

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C -6 Feb 2022

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Sunday Mass

### St Christopher's

Cnr Canberra Ave & Furneaux Street, Forrest (Manuka) ACT Sat. Vigil: 5.00pm Sunday: 8.00am, 11.00am (livestreamed), <u>5.00pm \*Note new time</u> 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

**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

### <u>Weddings</u>

St Christopher's: Saturday 1.30pm & 3.00pm St Peter Chanel's: By arrangement

# St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn Archbishop: Most Rev Christopher Prowse DD STD Administrator: Fr Trenton van Reesch Assistant Priest: Fr Norvin Dias



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Accounts Officer: Karina Widjaja—Friday, 8am-4pm

### SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

In September 2019, Pope Francis instituted **Word of God Sunday** through his apostolic letter *Aperuit Illis*, which comes from Luke's Gospel, where Jesus "opened their minds to understand the Scriptures" (Lk 24:45). The Australian Church celebrates *Sunday of the Word of God* on the first Sunday in February each year, as a moment which reminds us of the *Gift* and *Invitation* that the Word of God truly is. Scripture is a *living* word, always to be at the centre of our lives, and received "not as a human word but as what it really is, the word of God".

So often we do not devote adequate time to truly *listening* and *marinating* in God's Word. Many ask, what is God asking of me? When each day, he is speaking through the Scriptures.

Pope Francis encourages us to study and sit with the Word of God daily, to grow in our knowledge and love of Scripture and so of Jesus Himself. "A day devoted to the Bible should not be seen as a yearly event but rather a year-long event, for we *urgently need* to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the risen Lord."

Indeed, St Jerome reminds us, "Ignorance of Scripture, is ignorance of Christ". "For this reason, we need to develop a closer relationship with sacred Scripture" says Pope Francis, "otherwise, our hearts will remain cold and our eyes shut, struck as we are by so many forms of blindness."

Often as Catholics we can find ourselves distant from the Bible. Yet we must not forget that the Scriptures emerged from our own faith community, the Church. The Word of God then is not something foreign to us, but integral to who we are and indeed our very Identity.

There is no coincidence that we call it the Good News! For that's what it is. News which is Life! The Word of God was not spoken simply to be closed off in the four walls of the Church. It was proclaimed to echo to earth's ends, and given the place it deserves in our spiritual lives.

"The Church has always venerated the divine Scriptures as she has venerated the Lord's body ... offering people the bread of life from the one table of the Word of God and the body of Christ (*Dei Verbum* 21)." The proclamation of God's word in the Mass echoes the fact that Jesus is entirely present in this moment, speaking to his people in words we can received and act upon. Saint Jerome (the venerated biblical scholar on whose feast day *Aperuit Illis* was released), writes:

"For me, the Gospel is the Body of Christ; for me, the holy Scriptures are his teaching. And when he says: whoever does not eat my flesh and drink my blood (Jn 6:53), even though these words can also be understood of the [Eucharistic] Mystery, Christ's body and blood are really the word of Scripture, God's teaching. When we approach the [Eucharistic] Mystery, if a crumb falls to the ground we are troubled. Yet when we are listening to the word of God, and God's Word and Christ's flesh and blood are being poured into our ears yet we pay no heed, what great peril should we not feel?".

This deeper consideration of Scripture's sacramentality, "[leads] us to a more unified understanding of the mystery of revelation, which takes place through 'deeds and words intimately connected' (Pope Benedict XVI). Today Pope Francis invites us to a closer intimacy with God's Word - to study, learn, love and share the Good News – to be melted and moulded by God's voice in his Church, spoken to every human heart!!

So let us say always: "Speak Lord! Your servant is Listening!" - 1 Sam 3:10

# PARISH NEWS

# PARISH MINISTRIES

## Director of Music

Ms Jaki Kane

**RCIA** Miss Becky Langworthy

School of Religion Miss Chiara Catanzariti

## Youth Minister

Miss Anh Tran Email: anh.tran@cg.org.au

Weekly Liturgical Calendar
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Mon.	Feb 7.	5th Week Ord. Time
Tues.	Feb 8.	5th Week Ord. Time
Wed.	Feb 9.	5th Week Ord. Time
Thurs.	Feb 10.	5th Week Ord. Time St. Scholastica, virgin
Fri.	Feb 11.	5th week Ord. Time
Sat.	Feb 12.	5th week Ord. Time Mass of the BVM

### 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.

## Updated Archdiocesan Protocols COVID-19—13/01/2022

CAPACITY— 1 person/family group per 2sqm. Bookings are *NOT* required to attend Mass or the Sacraments. Please **Sensibly socially distance at all times** 

- <u>Facemasks MUST be worn in the Cathedral and St Peter's</u>, <u>properly</u>, and at <u>all times</u>.
- All MUST use the Check-in CBR App.
- Music permitted but no congregational singing until further notice.
- Communion in the hand only, until further notice (due to the highly contagious nature of the latest variant of COVID-19).
- If you are sick or have any symptoms, stay at home until recovered.

WORD OF GOD SUNDAY – The Australia Church celebrates Word of God Sunday. Pope Francis established the day, devoted to "the celebration, study and dissemination" of the Word of God. Visit <u>catholic.org.au/wordofgodsunday</u> for resources to help draw closer with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

**PARISH EMAIL DATABASE** – We now email the bulletin as well as parish happenings. To join our mailing list, email <u>cathedral@cg.org.au</u>



### PASTORAL & SPIRITUAL CARE TRAINING -

*Clinical Pastoral Education* (CPE) *Introductory Course*. 5 day course is a great way to get a feel for pastoral and spiritual care: From Mar 2 to 30, 9-5pm, Queanbeyan, \$400. followed by a longer CPE unit for those interested in more in-depth training in spiritual care. Enrolments close soon. Contact Susanne Schmidt, 0431 243 486 or susannecpe@gmail.com

**2022 CATHEDRAL PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION PROGRAM -** Confirmation classes starts Tues, 3 May, 6pm-7.30pm at St Peter Chanel's Parish Room, Yarralumla. For Year 5 & 6 students or older who live in Barton, Causeway, Deakin, Forrest, Fyshwick, Griffith, Kingston, Manuka, Parkes, Red Hill, Yarralumla or school in these suburbs. Children must have received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist prior to Confirmation. Enroll: <u>cq.org.au/cathedral</u> 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.

WELCOME ARCHBISHOP CHARLES BALVO! – Apostolic Nuncio to Australia. Currently the Vatican's ambassador to the Czech Republic, Archbishop Balvo was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of New York in 1976. We look forward to warmly welcoming His Excellency, and assure him of our prayers.

**Canberra Catholic Bookshop:** *Bookshop Fireside Chats* returns! Join us on the first Friday of each month, 1:30pm – 2:30pm for light refreshments, a fascinating speaker and conversation: A Psychotherapist, trained in Zurich Switzerland in Depth Psychology, Dr. Moroney is a Spiritual Director, qualified in Spirituality and Theology and has specialized in Education. March 4<sup>th</sup> join us for Part II. Rego–<u>firesidechats.org.au</u> or call 62 399 888.



# **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.

CATHEDRAL BSB: 062-786 Account Name: 000029248 FORREST & SURNAME Bank Account: Reference: 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 Planned Giving Number and Surname (only for current Planned Givers): Bank Account: 000015080 Reference: or Donation (by parishioners not registered Planned Givers).

You can also Download the QKR! App. "QKR at Saint Christopher's Cathedral Parish"—A New, Easier way to donate! A purpose-built secure parish app to contribute to the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection. Include your Planned Giving number for 2nd Collection contributions. For more information or to set up monthly payments via direct debit, please contact the Parish Office. For step by step Qkr! instructions, visit <u>cgcatholic.org.au/2016/10/something-beautiful-god/</u> Thank you for your generosity

**CATHOLIC BOOKSHOP** — ATT: Daily Mass Book 2022 - please check : If you are missing pages 64–91 please return to the Catholic Bookshop to exchange it for a new book. Shop located in St Christopher's Pastoral Centre.

**SYNOD ON SYNODALITY**— "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The Universal Church has embarked on a similar journey we've experienced in our Plenary Council. <u>Make a submission via an online portal, now open</u>. Make a 250 word submission at <u>catholic.org.au/synodalchurch</u>. The diocesan consultation phase has been extended to the 15th August 2022. Dates and resources <u>catholic.org.au/synodalchurch</u>. We will also make a submission as a parish community.

A MESSAGE FROM AID TO THE CHRUCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA — As we begin a new year we ask for your support to help the Suffering Church. Your offering allows ACN to aid our suffering brothers and sisters to keep the faith alive in countries that are becoming increasingly harder to practice the faith. Please visit <u>www.aidtochurch.org</u>

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

ARCHDIOCESE WOMEN'S TASKFORCE - Visit womenstaskforceacq.wordpress.com/

**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: <u>bit.ly/FirstAssembly</u>



### WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 22-26 JUNE 2022 - hosted by the Diocese of Rome,

with Pope Francis leading celebrations. The Holy Father has asked that *the World Meeting of Families* be celebrated concurrently in every diocese in 2022. The idea is for families to gather locally around their bishop to explore and celebrate the theme of "Family love: a vocation and a path to holiness". For more information contact lara.kirk@cg.org.au 0429 192 869. For general information see: romefamily2022.com

### We pray for ...

Those to be baptised: Stella Madarieta & Ignacio Guy Fernandez de Cordova

Those to be married: Charleen Pastoriza & Geoffrey Wood & Elizabeth Wheatley & Damien Dal Cortivo

<u>Those who are ill</u>: Leung Man Kon, Matthew Hurley, Beryl Johnson, Baby Antoni Feliks, Fr Laurie Blake, 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, Kevin & Geraldine Conlan.

<u>Anniversaries of death</u>: Saverio Calabria, Carlos & Francisca Abad, Anthony Osborne, Remigio & Maria Res, Pasquale Ciuffetelli, Noel Flanagan, Shannon Stevenson, Kenneth Mulach, Camillo Buhagiar, Helen Heffernan, Joyce Balnaves,

Baby Georgia Morrison, Helen Richardson, Elsie Corkhill, Deceased Members of the O'Hanlon, Blackall,

Gorman & Proust Families, Claire Jones, Brianna Humphreys, Leo Biggs, Norma Roach, Gail Fenton,

**Recently Deceased:** Marvel Nobleza, John Verrell (Father of Fr Luke Verrell), 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, Fransiska 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, Agostino Luongo, Joy Sweeny, Wilfredo Riosa (Fr. Anthony Riosa's father) Michael Williams, Christopher Richards, Pamela Manning.



*Entrance Antiphon:* O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

**Responsorial Psalm:** In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Come follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of my people.

**Communion Antiphon:** Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be consoled. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall have their fill

### **First Reading**

#### ls 6:1-8,

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings. And they cried out to one another in this way, 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out, and the Temple was filled with smoke. I said: 'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of hosts.' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said: 'See now, this has touched your lips, your sin is taken away, your iniquity is purged.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying: 'Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?' I answered, 'Here I am, send me.'

### Second Reading

#### 1 Cor 15:1—11

Brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, the gospel that you received and in which you are firmly established; because the gospel will save you only if you keep believing exactly what I preached to you – believing anything else will not lead to anything. Well then, in the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it. I am the least of the apostles; in fact, since I persecuted the Church of God, I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace that he gave me has not been fruitless. On the contrary, I, or rather the grace of God that is with me, have worked harder than any of the others; but what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed. **Gospel** 

Jesus was standing one day by the lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats – it was Simon's – and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point. When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left every-thing and followed him.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER					
Lectors					
Mass	5/6 Feb	12/13 Feb	19/20 Feb		
5.00pm	Mark Hyman	Ruth Meadows	Leszek Buszynski		
(SCC)	Edwina Hyman	Crystal Lavien	Stewart Unwin		
6.00pm	Mike Nash	Wanda Kaucz	Melissa Dixon		
(SPC)	Fiona Wheeler	Felicity de Fombelle	Fiona Wheeler		
8.00am	Becky Langworthy	Dione Smith	Joe Zavone		
(SCC)	Ruth Meadows	Marcus Smith	Louise Zavone		
9.30am	Damien Balachandran	Dominic Chin	Gloria Osborne		
(SPC)	Marcelle Disanayake	Clarice Poh	Jaye Corcoran		
11.00am	Cecilia Flores	Lynn Chan	Ceciley Matthews		
(SCC)	Arnel Basas	Bronwen Grey	Jacqueline Hipwell		
5.00pm	Lynette Yap	Jacob Madden	Annabelle Devitt		
(SCC)	Kevin Woods	Kristina Faigl	Rebecca O'Meagher		

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