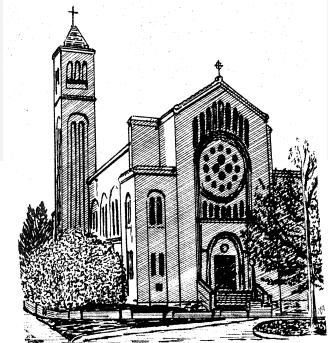


St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)



28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year B -
17 Oct 2021

St Christopher's &
St Peter Chanel's
are currently open to
limited numbers and
restrictions.

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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),
5.00pm *Note new time

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

Rosary at the Cathedral

Mon–Fri 8am, Sat 11:40am, Sun
4:45pm

Baptisms

Sundays: 12.30pm

Weddings

St Christopher's: Saturday
1.30pm & 3.00pm

St Peter Chanel's: By arrangement

Dearest Friends,

This weekend we begin to emerge from lockdown, but it will necessarily be slow. I eagerly await the day we come back together, without having to monitor numbers and pews – yet in the coming weeks we must do just this. Details on how to book a spot at Mass, as well as other sacraments and 'opening-up' details can be found on our website.

Please note, Confessions and Holy Hours will recommence in coming weeks, with Covid safe requirements in place. I want to thank you all for your patience and faithful witness during these days.

Well, last week we concluded the first assembly (of 2), of the 5th Plenary Council of Australia, and now coincidentally (and providentially!), the universal Church begins a similar process. This weekend, dioceses around the world mark the opening of the two-year process called "a synod on synodality," officially known as "Synod 2021-2023: For a Synodal Church."

A synod is a gathering that helps the Church to walk forward together. The word synod itself comes from the Greek and images a walking together on the same path. Synods were common in the early centuries of Christianity. In 1965, Paul VI instituted the Synod of Bishops, wanting to continue the collegial exchange present at Vatican II (1962-65). Since then, synods have occurred every two or three years focussing on topics from the Eucharist, to the new evangelization, to the family, and youth.

Unlike past synods however, this one won't address a particular issue but will focus on *who God is calling us to be as a Church*, together, here and now, and into the future. Suffice to say, the whole Church now asks the question we've been asking in Australia during our own plenary journey.

This Synod is also unprecedented, in that it aims at giving the entire Church a lived experience of *synodality*. It isn't about filling in a questionnaire, nor just to talk *about* synodality, but putting it into practice in every parish, diocese, and the world – hence beginning the unique listening process spanning 2 years. *Synodality* is no passing phase! Rather, as Archbishop Christopher reminds us, *synodality* is about "walking together" and is at the heart of who the Church is, it is the "language of our Church" as the pilgrim people of God. Saint John Chrysostom once said that "Church" and "synod" were synonyms, since the Church is all about walking together.

Let us pray for this gift to the universal Church, for *synodality* is a way of renewing the Church from her deepest roots, in order to be more united with one another and better carry out Her mission. For as Pope Francis writes, in a "mutual listening...everyone has something to learn. The lay faithful, the bishops, the pope: *all listening to each other, and all listening to the Holy Spirit*, the "Spirit of truth" (Jn 14:17), *in order to know what He is saying to the Church*"

Father Trenton van Reesch
Administrator, St Christopher's Cathedral Parish

OPENING UP PLAN – ST CHRISTOPHER'S, FROM FRIDAY OCTOBER 15TH :)

From **Friday October 15** it is possible to attend Mass again, respecting the Territory restrictions in place. All Mass times will recommence, at both SCC & SPC, noting that 5.30pm Sunday has moved to 5:00pm at SCC. An additional Mass will be offered at 3pm on Sunday at SCC. Confessions will be heard at SPC, 1-2pm Sun, returning to normal scheduling in the following weeks, dependent upon our Covid situation. Please note:

- Strictly 25 people Maximum for each Mass.
- Masks **MUST** be worn at all times.
- All must use the Check-in CBR App.
- You must pre-book thorough TRYBOOKING (see www.cg.org.au/cathedral for booking codes.)

PARISH NEWS

PARISH MINISTRIES

Director of Music

Ms Jaki Kane

RCIA

Please contact parish office to express your interest.

School of Religion

Miss Chiara Catanzariti

Youth Minister

Miss Anh Tran

Email: anh.tran@cg.org.au

Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon 18 Oct St Luke, evangelist

Tue 19 Oct Weekday, Ordinary Time

Wed 20 Oct Weekday, Ordinary Time

Thu 21 Oct Weekday, Ordinary Time

Fri 22 Oct Weekday, Ordinary Time

Sat 23 Oct Weekday, Ordinary Time

Sun 24 Oct 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

TRYBOOKING for all Masses —Please consider fellow parishioners when booking for Masses, and do not book more than one spot initially. If you have any flu like symptoms, do not visit the Cathedral. Priests, deacons and parishioners are able to make visitations. Do not hesitate to call. We would be overjoyed to pay you a visit!

NEW CHECK IN CBR CARD NOW AVAILABLE—Designed for people who don't own a smartphone to use the /check In CBR app. This new card can be scanned at most venues. Apply online at covid19.act.gov.au/check-in-CBR-card or call 5124 5000.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS – On Sunday, October 17, dioceses around the world will launch local preparations for the Synod of Bishops, under the theme: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The Catholic Church in Australia will invite the People of God to make submissions via an online portal that will open on October 17. Those submissions will help the Bishops, to develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. Find out more at: <http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

NOVEMBER TWILIGHT MASS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE LOST CHILDREN— Tues 2 Nov, 6.30pm, in the Cathedral. Those who have lost children of any age, are invited to contact the Parish Office with heir child's name, so that a special card can be made up for the and placed upon the alter during the Mass on the 2nd of November.

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S BOOK OF LIFE INSCRIPTIONS — Parishioners seeking to have names of deceased loved ones inscribed in the *Cathedral's perpetual Book of Life*, located in the Cathedral *All Souls Chapel*, are asked to make an offering of \$30 per name to the Parish Office by Oct.. 22. Each name is beautifully inscribed in calligraphy. The *Chapel* is ordinarily open daily, for quiet prayer (subject to current lockdowns).

MEMORIAL HYMN SERVICE — The Cathedral will hold a Hymn Memorial, at 6.30pm. On November 10, 2021. This will be a time of prayer and hymns 'in memoriam', requested by parishioners in memory of their deceased loved ones. To request hymn in memory of a loved one and for enquires, please contact the Cathedral Music Director, Jaki Kane: jakikane@hotmail.com

ALL PARISH GROUPS ARE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

Legion of Mary

Monday at 5.30pm

Haydon Hall—(Has resumed on Zoom)

St Vincent de Paul

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.

-The Prayer of the Synod- *Adsumus Sancte Spiritus*

This prayer will be used throughout the Synodal Process. Attributed to St. Isidore of Seville (560-636), it has been used at Councils and Synods for hundreds of years. This version was specifically designed for the Church's Synodal journey from 2021 to 2023.

*We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may
journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is
right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the com-
munion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.*



THE ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you
sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already
there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.*

2021 CATHEDRAL PARISH—SCHOOL OF RELIGION PROGRAM

First Eucharist classes continues via zoom on 19 Oct for 31 Oct Mass. Information and Enrolment forms can be found on www.cg.org.au/cathedral or contact the Parish Office on 6239 9846.

OTHER NEWS

Mass will be live streamed from the St Christopher's Cathedral. Mon-Sat at 12.15pm & Sunday at 11:00am. <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/>

Giving and Receiving— safer ways to your offering, during this pandemic and into the future. **Direct debit** and **QKR** options are available, as well as **TapnGo** machines (when we return to Masses 'in person'). **Thank you sincerely for your generosity.** Please continue to make your offering during this time, if you are able, and perhaps consider donating to 1st and 2nd collection via direct debit.

The First collection: contributes to clergy of the Archdiocese. If you make an offer to this first collection 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 mission and maintenance of the parish. 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 Number and Surname (only for current Planned Givers); or Donation (by parishioner's not registered Planned Givers).

Or... Download the QKR! App. "QKR at Saint Christopher's Cathedral Parish"—A New, Easier way to donate!

You can now use our purpose-built secure parish app to contribute to the 1st & 2nd Collection. Please include your Planned Giving number for 2nd Collection contributions. Contact the Office if you have forgotten your Planned Giving number.

For more information or to set up monthly payments via direct debit, please contact the Parish Office . For step by step Qkr! instructions, visit <https://cgcatholic.org.au/2016/10/something-beautiful-god/>

CATHOLIC BOOKSHOP — Despite lockdown we are taking orders. We can take payments over the phone and customers can collect curb-side. Please email us at: catholic.bookshop@cg.org.au or go online www.catholicbookshop.org.au

THE MARRIGE COURSE – Whether married 4 months or 40 years, in a good place or struggling, *The Marriage Course* offers practical support and ideas to strengthen your marriage. In the comfort of home (via ZOOM). For those at any stage of marriage. Begins Tuesday 19th October. Cost is \$70. Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qba2wYpXqUs> Register at: www.cgcatholic.org.au/marriagefamily/the-marriage-course/ or contact Steph Ransom steph.ransom@cg.org.au

OCTOBER IS WORLD MISSION MONTH – when we turn our hearts to the missionary work that the Catholic Church does with, and for, children around the world including Thailand. More Info: www.catholicmission.org.au or contact our Diocesan Director in Canberra & Goulburn, Karen McKerrow on 0411 924 288 or kmckerrow@catholicmission.org.au

EVENINGS FOR THE ENGAGED—6 Nov.- consists of 6 sessions held over two consecutive Saturdays. Topics include communication skills, how to build a stronger marriage, and the Sacrament of Marriage. The course also includes lots of private time for you to discuss issues raised with your fiancé. Catholics with fiancés of different faiths are very welcome. Contact: prugor-don@gmail.com

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER RETREAT—13-14 Nov 2021 of Feb 19-20 2022— How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. For further information visit: www.engagedencounter.org.au.

SUPPORT— Isolation and lockdown has only exacerbated the already huge issue of mental health. Among other issues, loneliness is a paralysing experience for so many. There is help. If you or someone you know needs extra support. Lifeline: 13 11 14, Kids' Helpline: 1800 551 80, Confidential Helpline: 1800 737 732, **CatholicCare: 6162 6100**. Never hesitate to contact us at the Parish Office.

Aid to the Church in Need Australia: As we approach the month of Holy Souls, consider arranging Masses for your deceased loved ones and for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. For over fifty years, ACN has passed on the Mass offerings of the Catholic people, to poor priests, who have no other means of material support. In return, these priests offer Masses for the intentions of the donor. Each year, over 400,000 priests, ten per cent of the world's priests, are supported by 1.5 million Mass offerings. One hundred percent of every Mass offering is sent directly to the priest in need. To arrange your Masses visit: www.aidtochurch.org/Masses

We pray for...

Those to be baptised: Maggie Butt, Hermione, Matilda, Jemimah & Frederick Carson

Those who are ill: Beryl Johnson, Baby Antoni Feliks, Fr Laurie Blake, Teddy Kartadinata, Florencio Fariña, Alejandra Martinez, Colliss Parrett, Arianna Vignale, Stella Lazar, Rod Duncan, Anthony, David Kibbey, Paul Mychailuk, Kalum, Ira Tirtobudi, Nicholas Dyne, Hubo Ballivian, Fr Peter Gannon.

Anniversaries of death: Victor Res, William Patrick Boyle, Dorothy Whitfield, William Slanislaws James Duffy, Millie & Dick Millwood, Alice Campbell, Phyllis Regazzi, Baby Lillianna Fulop, Kathleen Scott, Annie Kelly, Mick Enderby, Kath McIntosh, Guerino Belmonte, Raymond Fry, Stanley Marris, Fr Lloyd Reynolds & Fr Joseph Staunton

Recently Deceased: Fay Murray, Carter & Andre Harrison-Saunders, Neville Dodds, Agostino Luongo, Joy Sweeny, Wilfredo Riosa (Fr. Anthony Riosa's father) Michael Williams, Christopher Richards, Pamela Manning, Richard Brophy, Ulderico Barzi, Sr. Maria Roberts

Readings of the Day – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time —Year B



Entrance Antiphon: To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

First Reading

Is 53:10-11

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering. If he offers his life in atonement, he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done. His soul's anguish over he shall see the light and be content. By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

Second Reading

Heb 4:14-16

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

Gospel Reading

Mk 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus. 'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so Jesus called them to him and said to them: 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

Lectors		
Mass	16/17 Oct	23/24 Oct
5.00pm (SCC)	Louise Zavone Becky Langworthy	Mark Hyman Edwina Hyman
6.00pm (SPC)	Felicity de Fombelle Fiona Wheeler	Ruth Meadows Felicity de Fombelle
8.00am (SCC)	Phil Pocock Marcus Smith	Marcus Smith Phil Pocock
9.30am (SPC)	Gloria Osborne Liz Porra	Damien Balachandran Marcelle Disanayake
11.00am (SCC)	Jacqueline Hipwell Ceciley Matthews	Leszek Buszynski Bronwen Grey
5.30pm (SCC)	Denis Fisher Denise Fisher	Liz Porra Hall O'Meagher

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