

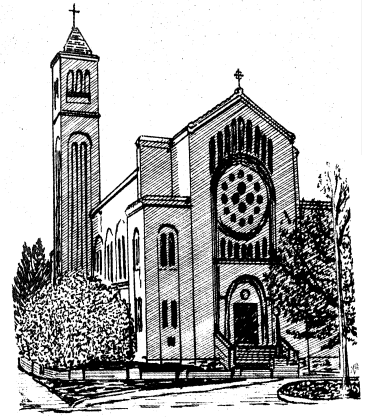
# St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

Solemnity of the  
Anniversary of the  
Dedication of the  
Cathedral

3/4 Feb 2018

Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn  
Archbishop: Most Rev Christopher Prowse DD STD  
Administrator : Fr Warrick Tonkin  
St Peter Chanel's Church: Fr Peter L'Estrange SJ



## Sunday Mass

### St Christopher's

Cnr Canberra Ave & Furneaux  
Street, Forrest (Manuka) ACT

**Sunday:** 8.00am,  
11.00am (sung),  
5.30pm

### St Peter Chanel's

Cnr Weston & Loch Streets,  
Yarralumla ACT

**Saturday:** 6.00pm Vigil  
**Sunday:** 9.30am

## Weekday Mass

### St Christopher's

**Monday to Saturday:** 12.15pm  
**Tuesday to Friday:** 7.30am

### St Peter Chanel's

**Tuesday:** 5.30pm  
**Thursday:** 10.00am (9.30am  
Adoration): Anointing Mass first  
Thursday of the month.

## Reconciliation

### St Christopher's

**Wednesday:** 12.45—1.15pm  
**Thursday:** 6.00 - 6.30pm  
**Saturday:** 11.00am - 12noon

### St Peter Chanel's

**Tuesday:** 6.00 - 6.30pm  
**Saturday:** 5.15 - 5.45pm

## Baptisms

**St Christopher's:** Second and  
fourth Sundays, 12.30pm

**St Peter Chanel's:** Third Sun-  
day, 10.30am

## Weddings

**St Christopher's:** Saturday  
1.30pm, 3.00pm and 4.30pm

**St Peter Chanel's:**  
By arrangement

### PARISH OFFICE

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Monday to Friday, 8.30am-12.15pm, 12.45pm-4.30pm—Parish Secretary: Michelle O'Connor

Online Payments Link: <https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/sccp>

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** *Wonderful are you, O God in your holy place. The God of Israel himself gives his people strength and courage. Blessed by God.*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** *How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord, mighty God.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!*

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** *You are the temple of God, and the Spirit of God dwells in you. The temple of God, which you are, is holy.*

## 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dedication of St Christopher's Cathedral

On Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> February, 1973, Archbishop Thomas Cahill formally dedicated the expanded St Christopher's Pro-Cathedral as St Christopher's Cathedral. 45 years later the Cathedral is now the centre-piece of the St Christopher's Cathedral Precinct, consisting of the Cathedral itself, the St Christopher's Pastoral Centre and the Independent Living Units at Marian Place.

But why celebrate such an event? Some might ask, why bother? Isn't it just a quirk of history? We celebrate the anniversary of the dedication of any church because that church is a physical representation of the community of faith which regularly gathers within it.

The Church has variously been described as the People of God, the Body of Christ, the Community of the Disciples of Jesus. At its heart the Church is, as described in the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church from Vatican II (*Lumen Gentium*), a mystery. To quote *Lumen Gentium* (n. 4) – "The universal Church is seen to be a 'people brought into unity from the unity of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.'"

In addition to being the place where our local faith community gathers, St Christopher's is also the Eucharistic heart of our Local Church of Canberra and Goulburn. It is the church from which the Archbishop presides over the Archdiocese. This is shown by the presence of his Cathedra (chair) in the sanctuary. It is from the word Cathedra that we derive the name Cathedral.

As we celebrate this anniversary we also call to mind the many liturgies and events of national significance that have occurred in the Cathedral over these past 45 years. Many of these events have been experiences of great joy. However, many others have commemorated moments of national and personal tragedy, also moments of shame and prayers for reparation.

We remember the thousands of people who have worshipped at St Christopher's over the decades. For those who have died, we continue to pray for the repose of their souls. For those who worship with us still, we pray that every one will pick up the God-given challenge to be a missionary disciple of Jesus. For those who gather with us on occasion, may they go from this place having experienced the gentle presence and the merciful Heart of Jesus.

Fr Warrick Tonkin  
Cathedral Administrator

# PARISH NEWS

## PARISH MINISTRIES

### Parish Pastoral Council

### Parish Finance Council

Fr Warrick Tonkin

### Director of Music

Jaki Kane

### Liturgy Rosters

Cecilia Flores & Scott Pobihun

### RCIA

Fr Warrick Tonkin

### School of Religion

Roby Joshua

### Accounts

Karina Widjaja

### St Vincent de Paul

*Assisting people in need and combatting social injustice in our community*

### Young Adults

*Animating parish and Archdiocesan life through prayer and event participation*

*Thursday 6.30pm Rosary/Bible Sharing/Fellowship SCC*

### Perpetual Novena to Mary

*Wednesday 6.00pm SCC*

### Good Shepherd Prayer Group

*Wednesday at 7pm SPC*

### Christian Meditation

*Saturday at 5pm SPC*

*"Be still and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10)*

## Other Communities

### African Community

*Second Sunday of the month at 11.45am SPC*

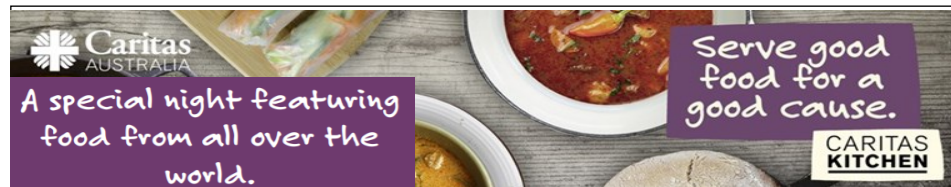
### Spanish Community

*First Sunday of the month at 11.30am SPC*

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

### Cathedral Piety Stall

Currently closed due to Maternity Leave



**JOIN US to raise awareness and funds for Project Compassion**  
**With Special guest speaker: Michael Maguire**

Michael Maguire, a former Australian professional rugby league football coach for the South Sydney Rabbitoh's, visited Caritas Programs in Zimbabwe in October 2017.

Michael will share his experience with us.

**Shrove Tuesday 13 February 2018 at 6pm**

St. Christopher's Pastoral Centre 55 Franklin Street, Forrest

**Register Online** by 9 February

**Crossroads Australia**—One of the walkers from the Crossroads Australia Pro-Life group, who are walking from Brisbane to Melbourne this Summer, will be speaking at parish Masses on the weekend of the 3rd-4th February about the Crossroads Walk and their mission of giving witness to the sanctity and dignity of human life at all stages. For more information about the walk and how you can help check out the website: <http://crossroadsaustralia.org/> or simply say hi to them after Mass.

**St Christopher's Cathedral Parish Sacrament of Confirmation Program, 2018** starts 27 Feb, 5.30pm-7pm at St Peter Chanel's Parish Room, Cnr of Weston and Loch Streets, Yarralumla. This is for Year 5 & 6 students or older who live in Barton, Causeway, Deakin, Forrest, Fyshwick, Griffith, Kingston, Manuka, Parkes, Red Hill, Yarralumla or attend school in these suburbs. Children must have received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion prior to Confirmation. More information and Enrolment form on [www.cg.org.au/cathedral](http://www.cg.org.au/cathedral). The celebration of the Sacrament will take place in St Christopher's Cathedral on Sunday 20 May 2018 at 11am.

**2018 Lenten video resource: "Good News in Tough Times"** - perfect for parish-based groups, families & individuals & presents a great opportunity for all to withdraw from the week-in, week-out busyness. Pre-order online: [www.faithresources.org.au](http://www.faithresources.org.au) or call the Bookshop 02 6239 9888.

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## OTHER NEWS

**“Wellsprings of Hope”** - 8 Feb, 7.30pm, Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Blackall St Barton—a discussion on the role of hope, resilience and Christians working together to make ethical reforms possible. Info: Robyn Coghlan 62540487.

**“Amicus”** - 10 Feb—a support group for widowed, divorced and separated Catholics, next gathering at Woden Southern Cross Club, 10th Feb, 7pm for dinner. Patricia: 0412 351548

**“Seeking the Mind of Christ”** - 9-11 Feb 2018—You are invited to a living encounter and a life transforming experience with the Lord Jesus and the Holy Spirit. 9 Feb - St Monica's Church: Evatt 7-9pm. 10 Feb - St Brigid's Church: Dickson 10am-5pm. 11 Feb - St Brigid's Church: Dickson 10.30am-5.30pm. Conducted by Brother Lalith Perera, Archbishop Christopher Prowse and Fr Ken Barker with support from Fr Bernie Patterson and Loi Viovicente. Lunch available at a nominal price or BYO. A crèche will also be available for children. Contact: Shan 0412 310364; Karen 0402 160401; Sean 0448 510237.

**“The Bread of Life Retreat”** - 16-18 Feb, 3pm, Shalom House of Prayer, 7 Collins Street, Carcoar. Explore how making sour-dough bread can be a very spiritual exercise. The retreat is for everyone to enjoy and the best part is there is no need to have any technical baking skills or advanced training, or holiness, or to be church-ed to attend. Suggested Donation of \$190 (includes all meals and accommodation) Ph: 02 63673058 or shalomcarcoar@gmail.com or shalomcarcoar.com

**ACCC Quiet Day: Rethinking Lent**—17 Feb, 9.30am-3pm, Australian Centre for Christianity, 15 Blackhall St, Barton—theologian Heather Thompson will lead on “Rethinking ‘Giving Up’ for Lent” and the implications for our spiritual journey. Cost: \$25 in cash at door — includes morning tea. BYO lunch. RSVP 12 Feb Alice-Anne Macnaught, aamacnaught@iinet.net.au; 0414 790 201.

**Catechist Training**—19 Feb—Catechists and parishioners are welcome to participate in the following training days. St Christopher’s Pastoral Centre (6.30–8.30pm). Please contact the parish coordinator or matt.ransom@cg.org.au

**Evenings for the Engaged**—17 & 24 Feb, Evenings for the Engaged, marriage preparation program, will be held over two consecutive Saturdays in 2018. Enquiries to Mark and Kathy Haseler, 6166 7634.

**February St Valentine’s Mass 2018**—17 Feb, 6pm, St Thomas the Apostle, Kambah invites parishioners to celebrate the love,

romance & joy of Christian Marriage with a celebration Mass, includes a Renewal of Marriage Promises for married couples, & a Special Blessing for engaged couples. Followed by an informal meal at a local club. Please RSVP to if you would like to join us for dinner to Elizabeth (6231 9219) or Trish (6231 8468)

**Introduction to Christian Meditation** - 19 Feb, 1 hour, for 5 successive Mondays; 7.15pm for 7.30pm start; Parish meeting room, Weston Street, Yarralumla. During Lent, find out about Christian Meditation, to experience this prayer practice, and to learn about its origins. The key to understanding the simplicity of Christian Meditation is within Psalm 46 – “Be still and know that I am God”. If you have wondered what Christian Meditation is about, this is an opportunity to taste and experience the practice in a small group, and to discover its relevance as a form of prayer for the contemporary world. Free, no RSVP required, just turn up. (www.wccm.org) Enquire: Rod or Susan: 0401 731 918

**Alpha Course**—commencing Tuesdays 20 Feb for 8 weeks. (Disciples of Jesus Community). Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. Dinner included. Everyone is welcome! Please contact Fiona Smith on 0411 144 208 for more information.

**Vivaldi Concerti Virtuosi Concert** (Bach & Paganini), Chamber Philharmonia Cologne (Germany), 27 Feb, 8pm at St Christopher’s Cathedral. Tickets 135100 or www.ticketmaster.com.au or cash at the door.

**MenAlive Breakfast**—Sat, 3 March, 7am, at HOME in Queanbeyan, 284 Crawford St, Queanbeyan. Topic: What is our role as men in our parish, and how can we achieve it? Cost. \$15. Includes breakfast, espresso coffee/tea juice etc. Guest speaker and round table discussion on topic. Info & booking: call 62994611 or Frank 0417664110. RSVP 28 Feb

**Loreto Alumni Luncheon**— 24 Mar. Ex students from all Loreto Convents are warmly welcomed at our annual regional lunch at Muse, Kingston preceded by Mass. Enquiries to Jenny Dobbin, 0439 619181

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** – 27-29 April at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW; relationship enrichment for married couples. Bookings online at www.wwme.org.au or Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or adrian.janet1@bigpond.com

### We pray for...

**Those who are ill:** David Swan, Greg Moran, Cora Murphy, Betty O’Neill, Brendan Roberts, Tan Roberts, Bob Howatson, Jose Cofre, Enid Martin, Richard Dodson, Vince Basilisco, Maria Walker, Doris Robertson, Gary Evans, Ella Black, Roderick Duncan, Bruce Kennedy, Claude Lucas, Marianne McGrath, Robert White, Christina Parido Davey, Fe Talicop, Richard Price, Toni-Gaye Bush, Tony Bush, Judith Carey, Anthony O’Connor, Michael Leon, Peter Hill, Hugh Patton, Gilbert Ferguson

**Anniversaries of death:** 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, Constance Jones

**Recently Deceased:** Angela Maher, Elfriede Mendel, Alan McInnes, Jozef Stefaniak, Bruce Bramley, Mary Harrigan, Fr John Baptiste Tran, Jack Pocock, Jack Smith, Natasha Cruz-Gutteridge, Dr Donald Dunlop (Newcastle), Rene Warrick-Williemsens, Michele Daniele, Fr Paul Tarpey, Steve Doszpot, Margaret Frawley, Victims of Egyptian terrorist attacks, Coby Fulop, Antonio Carrabs,

## Readings of the Day – Solemnity of the Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral

### First Reading

**Eze 43:1-2, 4-7**

The angel took me to the gate, the one facing east. I saw the glory of the God of Israel approaching from the east. A sound came with it, like the sound of the ocean, and the earth shone with his glory. The glory of the Lord arrived at the Temple by the east gate. The spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court; I saw the glory of the Lord fill the Temple. And I heard someone speaking to me from the Temple while the man stood beside me. The voice said, 'Son of man, this is the dais of my throne, the step on which I rest my feet. I shall live here among the sons of Israel for ever.'

### Second Reading

**Eph 2:19-22**

You are no longer aliens or foreign visitors: you are citizens like all the saints, and part of God's household. You are part of a building that has the apostles and prophets for its foundations, and Christ Jesus himself for its main cornerstone. As every structure is aligned on him, all grow into one holy temple in the Lord; and you too, in him, are being built into a house where God lives, in the Spirit.

### Gospel Reading

**Matt 16:13-19**

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets,' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

Mass	Lectors		Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist	
	3/4 Feb	10/11 Feb	3/4 Feb	10/11 Feb
6.00pm (SPC)	Geraldene Ford Frances Bulbrook	Margaret McKinnon Mike Nash	Mary Debus Sue Buckingham	Any available EMHC
8.00am (SCC)	Kristina Faigl Liza Quinn	Assigned Mineke Peerboom	Mineke Peerboom Any available EMHC	Phil Pocock Liza Quinn
9.30am (SPC)	Lynn Chan Dominic Chin	Jaye Longland Wanda Kaucz	Colliss Parrett	Wilfred & Margaret Lawrence
11.00am (SCC)	Silvia Bishop Bronwen Grey	Edwina Hyman Leeann Galloway	Jacqueline Hipwell	Ceciley Matthews Lionel D'Cruze
5.30pm (SCC)	Aoife Connors John Austen	YOUTH MASS	Elizabeth Young	Elizabeth Young

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