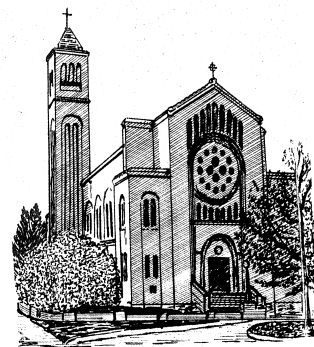


St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)



4th Sunday of Easter
Year B
21 April 2024

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YEAR OF THE
HOLY SPIRIT
August 2023– 2024

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

Monday 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

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY & ANZAC DAY

This week, in close succession, we celebrate both Good Shepherd Sunday and ANZAC Day.

At first these two can seem to be at polar opposites, but I think in fact they actually reveal themselves a profoundly striking combination.

For at the heart of both is a call to live not for oneself, but the other. Both an imitation of the one Good Shepherd, who lays down his life for his sheep (Jn 10:11).

On ANZAC Day, we remember that war is something we desire to cast from our minds. Yet may we never cast from our minds, those who paid the ultimate sacrifice in the theatres of war, that we might enjoy the freedoms we do today. ANZAC Day is not about war, but rather, it is about the price that was paid. It is about those who selflessly gave, that we might have. The greatest act of love. May we never forget that!

We will pause to remember all men and women who paid the ultimate price and indeed all those who still serve in defence of all that is true, good and beautiful. On this day, in gratitude, we thank them for their sacrifice, which has brought forth life.

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, the theme of sacrifice echoes all the more deeply. Jesus, the Good Shepherd reminds us: "no one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" (Jn 15:12-13).

The Church today invites us to pray that the Lord of the Harvest call young men and women to lay down their lives as heralds of the Gospel. We pray to the Good Shepherd for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

In a particular way, we pray for an increase in young men who hear and courageously respond to the call of Jesus, to serve as his priests. And it does take courage, and a deep, abiding maturity in the winds and waves of today's culture! We pray for humble, generous, and faithful young men, to boldly "Come and See", just as those first disciples (John 1:39).

Perhaps you, or someone you know, feels such a call to serve Jesus' Body as his priest. Have courage to answer the call. Encourage your sons, nephews, students and friends to do the same. Many young men are seriously thinking about such a call, and what a graced one it is. Have courage and be not afraid!

Friends, the Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal (for the Formation of our Seminarians) is a great way to show our support. It is an opportunity to spiritually and financial support the training and formation of those preparing for priesthood in our Archdiocese. I myself have been a beneficiary of your generosity and prayers, and I thank you for your support in this appeal.

We have three seminarians studying for the priesthood in our Archdiocese, and more discerning the call. You can make a gift today:

By envelopes,
By completing the slips, available in church foyers
By giving at: www.cgatholic.org.au/goodshep
Or by calling: (02) 6239 9801

Your gift ensures our seminarians continue to receive the best possible formation and education. Thank you.

Father Trenton



NOTICES

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Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon April 22 Mon of the 4th week of Easter
Tues April 23 Tues of the 4th week of Easter
Wed April 24 Wed of the 4th week Easter
Thu. April 25 Thu of the 4th week of Easter
ANZAC DAY
Fri. April 26 Fri of the 4th week of Easter
St Mark
Sat. April 20 Sat of the 4th week of Easter
Sun April 21 FIFTH SUNDAY OF
EASTER, 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.

NATIONAL ANZAC DAY MASS— you are invited to the National ANZAC Day Mass at St Christopher's Cathedral ACT at 8:00am on Thursday 25 April 2024. Guests are asked to be seated by 7:45am. The Ensign Party will enter the Cathedral before 8:00am.

LEST WE
FORGET
— ANZAC DAY —



PLEASE NOTE John James Hospital Mass will be cancelled on ANZAC DAY.

CATECHESIS with Fr Alex—For the next few weeks we will cover the history of the Church from its very beginning through to today and even guess at what the future of Church might look like. This Monday we will look at Church during the dark ages 500 – 1000 AD. Come and join, dinner and drinks provided. **Monday 22nd April**, Haydon Hall at **6:30pm**. All welcome!

Marriage Preparation Courses— Upcoming Marriage Preparation courses for engaged couples: *Engaged Encounter*- Sydney, Sat 18 & Sun 19 May. *FOCCUS* - Tues 11th June 5-9pm plus a private follow up session at CatholicCare. *Evenings for the Engaged*- Sat 13 & 20 July. *SmartLoving* – online, 9 lessons, learn at your own pace when suits you. For more information or to register go to www.marriagefamily.org.au Enquiries: Text Helena Zobec on **0405 440 463**

SCHOOL OF RELIGION— 1st Holy Communion classes start **Thurs 9 May, 6pm-7:30pm** in St Peter Chanel's Parish Room, Yarralumla. 1st Communion will take place on Sunday **2 June 2024** at the **11am Mass**. Please contact the office to enroll or for more information. First Reconciliation starts on the **4 June** for the **3 July**.

Vocations Discernment Dinners- alternating between a presbytery and the Archbishop's House Second Thursday of the month. For men interested in discerning a call to the Priesthood. A hearty meal provided with insightful discussions & prayer. To rsvp please contact vocations director Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au.

CANBERRA'S GAZA CEASEFIRE PILGRIMAGE—This will be a prayerful show of solidarity with cities around the world on Saturday, **4 May**. Some will walk the length of the Gaza Strip (41 kms), commencing atop Mt Ainslie at 4am, with a 10am liturgy at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Blackall Street, Barton and a 1.30pm gathering at Regatta Point before the last 6kms. All welcome. Further info: 0413 840 555 / adair.obrien@outlook.com

Tim Fischer Oration on Ethics in Public and Political Life 2024 - 7 August 6pm
We are at the crossroads in Australia in particular, and in the Western World in general. Fundamental human values are under great strain, and so an overarching societal narrative is becoming opaque. The Tim Fischer Oration aims to enlighten and encourage us to seek out and promote a free and fair society. Do join us in our noble endeavour. **Speaker:** Professor Helen Alvare, Levy Endowed Chair in Law and Liberty at Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University **Q&A:** Chris Uhlmann, Political Journalist and TV Presenter **For more information & tickets visit** www.tfo.org.au

The Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal is available within the Cathedral parish's Qkr app under "SPECIAL APPEALS".



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: 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 # and Surname (only current Planned Givers);
or Donation (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

OPEN LETTER TO ACT MLAs against upcoming VAD BILL— show your support in opposing the Voluntary Assist Dying Bill 2023 by signing the petition <https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/actcampaign> The aim is to reach 10,000 signatures. To find out more <https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/about>

LIVING WORD - ARCHDIOCESAN DAILY GOSPEL REFLECTIONS – Stay connected. Sign up for FREE at cgatholic.org.au/LivingWord/

CARETAXI: SAFE CHURCH TRANSPORT— Mass, Medical/GP appointments, shopping trips, recreational trips, and more; qualified and caring drivers. Visit [caretaxi.com.au](https://www.caretaxi.com.au), or 0451 734 334.

Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal— The sudden escalation of hostilities in Israel and Gaza has seen unimaginable impacts for the people affected by this conflict. Around 1.5 million people have been displaced in Gaza with immediate food, shelter, health, and psychosocial needs. With your compassionate generosity, we can provide emergency support to people displaced and affected by the hostilities to meet basic needs and cope with trauma. **Please donate to Caritas Australia's Gaza Crisis Appeal.** Online www.caritas.org.au/gaza or phone 1800 024 413

His Word for Kids is for children aged 2 to the end of primary school. It will run on the last Sunday of every month during the 9:30 SPC mass. To assist in delivering this important ministry please contact marcelle.disanayake@gmail.com. Materials and a program will be provided.



Year of the Holy Spirit

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE

O God, who by the light
Of the Holy Spirit,
Did instruct the hearts
Of the faithful,
Grant that by the same
Holy Spirit we may be
truly wise and ever rejoice in His
consolations.
Through the same
Christ our Lord

Amen.

AUGUST 2023— AUGUST 2024

We pray for...

Those to be baptised: Daniella Moran

Those who are ill: 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, Kevin Conlan, 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: Mario Zulli, LaVonne Bobongie, Chris Nebauer, Peter Ryan, Francesco & Francesca Barbaro, Natalina Servello, Anne Lynch, Tim Ayers, Patrick Develin, Vince Gallagher, Madeline Nogrady, Fr John Butz, Brian O'Donovan, Catherine Nancarrow, Bruno Pini, Giustina Cadona, Ingrid Kemp, John Keating, Anita Asuncion Pahate, Tobias Barry

Recently Deceased: Victims of the Bondi Junction attack, Ian "Bob" McPherson, Tom Greally, Keith Drury, Ger-Jan Bruins OSA, John Morrison, Maria Gelones, Theresia Beli Naijes (mother of Fr Joseph Neonbasu), Archbishop Francis Carroll, Thomas Fernando (Father of Fr Rembert Fernando), Marie Docherty (sister of Fr Mick Burk), Anthony Kelly, Csr, Maria Crowe

4th Sunday of Easter—Year B — 20/21 April



Cathedral QR code

Entrance Antiphon: The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

Responsorial: The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the good shepherd, say the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts 34:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: ‘Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.’

Second Reading

1 John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God’s children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

Gospel

John 10:11-18

Jesus said: ‘I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hire man and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice and there will be only one flock and one shepherd. The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.’

READERS ROSTER APRIL

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Lectors			Eucharistic Ministers	
Mass	20/21 April	27/28 April	20/21 April	27/28 April
5.00pm (SCC)	Samantha Hazlett Crystal Lavien	Jacob Madden Becky Langworthy		
8.00am (SCC)	Phil Pocock Dione Smith	Zvon Seselja Marcus Smith		
9.30am (SPC)	Fiona Wheeler Marcelle Disanayake	Damien Balanchandran Raphael Molu		
11.00am (SCC)	Cecilia Flores Jacqui Ramesh	Les Buszynski Jacqueline Hipwell	Edwina Hyman Bianca Goh	Jacqui Ramesh Kathy Ruston
5.00pm (SCC)	Lynette Yap Rebekah O’Meagher	Anthony Brierley Lynette Yap		

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