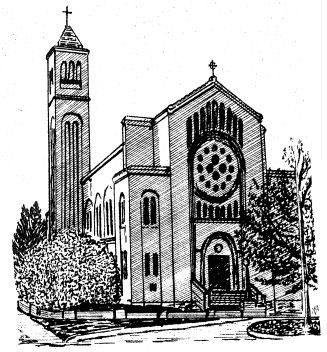


# St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)



Palm Sunday,  
Year B  
24 March 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

### HOLY WEEK

Today, Palm Sunday, begins Holy Week and marks Jesus' triumphant entry back into Jerusalem. As Jesus approaches, we hear "[Jesus] came to Bethphage [and Bethany] on the Mount of Olives" (Mtt. 21:1ff). It seems we're getting a few little geographical details. No big deal, right? But for those who know the Holy Land, you know that just east of the city of Jerusalem is the Mount of Olives and east of this are Bethphage and Bethany. Superfluous details? Not in the slightest!

All these places are directly east of Jerusalem, which is significant. The evangelist is drawing deep images from Jewish heritage. Jesus is approaching Jerusalem, from the east. The Prophet Ezekiel had centuries earlier spoken about gazing upon the temple and witnessing something most distressing: "Then I looked, and behold... the Glory of the Lord departed from the threshold of the temple... by the east gate." (Ezk 10:18-19). Jesus now, however, enters from the east - the Glory of God, is re-entering His temple once more and returning the same way he had left; from the East!

In today's readings we hear Jesus' Passion, all within the context of this Palm Sunday celebration and triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The new Temple will now be His Body, given for us, of which we have become a part through baptism.

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**Chrim Mass** – 25th March [5pm] St Christopher's – All welcome! The Chrim Mass celebrates the unity of the Archbishop to his priests and all the baptised as members of Christ's Body. At this Mass, the priests renew their priestly promises, and the Archbishop blesses the oil of Catechumens and of the Sick, as well as consecrating the oil of Chrim, which will all be used in the sacraments throughout the year.

**THE SACRED TRIDUUM** - At the heart of the Church's liturgical year lies the Paschal Mystery of Jesus' Crucifixion, Death and Resurrection: the Triduum (meaning three days). The whole history of salvation revolves around these holy days, and through his Church, God invites us to experience this Mystery of Salvation.

**The Mass of the Lord's Supper** begins the Easter Triduum, which is actually one liturgy spanning three days. At the Last Supper, Jesus washed his disciples' feet, an act of sacrificial love and service. This night, Jesus gave meaning to what He would accomplish the following day on the Cross. This night Jesus instituted the Holy Eucharist and the gift of the ministerial priesthood, teaching us in this moment the greatest commandment of all, to love and serve each-other, as he has us.

**Good Friday** – The Lord's Passion recalls the greatest act of Love, when Jesus dies for our sins that we may rise to new life with Him. We recall His Passion and venerate the Cross: the glorious instrument of our redemption. The Cross, now and always, proclaims Jesus' victory over sin and death. "We adore you O Christ and we Bless You; for by your Holy Cross, you have redeemed the world".

**The Easter Vigil** – 'the Mother of all Liturgies', in this most Holy Night we experience Jesus' Rising from the dead. We gather in darkness, but that darkness soon gives way to *The Light*, the Light of the world and with this the greatest hope! As a Church, we sing *Alleluia* for the first time in forty days. Jesus has now destroyed the greatest enemy of all, death itself.

Please see inside the Bulletin for Liturgy times. May you all know how close Christ is to you in these days, how close He is in His Church, and how much He truly loves you. He enters Jerusalem for love of you, to die for love of you and to claim you back... for Himself.

Fr Trenton

# NOTICES

## PARISH MINISTRIES

### Director of Music

*Ms Jaki Kane*

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### Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon Mar 25 Monday of Holy Week  
Chrism Mass  
Tues Mar 26 Tuesday of Holy Week  
Wed Mar 27 Wednesday of Holy Week  
Thu. Mar 28 Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Fri. Mar 29 Passion of the Lord  
Sat. Mar 30 Holy Saturday  
Sun March 31 EASTER 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.**

## LENT—STATIONS OF THE CROSS

5pm each FRIDAY during 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. In Lent, we omit the "Alleluia" at Mass.

**CHRISM MASS**— Join the Archbishop and the Clergy of the Archdiocese on Monday **25 March 5:00pm** in St Christopher's Cathedral for this most important Holy Week ceremony. It is this Mass that the **Holy Oils** used in the various Sacramental Rites of the Church are blessed and consecrated. Everyone is most welcome.

## HOLY WEEK 2024

### ST CHRISTOPHER'S CATHEDRAL

**Palm Sunday**— Sunday 24 March (regular times)

**Chrism Mass**— Monday 25 March, **5:00pm**

**Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper**— Thursday 28 March, **7:30pm**

**Good Friday, The Lord's Passion**— Friday 29 March, **3pm**

**Holy Saturday, Easter Vigil**— Saturday 30 March, **7:30pm**

**Easter Sunday Mass**— Sunday 31 March, **8am, 11am & 5pm**

### ST PETER CHANEL'S

**Good Friday, Stations of the Cross**— Friday 29 March, **10am**

**Easter Sunday Mass**— Sunday 31 March, **9:30am**

**ECUMENICAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS** - the annual ecumenical public Stations of the Cross will begin at 11am on Good Friday at the *Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture*, Barton, with local church leaders taking part. All are welcome.

**LENTEN REFLECTION SERIES:** Please join us on **22 March**, after Stations of the Cross, to continue our Lenten journey and prepare for Easter with reflections, Adoration and the opportunity for confession. **6pm in the Cathedral Crypt** - all are welcome!

**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 Egger, 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 6 months.

**CONVERSATIONS ON FAITH**— Please join us for our third Conversations on Faith session in a Holy Week special next Tuesday **26th March** from **7-9pm** in the Haydon Hall. We will continue our exploration of Faith and Conversion with a panel of St Christopher's parishioners and hear their nuanced journeys leading up to adult conversions and the ways they continue to walk with Christ. All are welcome!

**SCHOOL OF RELIGION**— 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.

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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);  
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**PROJECT COMPASSION APPEAL 2024**— Please take a *Project Compassion* box or set of donation envelopes to support *Caritas Australia* this Lent. You can donate at [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or at 1800 024 413. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today & build a better tomorrow, for All Future Generations



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**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](http://www.caritas.org.au/gaza) or phone 1800 024 413

**His Word for Kids**—We are seeking interest from other parents and carers of children aged 2 to the end of primary school to facilitate faith formation for some of our youngest parishioners during the 9:30am mass at SPC (similar to children's liturgy). Materials will be supplied. The first two sessions will run on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday and will require children to be accompanied by a parent or carer if they are not yet in primary school. To find out more please contact [marcelle.disanayake@gmail.com](mailto:marcelle.disanayake@gmail.com)

**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.



## 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:** Louis Hill, Logan & Willow D'Arro, Walter Collett

**Those to be married:** James Beni & Alexa Gioffre

**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)

# Palm Sunday —Year B — 23/24 March



Cathedral QR code

**Responsorial:** My God, my God, why have you abandoned me

**Gospel Acclamation:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**Communion Antiphon:** Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done

## First Reading

**Isaiah 50:4-7**

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

## Second Reading

**Philippians 2:6-11**

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## Gospel

**Mark 14:1-15:47**

Please refer to sheets



### READERS ROSTER MARCH

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Lectors			Eucharistic Ministers	
Mass	23/24 March	30/31 March	23/24 March	30/31 March
5.00pm (SCC)	Jacob Madden Becky Langworthy	7:30pm Easter Vigil		
8.00am (SCC)	Dione Smith Marcus Smith	Dione Smith Marcus Smith		
9.30am (SPC)	Damien Balachandran Jaye Longland	Damien Balanchandran Jaye Longland		
11.00am (SCC)	Cecilia Flores Bronwen Grey	Cecilia Flores Bronwen Grey	Jacqui Ramesh Kathy Ruston	Barbara Harrison Volunteer
5.00pm (SCC)	Rebekah O'Meagher Kevin Woods	Rebekah O'Meagher Kevin Woods		

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