



St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Forrest, ACT

(Incorporating St Peter Chanel's,
Cnr Weston & Loch Sts, Yarralumla)

St Christopher's Cathedral Parish encompasses the areas of Barton,
Causeway, Deakin, Forrest, Fyshwick, Griffith, Kingston, Manuka,
Parkes, Red Hill, Yarralumla

PARISH LITURGIES

Weekend Masses

St Peter Chanel's (SPC)

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

St Christopher's Cathedral (SCC)

Sunday - 8.00am

St Peter Chanel's (SPC)

Sunday 9.30am

St Christopher's Cathedral (SCC)

Sunday 11:00am (sung)

Sunday 5.30pm

Weekday Masses at St Christopher's Cathedral

Mon-Sat - 12.15pm

Tues-Fri - 7.30am

Weekday Masses at St Peter Chanel's

Tuesday - 5:30pm

Thursday - 10am (9.30am Anointing Mass first
Thursday of the month)

Adoration SCC—First Friday of the month 12.45-2pm

Reconciliation (Sacrament of Penance)

St Christopher's Cathedral

Wed 11.30am-12pm, Thur 6-6.30pm, Sat 11am-12pm

St Peter Chanel's

Tues 6-6.30pm, Sat 5.15-5.45pm

Baptisms and Marriages

By appointment only. Contact Parish Office

**Parish Office closed 12.00pm Fri 21 Dec
2018 & reopens 8.30am Wed 2 Jan 2019.**

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph (C)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

*The shepherds went in haste,
and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a
manger.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

*Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among
us.*

Next Week's Readings:

The Epiphany of the Lord/C

Isa 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3, 5-6; Matt 2:1-12

PARISH NEWS

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program
will recommence on 6 Feb 2019.

Canberra Cathedral Young Adults Group is seeking new
members (18-35yrs). If you are interested, contact them
on their "Canberra Cathedral Young Adults" facebook
page.

Christmas Message | December 2018

CHRISTMAS JOY

In his Christmas message this year, Archbishop Christopher
Prowse emphasised that giving love is the greatest love there is.

“It is certainly true to say at Christmas – ‘Isn’t it great to be
loved!’,’ the Archbishop of the Catholic Archdiocese of Canberra
and Goulburn said.

“But it is even greater to say ‘Isn’t it great to love!’”

“Jesus is always found in the latter. Jesus is forever the guiding and
saving light that scatters the darkness of sin.

“If this is what Jesus does, so must we do the same this Christmas.”

Archbishop Christopher drew upon the symbolism of light and
darkness at Christmas Time.

“It seems that Jesus was born in the middle of the night. People
were sleeping,” Archbishop Christopher said.

“Yet, it was not simply the absence of the sun that caused this mid-
night. Another type of “darkness” was at play: inhospitality.

“The Holy Family, at least at this crucial moment of salvation his-
tory, were homeless due to the absence of hospitality in Bethle-
hem.”

Reinforcing that the giving of love and the shining of light are not
simply an academic or a sentimental exercise, Archbishop Christo-
pher highlighted the practical charity done by groups such as St
Vincent de Paul and others in the Canberra community. They help
relieve homelessness, hunger and anguish for “the lost, the least
and the last,” especially at Christmas Time.

“Darkness will not have the last word,” he said.

“There is hope. There is light. For Christians that LIGHT IS JE-
SUS, our hope, and glory. This is our Christmas joy!”

Archbishop Christopher Prowse

Catholic Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn December
2018

Archbishop: Most Rev Christopher Prowse DD STD
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OTHER NEWS

St Vincent de Paul - Urgent Call for Summer Holiday Volunteers. Vinnies Centres need volunteers able to work about 5, 4 hour shifts between the 22 Dec and 1st of Feb. Most Centres are open Monday – Saturday, public holidays excepted. If you know someone who would be interested or if you are interested, please contact us by phoning 6234 7348 or by emailing volunteer@svdp-cg.org.au.

CCR New Year's Eve Adoration Vigil—31 Dec, 8pm-2am, St Peter Chanel's, Weston St, Yarralumla with Holy Mass at midnight. Come and adore Jesus in the Blessed sacrament. For more information call Susanna on 0419 902 293.

New Year's Eve Prayer Vigil—31 Dec, 8.30pm, St Michael's Church, 2 Tyrrell Circuit, Kaleen. The Marian Movement of Priests invites parishioners and their friends to the 12th Annual Prayer Vigil. The First Cenacle will be prayed at 8.45pm (Joyful Mysteries), the Second Cenacle at 9.45pm (Luminous Mysteries), the Third Cenacle at 10.45pm (Glorious Mysteries) with Exposition from 8.30pm until 11.45pm followed by Midnight Mass. For further inquiries phone Judy & Joe Mewburn, 6254 6202.

Summer School of Evangelisation—6-13 Jan 2019. A week long retreat into the powerful experience of the Holy Spirit, opening up possibilities for deepening faith, peace, healing, joy, freedom and passion for the Gospel of Jesus. An outreach of the Disciples of Jesus Covenant Community. St Stanislaus College, Bathurst and other locations around Australia. Email bathurst@summerschool.org.au or Visit https://summerschool.org.au for more information.

Change The Heart Prayer Service—17 Jan 2019, Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, 6pm regarding the 26th of January. Light refreshments provided. Contact: Rev Kathrine Rainger, k_rainger@hotmail.com, Hazel Davies, hazelmdavies@gmail.com, Rev Tracey Matthews, traceyann.matthews@gmail.com. During the service an offering will be taken up to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Christian ministry through the Grasstree Gathering www.grasstreegathering.org.au.

Palms Australia—Make an Encounter in 2019—rich immersions that challenge perceptions of our neighbours, guided by Palms mission volunteers with cultural experience of Timor Leste, Myanmar & Samoa. www.palms.org.au/encounters.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

Lectors

MASS	29/30 Dec	5/6 Jan
6.00pm (SPC)	Damien Balachandran Marcelle Disanayake	Sheila van Gent Mike Nash
8.00am (SCC)	Jessica Neubeck Wanda Kaucz	Liza Quinn Phil Pocock
9.30am (SPC)	Colliss Parrett	Gloria Osborne Melissa Kent
11.00am (SCC)	Edwina Hyman Mark Hyman	Leeann Galloway Bronwen Grey
5.30pm (SCC)	Aoife Connors Arnel Basas	Jacob Madden Peter Carrigy-Ryan

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

MASS	29/30 Dec	5/6 Jan
6.00pm (SPC)	Any available EMHC	Mary Debus Sue Buckingham
8.00am (SCC)	Any available EMHC	Mineke Peerboom
9.30am (SPC)	Any available EMHC	Colliss Parrett
11.00am (SCC)	Any available EMHC	Jacqueline Hipwell Bronwen Grey
5.30pm (SCC)	Any available EMHC	Elizabeth Young Lionel D'Cruze

Prayer Requests

Recently Deceased: Mary Pini, Tiziano Colbertaldo, Sr Marie Duffy, Alexandre Arekion, Noel Ryan, Reg Chapman, Nigel Bates, Daryl Powell, Maureen Mays, Garry O'Donnell, Tan Roberts, Teresa De Marco, Luigi Martinello, John Robertson,

Anniversaries: Constantino Salza, Nola Palisi, Domenico Marando, Madeleine Marsh Wright, Domenico Virgara, Nuala Kelly, John McLennan Duffy, Giuseppe Bonfini, Philomena Burke, Fr Thomas Wright, Raymond Noonan, Eva Kotthoff, Kathleen Moriarty, Olga Knight, Margaret Wilson, Federick Howley, Edith Dorn, Ellen Fenner, Anna Italiano, Judy Foschia, Bruna Romano, Anne Merner

Sick: Joan Joshua, Lois Billings, Fr Peter L'Estrange SJ, David Cusack, Peter Sutherland, Stella Lazar, Betty O'Brien, Rod Duncan, Bruce Kennedy,