

St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

Easter Sunday, Year B 31 March 2024



Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn
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Accounts Officer: Karina Widjaja—8am-4pm Friday

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

EASTER MESSAGE 2024 ARCHBISHOP CHRISTOPHER PROWSE VICTORY FOR HUMANITY IN THE RISEN LORD JESUS

At this Easter time, we proclaim to the ends of the earth the victory won for humanity in the Risen Lord Jesus Christ.

Recent Popes describe war as a defeat for humanity. No one wins in war. It seems to make things worse than better. We see this, at present, in the Middle East, Ukraine and parts of Africa.

The same could be said for the scourge of euthanasia, at present being legislated throughout Australia. It is so unnecessary. The best response to terminal illness and great human vulnerability is widely available palliative care. Here tenderness and closeness replace the brute and sinister lethal jab.

Into this developing culture of hopelessness comes the extraordinary hope and joy of Easter!

Easter is God's ultimate victory over threats to living out our humanity to its full. It is the victory for humanity that is permanent and universal.

It is love made flesh in the victory of the Resurrection of Jesus on the Calvary Cross. The tree of our defeat has become the tree of victory in Jesus rising from the dead.

In our YEAR OF THE HOLY SPIRIT let us, therefore, "exult ... and let the trumpet of salvation sound aloud our mighty King's triumph." Let us breathe in the joy and hope the Risen Lord's transformation of our humanity into its lost innocence.

In announcing this hope to the world, let our first efforts be directed at those who struggle in the homelessness of body and soul. May our joy be practical to those most in need. Let us be Easter peacemakers in both our families and our fragile world!

Alleluia! He is Risen! Happy Easter to all!

Archbishop Christopher Prowse
Catholic Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn

NOTICES

PARISH MINISTRIES

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Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon April 1 Monday within the Octave of Easter

Tues April 2 Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

Wed April 3 Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

Thu. April 4 Thursday within the Octave of Easter

Fri. April 5 Friday within the Octave of Easter

Sat. April 6 Saturday within the Octave of Easter

Sun April 7 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

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.

PLEASE NOTE: Easter Monday will follow the public holiday Mass times, 9am and 12:15pm



RCIA: Let us keep in our prayers our brothers and sisters Lorne Leahan, Duy Nguyen, Laura Johnson, Rebekka Carlyle, Shannon Schulzek, Susan Pelengaris, Jarod Briggs, Antony Eggler, Jacinta Egoroff, Amanda Lynch, Benjamin Padovan, Abraham Samma, Luke Worth, Julius Ferdinand & Candice Wood who will be welcomed into the Church and receive full sacrament communion at the Easter Vigil. Their faith and commitment are a source of great inspiration for our community, and it has been a joy to journey with each of them over the past six months.

A big THANK YOU to all who in any way assisted with the preparation and celebration of the Holy Week– Easter Triduum. A particular thank you to Jaki Kane and the magnificent Cathedral Choir and Becky Langworthy in her involvement in preparing our RCIA candidates! Your commitment has allowed all of us to be renewed in the central mystery of our faith.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES: Please remember to return your Project Compassion Boxes next week to the Cathedral office or the Sacristy. Thank you for your generosity!

Multicultural Mass with Archbishop Prowse—7 April, 11am. The Archdiocese's annual Multicultural Mass at St Christopher's Cathedral is full of colour, song, and dance. Join the African, Anglo-Indian, Filipino, Indonesian, Korean, Spanish, and Vietnamese Catholic communities as they come together to celebrate their multicultural heritage in the Year of the Holy Spirit. All welcome!

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY— 7 April. Chaplet and Adoration 3pm-4pm St Christopher's Cathedral

Vocations Discernment Dinner at Gungahlin Presbytery. Thursday 11 April at 6pm. 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 0414 523 036.

Roundtables – Sacramental Initiation— NEW DATE. Join others from around the Archdiocese for a time of prayerful dialogue in the spirit of synodality on the realities and process of Sacramental Initiation in the life of our Church. REGISTER at cgevangelisation.org.au/roundtables. Online (Zoom) and In-Person (Haydon Hall, St Christopher's Manuka)

Three day silent retreat—19-21 April. For young men discerning a Vocation to priest-hood. Contact Vocations Director, Fr Emil Milat at emil.milat@cg.org.au for more information

<u>SCHOOL OF RELIGION</u>— Confirmation classes start **Tues 2 April, 6pm-7:30pm** in St Peter Chanel's Parish Room, Yarralumla. Confirmation will take place on Saturday **18 May 2024** at the **5pm Vigil**. Please contact the office to enroll or for more information. First Holy Communion will start on the **9 May** for the **2 June** and First Reconciliation starts on the **4 June** for the **3 July**.

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 cgcatholic.org.au/2016/10/something-beautiful-god/

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OPEN LETTER TO ACT MILAs against upcoming VAD BILL— show your support in opposing the Voluntary Assist Dying Bill 2023 by signing the petition https://www.noeuthanasia.org.au/actcampaign The aim is to reach 10,000 signatures. To find out more https://www.noeuthanasia.org.au/about

CARETAXI: SAFE CHURCH TRANSPORT— Mass, Medical/GP appointments, shopping trips, recreational trips, and more; qualified and caring drivers. Visit 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

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION – Volunteers wanted – Calvary Haydon Aged Care, Bruce. Do you have a few hours each week or each fortnight to volunteer? Can you help aged care residents with pastoral care, take them to the chapel for mass and sit with them, or help with an activity? All volunteers require a Working with Vulnerable People's Card. Please contact 62647406/62647540 and leave your details for Edwina. Induction training will be provided on first day.

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 who are ill: 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: 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, Bri Humphreys, Alberto Alfredo Bonansea, Claudia De Salazar, Zoa Molina, Jose Rafael Naar Salazar, Javier Family, Patricia & Bernie Shepherd, Lea Connellan, Guthrie family, Margaret and Michel Quinn

Recently Deceased: Archbishop Francis Carroll, Thomas Fernando (Father of Fr Rembert Fernando), Marie Docherty (sister of Fr Mick Burk), Anthony Kelly, CssR, Maria Crowe, Anna Nguyen Thi Minh (mother of Deacon Don), Suzanne Wall, Dora Marleny Rodriguez Navarro, Kevin Allen, Mark Canning, Meg Dooley, Joan Percy (mother of Father Tony Percy)

Easter Sunday — Year B — 30/31 March



Entrance Antiphon: I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

Responsorial: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

First Reading Acts 10:34. 37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

Second Reading Col 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

Gospel John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

| READERS ROSTER MARCH | | | | |
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| Lectors | | | Eucharistic Ministers | |
| Mass | 30/31 March | 6/7 April | 30/31 March | 6/7 April |
| 5.00pm (SCC) | 7:30pm Easter Vigil | Edwina Hyman Mark Hyman | | |
| 8.00am (SCC) | Dione Smith Marcus Smith | Zvon Seselja Becky Langworthy | | |
| 9.30am (SPC) | Damien Balanchandran Jaye Longland | Marcelle Disanayake Fiona Wheeler | | |
| 11.00am (SCC) | Cecilia Flores Bronwen Grey | Multicultural Mass | Volunteer | Jacqueline Hipwell Leeann Galloway |
| 5.00pm (SCC) | Rebekah O'Meagher Kevin Woods | Liz Porra Kevin Woods | | |

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