St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

— Year B

10/11 Feb 2018

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 Sunday, 10.30am

Weddings

St Christopher's: Saturday 1.30pm, 3.00pm and 4.30pm St Peter Chanel's: By arrangement 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

PARISH OFFICE

55 Franklin Street, Forrest ACT 2603 (02) 6239 9846 (bh) cathedral@cg.org.au / www.cg.org.au/cathedral Monday to Friday, 8.30am-12.15pm, 12.45pm-4.30pm—Parish Secretary: Michelle O'Connor Online Payments Link: <u>https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/sccp</u>

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

Lenten Message 2018 — Days of Fasting and Reparation

The forty days of Lent are upon us earlier this year!

We have returned from our holidays of January. The return to work, school and the normal routine activities of our year are quickly occupying our time and energies.

Yet, the annual Lenten penitential journey we now make towards Easter is here!

In the midst of this sudden change of pace in our lives, let us try our best to enter into the grace Lent offers us all.

Our ancient yet ever new Christian Tradition offers us during Lent the enduring disciplines of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These prepare us to celebrate worthily the central tenet of our faith – the Death and Resurrection of Jesus, Our Lord and Saviour. In the Risen Jesus darkness and despair have been forever defeated by light and hope.

Last December 2017 the Australian Youth Festival in Sydney proved a stunning moment of light and hope of the Holy Spirit for the thousands of youth gathered. Our own diocese was well represented. It officially launched the YEAR OF YOUTH for 2018.

Yet, incredibly at the same time, the Final Report of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, was published. It has showcased moments of great darkness and despair not simply in courageous victims but also their family and friends and all of us.

This tragedy of sexual abuse ought become a particular prayer focus of our Lenten discipline this year.

The Bishops of Australia have requested that the four days from Ash Wednesday (14th Feb till 17th Feb) be dedicated in a special way to fasting and reparation in sorrow for child abuse and for the healing of victims.

I am confident that parishes and communities will be able to respond appropriately to this request. Liturgical resources are readily available to assist.

My prayer is that our spiritual journey of Lent to the Easter Mysteries assist us to shift our focus afresh onto Jesus, our hope and lasting peace.

Archbishop Christopher Prowse

Catholic Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn



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

Good Shepherd Prayer Group Wednesday at 7pm SPC Parish Room (Feb-Dec)

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

• Pope Francis declares 11 February 2018 the XXVI World Day of the Sick.

• We welcome the Venezia Giulia Association at today's 11am Mass.

Shrove Tuesday 13 Feb 2018 at 6pm St. Christopher's Pastoral Centre 55 Franklin Street, Forrest. Register Online by 9 February. 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. http://my.caritasfundraising.org.au/LuluMitshabu2018

Ash Wednesday Masses - 14 Feb—Cathedral 7.30am & 12.15pm, St Peter Chanel's 6pm.

- Catholics are obliged to receive holy communion at least once a year, in Australia and New Zealand between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday.
- Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and 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 (CCL 97, 1251-52).

Vespers for the First Sunday of Lent will be sung by St Christopher's Cathedral Choir on Sunday 18 February at 6.30pm. All are welcome to join in song and prayer.

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. The celebration of the Sacrament will take place in St Christopher's Cathedral on Sunday 20 May 2018 at 11am. **First Reconciliation** Program starts 22 May

First Holy Communion Program starts 31 July.

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 or call the Bookshop 02 6239 9888.

Found: Stroller left at St Peter Chanel's. Please speak to Fr Peter or an Acolyte to collect your lost property

OTHER NEWS

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.

"The Cry of the Earth, Care of our Common Home" - 17/18 Feb. St Clement's Retreat & Conference Centre Galong, 9.15am. Fr Anthony Kelly & Jacqui Remond, the former Catholic Earth care Director explore key elements of Pope Francis' Laudato Si'. \$30 (\$20 conc.) includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. Bookings are essential. Phone: St Clement's (02) 6380 5222 or info@stclement.com.au. Accommodation is also available for the weekend.

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.

YMI Equipping School- 1-4 Mar.—intensive formation school that equips & resources youth, young adults & ministry leaders for the mission of the Catholic Church. The Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn invites all youth & young adults from parishes or ecclesial movements wanting to be formed for ministry and mission to attend. Contact Huw Warmenhoven (huw.warmenhoven@cg.org.au). Register at ymiequippingschool.eventbrite.com.au

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.

Brisbane Catholic Bushwalking Club Hits 60! All Past Members, Family & Friends of BCBC are invited to the celebrations on 10th March: Mass at 10am at St William's Church, 67 Dawson Pde, Keperra, followed by a light lunch. See the link "The 60th Anniversary" on http://www.bcbc.bwq.org.au. RSVP bcbcbigevent@gmail.com or call Greg on 3351 4092.

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

For Rent: One bedroom self contained Garden flat, Yar-ralumla. Call 62811075.

We pray for...

Those to be baptised: Amarieah Devine, April Pantos, Mia & Luca Barbaro, Augustus Refuerzo

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

<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, Constance Jones, Bernabe Baez, Fr Alfred Delp, Ralph, Allen & Leo Biggs

<u>Recently Deceased</u>: 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-Williemsen, Michele Daniele, Fr Paul Tarpey, Steve Doszpot, Margaret Frawley, Victims of Egyptian terrorist attacks, Coby Fulop, Antonio Carrabs,

First Reading

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

Second Reading

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

Gospel Reading

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER				
Lectors			Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist	
Mass	10/11 Feb	17/18 Feb	10/11 Feb	17/18 Feb
6.00pm	Margaret McKinnon	Judith Blundell	Any available EMHC	Judith Blundell
(SPC)	Mike Nash	Geraldene Ford		Frances Bulbrook
8.00am	Assigned	Liza Quinn	Phil Pocock	Mimma Memmolo
(SCC)	Mineke Peerboom	Jessica Neubeck	Liza Quinn	Tony Pelle
9.30am	Jaye Longland	Gloria Osborne	Wilfred & Margaret Law-	Any available EMHC
(SPC)	Wanda Kaucz	Jaye Longland	rence	
11.00am	Edwina Hyman	Gabrielle Wright	Ceciley Matthews	Edwina Hyman
(SCC)	Leeann Galloway	Jacqueline Hipwell	Lionel D'Cruze	Mark Hyman
5.30pm (SCC)	YOUTH MASS	Arnel Basas Jacob Madden	Elizabeth Young	Elizabeth Young Lionel D'Cruze

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1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1

Lv 13:1-2. 44-46

Mk 1:40-45