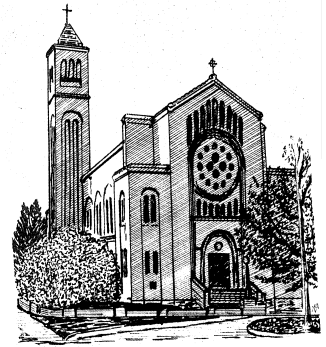


St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)



2nd Sunday of
Lent Year C -
13 March 2022

Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn
Archbishop: Most Rev Christopher Prowse DD STD
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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
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

CHRIST'S TRANSFIGURATION

This second Sunday of Lent we experience Christ's Transfiguration, a moment rich in mystery, now penetrating the material realm. The moment comes at a crucial time in the journey of the disciples, as Jesus' death approaches. It is, believe it or not, a 'Lenten moment', of preparation and strengthening. Yet it is also a crucial time for us, in our own journey, and especially of late in our broken, dishevelled world.

Jesus takes his disciple up the mountain to unveil his divinity, but momentarily. Here He reminds and encourages them of how close the Divine really is; especially when it seems he seems most distant. He also reveals to their minds and hearts, that it is in *this* relationship, that they will endure and indeed flourish, amid all that awaits them.

Jesus reveals a depth dimension to His existence, not visible to the naked eye, yet always entirely present. Divinity now dwelling perfectly in humanity. In this moment, Jesus heartens the disciples 'take courage!', as if to comfortingly remind them: *I am (and will always be) with you!*

This reminder on the mount is needed more than ever. In a world torn by war and pride, by sin and indifferentism, things are not what they seem – when all appears to be lost – when the "chips are down", when God seems more wishful thinking and more distant than ever... Christ whispers a warning... "do not be fooled. I am closer and more aware of all that is going on than you might first think".

It is significant that the Transfiguration occurs at a critical moment in the life of the disciples – right before Jesus' passion. His closest friends are about the encounter great suffering and a demoralizing disorder. Indeed, some might even question if God was with them, or worse, if Jesus was in fact God at all!

Yet the Lord knows this and so seeks to strengthen the apostles' *faith* in anticipation of all that lay ahead. While there is suffering, pain, and doubt, *I am here*, He says. The ascent onto the 'high mountain' so prepares us, for the ascent to Calvary.

At every Mass the Transfiguration takes place and God reveals His presence in the world. At the elevation of the Host we glance upon the Divinity dwelling in what to many, merely appears human and material. When we realise this, we see that the Mass is everything. How could we possibly keep away? For a brief moment we glimpse and make sense again of the mire of woundedness we find ourselves in; just like the disciples in the wake of the Passion.

Jesus is Life in the midst of darkness, and He is Hope and Joy in the midst of all which attempts rob us of both.

"Recognise in this Bread, what hung on the Cross, and in this Chalice, what flowed
from His Side"

– Saint Augustine of Hippo

Fr Trenton

PARISH NEWS

PARISH MINISTRIES

Director of Music

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Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon.	Mar 14	2nd Week of Lent
Tues.	Mar 15.	2nd Week of Lent
Wed.	Mar 16	2nd Week of Lent
Thu.	Mar 17	2nd Week of Lent Saint Patrick
Fri.	Mar 18.	2nd Week of Lent
Sat.	Mar 19	2nd Week of Lent Saint Joseph

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 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 **begins Feb.**

Filipino Community

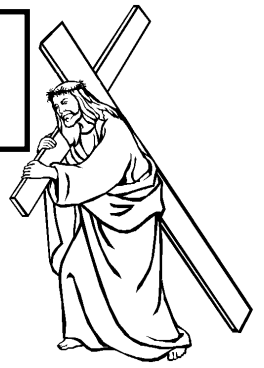
First Sunday bi-monthly at
5.00pm SPC

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

LENT — STATIONS OF THE CROSS

5:00pm, EACH FRIDAY OF LENT.

Saint Christopher's Cathedral



- ◆ **Good Friday** is a day of fasting & abstinence (*no meat*).
- ◆ Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.
- ◆ The law of fasting binds those who have completed their eighteenth year, until the beginning of their sixtieth year; the law of abstinence binds those who have completed their fourteenth year.

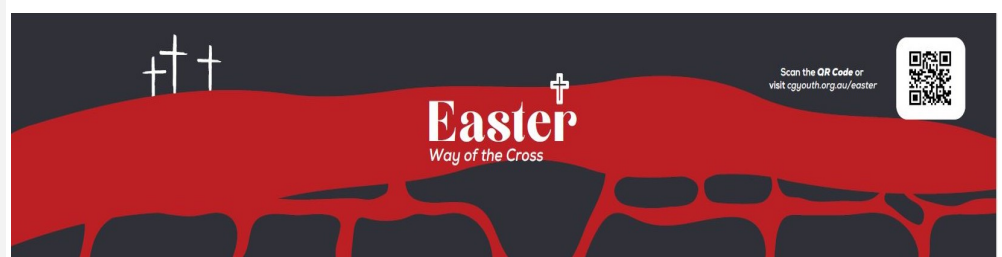
CHRISM MASS— Join the Archbishop and the Clergy of the Archdiocese on **Monday 11 April at 5:00pm** in St Christopher's Cathedral, Forrest for this most important Holy Week ceremony. It is this Mass that the **Holy Oils** used in the various Sacramental Rite of the Church are blessed and consecrated. Everyone is most welcome.

CATHOLIC BOOKSHOP— Books to develop your faith and a wide range of gift ideas. Open Monday to Friday 9:30am-5pm and Saturday 9am-1pm. Located in Manuka behind the Cathedral on the ground floor of the Archdiocese Office building.

2022 SCHOOL OF RELIGION - Confirmation classes start **Tues, 3 May, 6pm-7.30pm** in St Peter Chanel's Parish Room, Yarralumla. For Year 5 & 6 students or older. Children must have received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist prior to Confirmation. Enroll: cg.org.au/cathedral or contact the Parish Office. Confirmation will take place in St Christopher's, Wed, 8 June 2022 at 6pm. First Reconciliation classes start 26 July for 24 Aug. First Eucharist classes start 18 Oct for 13 November.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS – EXTENSION: local consultation period for the international *Synod on Synodality* has been extended. Submissions can now be received through the online portal till Sunday, March 13. Don't miss out on this chance to take part in a global conversation. *How are we called to walk together as Christians? How can we listen to one another in making important decisions about our mission?* Find out more and share your contribution at: <https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

THE ARCHDIOCESAN FINANCE COUNCIL (AFC) – assists the Archbishop in his role as a steward and administrator of the temporal goods of the Archdiocese. The AFC ensures that the stewardship of the temporal goods of the Archdiocese is in keeping with the spirit of the Gospel, our Church's teaching and the provisions of the Code of Canon Law. The Archbishop invites those of good standing in the community with requisite qualifications and experience to nominate for membership of the AFC. For further information and lodgement of expressions of interest, contact Ms Helen Delahunty helen.delahunty@cg.org.au **by 23 March 2022.**



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 Number and Surname (only for current Planned Givers);
or Donation (by 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



PROJECT COMPASSION 2022 — Will take place throughout the Lenten season and end on 17 April. **Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes** and support **Caritas Australia** this Lenten season. Contact 1800 024 413 to donate with credit card/direct deposit or visit lent.caritas.org.au/
- The Lenten call to almsgiving means **making the needs of other people our own.**

REMEMBER, A LENTEN PROGRAM for 2022 – perfect for individual devotional reading in addition to the longer-form Sunday Scripture readings and reflections, prayers and questions that traditionally form part of Lenten group gatherings. \$10.00 each, a look at the Catholic Bookshop.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA: is committed to strengthening and supporting the Catholic Church in Ukraine, as we have done for the past 70 years. The immediate emergency help will support the work of the Church in Ukraine by assisting priests, brothers, and religious sisters to continue their pastoral and outreach programs as they undergo trying times and seek to bring peace to a country that is surrounded by turmoil and unrest. Visit www.aidtochurch.org/ukraine

WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND – Cursillo is Spanish for a " little course" and provides an experience of Christian living over 3 days. A Cursillo weekend provides a new direction for being a Christian in today's world. 12th to 15th May, St Clements Retreat Centre, Galong. For more information contact Dianne Franks dmfranks@bigpond.com, 0418619740

CARETAXI: SAFE CHURCH TRANSPORT— Mass, Medical/GP appointments, shopping trips, recreational trips, sight-seeing, school trip and more; qualified and caring drivers. Visit caretaxi.com.au, or +61 451 734 334

FIFTH PLENARY COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA— The fruits of the first general assembly have been gathered together in a new report with dozens of proposals to shape the ongoing Plenary Council journey. Access this at: bit.ly/FirstAssembly

We pray for...

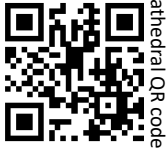
Those to be baptised: Paolo Gallucci, Saverio Laria, Koa O'Connor & Maya Tonkivic

Those to be married: Joseph Brucic & Merkayla Lazaro, Grace Issa & Luke Vozella

Those who are ill: Leung Man Kon, Matthew Hurley, Beryl Johnson, Baby Antoni Feliks, Teddy Kartadinata, Florencio Fariña, Alejandra Martinez, Colliss Parrett, Arianna Vignale, Stella Lazar, Rod Duncan, Anthony, Paul Mychailuk, Kalum, Nicholas Dyne, Hubo Ballivian, Fr Peter Gannon, Geraldine Conlan.

Anniversaries of death: Anthony Tuskens, Joan Burton, Amparo C de Baez, Patrick Charles & Kerry Agnes Purcell, Annie Duffy, Edrie Mary Duffy, Ralph Martin, Muriel Robbie, Raffaele Franze, Austin Burns, May Ledger, William Lloyd Alick Roberts, Jean Elizabeth Lennon, Catherine Semecky, Kevin Cranwell, Michael Conroy, John Hipwell, Jose Gonzales, Constance Jones, Keith McLaughlin, Shirley Evans, Anthony Donohoe, Nuala Kelly, Maura Kelly

Recently Deceased: Adrian Sirotic, Salvatore Giorgi, Fr Henry Byrne, Fr Laurie Blake, John Verrell (Father of Fr Luke Verrell), Marvel Nobleza, Charlise Mutten, Matthew Casey, John De Freitas, Juana de Coll, Victor Salazar, Carlos Coll, Olga Gerathy, Kelsie Small, David Kibbey, Malachi Hurley, Giuseppina Morosin, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Denis Gilmour, Fr. Brendan Shannon, Francisca Setiowati Silasudjana, Fr. Stan Barry CM, Sr M Andre Guthrie, Kerry Allan, Rodrigo De Guzman, William Wright, Cristina M M Santos, Yolly Lucas Reyes, Fay Murray, Carter & Andre Harrison-Saunders, Neville Dodds.



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Entrance Antiphon: Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my light and my salvation

Gospel Acclamation: From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.

Communion Antiphon: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

First Reading

Gen 15:5-12. 17-18

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified. 'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord' Abram replied, 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off. Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with in Abraham in these terms: 'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

Second Reading

Phil 3:20-4:1 (Longer version Phil 3:17-4:1)

For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe. So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

Gospel

Lk 9:28-36

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' – He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

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Lectors			
Mass	12/13 Mar	19/20 Mar	26/27 Mar
5.00pm (SCC)	Ruth Meadows Stewart Unwin	Crystal Lavien Jacob Madden	Leszek Buszynski Stewart Unwin
6.00pm (SPC)	Fiona Wheeler Mike Nash	Felicity de Fombelle Melissa Dixon	Mike Nash Wanda Kaucz
8.00am (SCC)	Joe Zavone Louise Zavone	Beck Langworthy Phil Pocock	Marcus Smith Dione Smith
9.30am (SPC)	Marcelle Disanayake Damien Balandran	Lynn Chan Clarice Poh	Children's Liturgy
11.00am (SCC)	Cecilia Flores Jacqueline Hipwell	Ceciley Matthews Jacqui Ramesh	Leeann Galloway Liz Porra
5.00pm (SCC)	Beck Langworthy Leszek Buszynski	Rebekah O'Meagher Jacob Madden	Sarah Miron Francilia Gomes

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