	n/a
6.00pm (SPC)	Mike Nash Frances Bulbrook	Fiona Wheeler Wanda Kaucz	n/a	n/a
8.00am (SCC)	Assigned Liza Quinn	Marcus Smith Philip Pocock	n/a	n/a
9.30am (SPC)	Liz Porra Lynn Chan	Scott Pobihun Clarice Poh	n/a	n/a
11.00am (SCC)	Bronwen Grey Ranee George	Cecilia Flores Lynn Chan	n/a	n/a
5.30pm (SCC)	Scott Pobihun Rebekah O'Meagher	Peter Carrigy-Ryan Gabrielle Wright	n/a	n/a

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