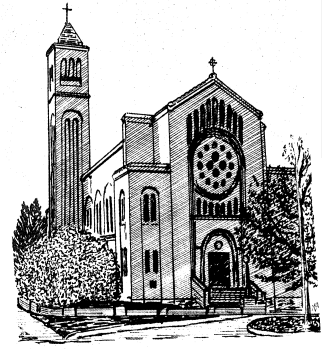


# St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

The Most Holy Trinity  
Year B  
26 May 2024

Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn  
Archbishop: Most Rev Christopher Prowse DD STD  
Administrator: Fr Trenton van Reesch  
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YEAR OF THE  
HOLY SPIRIT  
August 2023– 2024

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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

**Tuesday 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



## Understanding the Trinity and Ourselves

There is always a reason why the Church does things the way and order that she does. Today we celebrate the Feast of the most Holy Trinity, we celebrate God Himself. This first Sunday after Pentecost we give God thanks for revealing Himself in the mystery of the Trinity - Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

We hear in our readings how this revelation has unfolded in time. Moses marvels in wonder and awe at how great it is that almighty God should chose a people for Himself. Moses is partly shocked, for he believes these people do not deserve to be God's own after having turned their backs on God so many times before. It's an important point to reflect on: God's relationship with us is not transactional. God isn't good to us because we are good to Him, God is good to us because God chooses to be good to us. God doesn't reveal Himself because we are curious about Him, or because our values are the same as His. God reveals Himself to Moses and to the Jewish people, purely for the sake of being known. God chooses to have a community with us.

Over time we see this community develop, as God shows more of Himself through the law and the prophets. This community who knows God tries to become more and more like God. We see the gradual mediation of God's presence come to its fullness in Jesus Christ. God walks amongst us, He was with us and slowly we learned how to be with Him. In today's Mass we hear Jesus' final earthly words to his disciples: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"

Jesus doesn't tell us to baptise in the name of Jesus, nor the name Emmanuel, instead Jesus tells us to baptise in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Jesus reveals to us the very name of God. We see that God Himself is a communion - three persons joined together in one substance. St. John would write of this communion as: "God is Love" (1 John 4:7-12).

In our baptism we share the life, death and resurrection of Christ. In our communion with Christ we are in communion with the whole Trinity. With Christ we are at the centre of God's love. Our place in this mystery is beautiful - the Church is the bride of Christ, our communion is being one body with the incarnate Word; in loving the Son who poured out his life for us, we come to share the love between Father, Son and Spirit this great Godly love which has created and sustains all things.

Fr. Alex

# NOTICES

## PARISH MINISTRIES

### Director of Music

Ms Jaki Kane

### RCIA

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Contact Office

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### Youth Coordinator

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### Safeguarding Officer

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### Weekly Liturgical Calendar

Mon May 27	8th Week in Ord. Time
Tues May 28	8th Week in Ord. Time
Wed May 29	8th Week in Ord. Time
Thu. May 30	8th Week in Ord. Time
Fri. May 31	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sat. June 1	8th Week in Ord. Time St Justin
Sun June 2	CORPUS CHRISTI, YR B

## 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.**

**PARISH MORNING TEA**— First Sunday of the month in the Haydon Hall after the 8am Mass. Everyone is welcome! Next date: **Sunday 2nd June.**

**SCHOOL OF RELIGION**— First Reconciliation classes start **Tues 4 June, 6pm-7:30pm** in St Peter Chanel's Parish Room, Yarralumla. 1st Reconciliation will take place on Wednesday **3 July 2024.** Please contact the office to enroll or for more information.

**CATECHESIS WITH FR ALEX**—For the next few weeks will cover the history of the Church from its very beginning through to today and even guess at what the future of Church might look like. This Monday we will look at the recent history and take a guess at the foreseeable future of the Church 1945-2070. Come and join in, dinner and drinks provided. Monday **27th May**, Haydon Hall at **6:30pm**, bring a friend and make some more.

**CORPUS CHRISTI - Eucharistic Procession, Sunday, 2 June**, following **11am Mass** at St Christopher's Cathedral. All are invited to honour the feast of *Corpus Christi* in a short Eucharistic procession. The procession will feature prayers, hymns and Benediction.

**CALLED & GIFTED**— Have you ever wondered what mission has been entrusted specifically to you? Do you feel called to serve God more deeply? Called and Gifted is a discernment process to help us to understand our spiritual gifts, and understand how discerning and pursuing your call can change your life, your Parish and the world! The Cathedral Parish will run the program over 5 sessions from **6.30pm** on a Thursday night in the Haydon Hall every fortnight from **27 June** at a cost of \$38.50 (GST inclusive) per person. Please register at <https://www.trybooking.com/CRWOD>.

**READ AND FEED: CATHOLIC SPIRITUALITY BOOK CLUB**— Focusing on cultivating a deeper spiritual life. Starting with *Spiritual Warfare and the Discernment of Spirits* by Dan Burke – an excellent introduction to the spirituality of St Ignatius of Loyola. Available to purchase from the Catholic Bookstore, Amazon, Dymocks, Parousia Media online store and/or Veritatis Publishing. Don't worry if you can't purchase the book as we'll be reading sections out loud on the night. Held every **Friday 7pm-8:30pm** in the **Haydon Hall**. Food and drinks provided.

**Lectors (new and current) for SPC/SCC masses:** The parish is seeking lectors for SPC 9:30 a.m., especially SCC 8:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Saturday vigil mass. If you are interested, please send the following information to the email [scc.spc.readers@gmail.com](mailto:scc.spc.readers@gmail.com) Please include your name, phone contacts & email. Lectors training - will be on a Saturday morning or afternoon. Time and date TBA.

**Tim Fischer Oration on Ethics in Public and Political Life 2024 - 7 August 6pm** We are at the crossroads in Australia in particular, and in the Western World in general. Fundamental human values are under great strain, and so an overarching societal narrative is becoming opaque. The Tim Fischer Oration aims to enlighten and encourage us to seek out and promote a free and fair society. Do join us in our noble endeavour. **Speaker:** Professor Helen Alvare, Levy Endowed Chair in Law and Liberty at Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University **Q&A:** Chris Uhlmann, Political Journalist and TV Presenter **For more information & tickets visit** [www.tfo.org.au](http://www.tfo.org.au)

**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](mailto:marcelle.disanayake@gmail.com). Materials and a program will be provided.



# 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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**OPEN LETTER TO ACT MLAs against upcoming VAD BILL**— show your support in opposing the Voluntary Assist Dying Bill 2023 by signing the petition <https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/actcampaign> The aim is to reach 10,000 signatures. To find out more <https://www.no euthanasia.org.au/about>

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**LIVING WORD - ARCHDIOCESAN DAILY GOSPEL REFLECTIONS** – Stay connected. Sign up for FREE at [cgatholic.org.au/LivingWord/](https://cgatholic.org.au/LivingWord/)

**menALIVE** - A weekend for Men featuring talks, personal testimonies, opportunities for discussion, & space to reflect. Since menALIVE commenced in 2003, thousands of Catholic men have been encouraged & inspired at weekends across Aust. Now, MHoC Parish menALIVE weekend is being organised in Pearce 25 & 26 May, conducted by experienced leaders from the menALIVE Team. Register with QR Code or <https://canberracatholic.men>. See flyer in church. Enq, ph/text Mat Wolnicki 0438 446 489, Fr Emil 0414 523 036, or Adam Wojtonis 0422 212 881.

**St. Thomas More Forum**—St Thomas More Parish and Forum Annual Dinner 2024 and 19th Annual St. Thomas More Forum Lecture Engaging an AI Generation **14 June 2024.** Keynote Speaker: Fr Rob Galea, Founder FRG and ICON Ministry  
Venue: Mercure Hotel, Braddon Cost: \$99 (Two Course Dinner and Wine) Book Now <https://bit.ly/stmf-140624> Or Call 0416823447 or email [forum@stthomasmore.org.au](mailto:forum@stthomasmore.org.au)

**Vocations Discernment Dinners- alternating between a presbytery and the Archbishop's House**—2nd Thursday of the month. 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](mailto:emil.milat@cg.org.au).



## 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:** Laurence Hankin, Elijah White

**Those who are ill:** Cyrus & Maximus Mee, Maria Louisa, Rose Hook, Nicoletta Ricciuti, Sonja Vocisano, Archie Ferris, Tony Dickins, Marilena Damiano, Fr Greg Beath, Sophy Jacob, Alla Skorokhodova, Tony Kelly, Susie Menadue, Geraldene Ford, 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:** Alyssa Henley, Judy Cummins, Frank Brennan, Monica Cooper, Carla Pastrello, Peg O'Hehir, Jane Jennings, Stanley & Mollie Jones, Fr Viv Morrison, Alma Sainsbury, Jack Delaney, Kathleen Bennett, Frances Riordan, Allan Read, Max Bradley, Jean Sunner, Mary O'Brien, Mary Hehir, Jennifer Gowing, David Crossin, Sr Leonie Crotty, Peter Xavier, Michael Rheinberger, Marcus Mumford, Anthony Sullivan, Margaret Gillespie, Sandra Altrin, Robert Porra, Carmel Pickard, Thomas Clowry, Denis Hogan, Joyce Cook, Katarina Kish, Rita O'Connor, Stephen Brooks, Iluminada del La Rosa, Graziella Foini

**Recently Deceased:** Agnes Sorrentino, Sheila van Gent, Kevin Conlan, Emilia Belmonte, Domenico Barbatano, Sam Catanzariti, Maria Gallo, Victims of the Bondi Junction attack, Ian "Bob" McPherson, Tom Grealley, Keith Drury, Ger-Jan Bruins OSA, John Morrison, Maria Gelones, Theresia Beli Najjes (mother of Fr Joseph Neonbasu), Archbishop Francis Carroll,

# The Most Holy Trinity —Year B — 25/26 May



Cathedral QR code

**Entrance Antiphon:** Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

**Responsorial:** Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father

## First Reading

**Deut 4:32-34. 39-40**

Moses said to the people: 'Put this question to the ages that are past, that went before you, from the time God created man on earth: Was there ever a word so majestic, from one end of heaven to the other? Was anything ever heard? Did ever a people hear the voice of the living God speaking from the heart of the fire, as you heard it, and remain alive? Has any god ventured to take to himself one nation from the midst of another by ordeals, signs, wonders, war with mighty hand and outstretched arm, by fearsome terrors – all this that the Lord your God did for you before your eyes in Egypt? 'Understand this today, therefore, and take it to heart: The Lord is God indeed, in heaven above as on earth beneath, he and no other. Keep his laws and commandments as I give them to you today so that you and your children may prosper and live long in the land that the Lord your God gives you for ever.'

## Second Reading

**Roman 8:14-17**

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

## Gospel

**Matthew 28:16-20**

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

READERS ROSTER MAY				
Lectors			Eucharistic Ministers	
Mass	25/26 May	1/2 June	25/26 May	1/2 June
5.00pm (SCC)	Jacob Madden Samantha Hazlett	Edwina Hyman Mark Hyman		
8.00am (SCC)	Marcus Smith Zvon Seselja	Becky Langworthy		
9.30am (SPC)	Damien Balanchandran Jaye Longland	Kristina Faigl Damien Balanchandran		
11.00am (SCC)	Leeann Galloway Jacqui Ramesh	Jacqui Ramesh Leeann Galloway	Jacqui Ramesh Kathy Ruston	Jacqueline Hipwell Leeann Galloway
5.00pm (SCC)	Anthony Brierley Les Buszynski	Francilia Gomes Rebekah O'Meagher		

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