# St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year B

20/21 Jan 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**

55 Franklin Street, Forrest ACT 2603

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

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Teach me your ways, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! The kingdom of God is near:

believe the Good News! Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not

be abashed.

### AS WE PONDER THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

"John the Baptist has just spoken of one 'coming after' him (1:7). Here he is standing before us and telling us that 'the time is fulfilled': the time to which the prophets had looked forward with such longing; the time that had filled the dreams and sustained the lives of a whole people; the time when God would visit this world and establish his peace and justice and the reign of his love. The time of expectation has come to an end. History has reached its full flowering!

"To appreciate the startling nature of what Jesus is proclaiming here, one needs to appreciate the enthusiasm of the Messianic expectation that was characteristic of Judaism at that time. Against the background of that expectation there is no avoiding the absoluteness of Jesus' claim. The time for repentance, the time for a change of mind and heart, is now! Not in the distant future, but tomorrow. Here and now! The time for the fulfillment of all that God has promised 'has come near.' Jesus is proclaiming that God is acting powerfully, now, to bring healing and liberation.

"What this means and how people are to change their minds and hearts is the subject of the rest of the Gospel. Here, Mark tells us simply that it requires an attitude of 'believing': that is to say, an attitude of listening, of heeding what we hear, and of faithfully acting upon it. Essential, too, is the realization that what Jesus is revealing is something 'new,' and that the news is 'good.' The challenge thrown down by Mark in the opening words of his Gospel (1:1) issues now from the mouth of Jesus. We will need to listen to Jesus if we are to hear this good news. It is the recognition of how good the news is that will give people the courage to dare to make whatever changes are necessary to heed Jesus' summons. ...

"... God cannot be contained within the limits of our ideas concerning him or the ways in which we have so far come to know him. Yet this transcendent God is immanent in our lives and in our world, and has come near us in Jesus. A disciple of Jesus must always be ready to 'repent,' to 'turn out of the shadow of our own selfishness into God's radiant light,' to be open to the surprise of God's word calling us to an ever deeper intimacy, and to an ever closer sharing in the mission which God entrusted to Jesus."

(Michael Fallon, *The Gospel According to St Mark*, 1997, pp. 58-59)

### **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

Maintenance Manager

Pieter van Gent

#### 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** Third Sunday of the month at

11.30am 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

**Australia Day Masses** will be as per our usual Mass times: Cathedral 7.30am and 12.15pm.



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

http://my.caritasfundraising.org.au/LuluMitshabu2018

**RCIA**—Next meeting for Candidates and RCIA team will be held on 31 January 2018, 7.30pm at St Christopher's Parish Office, Ground Floor, 55 Franklin Street, Forrest.

### **Appointment of Deputy Director for Catholic Education**

Mr Angus Tulley, Florey, has been appointed as Deputy Director for Catholic Education in the Archdiocese for 2018. Angus has worked in a number of Catholic Colleges in Canberra and currently holds the position of Principal at St Francis Xavier College, Florey. He has been President of the Principals' Executive in the Archdiocese since 2014.

### Wednesday Confessions at St Christopher's

These Confessions are heard from 12.45pm up to 1.15pm IF people are waiting. If all penitents have been attended to the Priest Confessor will not necessarily wait until 1.15pm before leaving.

**Palms Encounters** are ethically run group tours that provide participants with authentic, hard to come by experiences. The tours have been carefully designed to give you an insight into the daily life of people of another culture, an understanding of Palms Australia sustainable approaches to reducing poverty, and an insight into the life and work of Palms development volunteers.

We still have limited places available for our next trip to Timor-Leste 11-23 March if you book by 5pm Thursday 25 January. Please contact Palms on 02 9560 5333 or see www.palms.org.au/encounters

## **OTHER NEWS**

"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 Father 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.

**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.

17 – February St Valentine's Mass 2018—17 Feb, 6pm, St Thomas the Apostle, Kambah invites parishioners to celebrate the love, romance and joy of Christian Marriage with a celebration Mass. Mass will include a Renewal of Marriage Promises for married couples, and a Special Blessing for engaged couples. Mass will be 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)

**20 – February Alpha Course**—commencing Tuesdays 20 Feb for 8 weeks. The Disciples of Jesus Community are running an Alpha course. 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.

"Concerned Catholics of Canberra" - 22 Mar. Parishioners, clergy, and friends are invited to the 3rd public forum of Concerned Catholics of Canberra-Goulburn. Francis Sullivan, CEO, Truth Justice and Healing Council, will provide an analysis of the Royal Commission's final report. Contact: Rod Page: concerned.catholics.cangbn@gmail.com

Tribunal of the Catholic Church—Marriage breakdown is usually a traumatic experience for all those concerned with many divorcees unsure of the validity of this marriage within the Catholic Church. The Church reaches out in support of those whose marriage has broken down, while upholding the permanence of a true Christian marriage. If you are divorced or in the process of finalising your divorce and would like information about the annulment process, please contact the Tribunal on 6239 9813 or tribunal@cg. org.au. All enquiries remain confidential to the Tribunal

2018 Lenten video resource: "Good News in Tough Times" - This resource is perfect for parish-based groups, families and individuals and presents a great opportunity for all to withdraw from the week-in, week-out busyness. To pre-order online: www.faithresources.org.au or call the Bookshop 02 6239 9888



We pray for...

Those to be baptised: River Sculthorpe

<u>Those who are ill</u>: 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>: Mary Walshe, Silvio Cadona, Sylvia Crossin, Eleanora Gaider, Sheila Semecky, Reginald Gallagher, Des Black, Kathleen Kelly, Margaret Lyons, Vernon Davies, Margaret Mumford, Allen Blundell, John Stephens, Elizabeth, Bill, Hannah & Phoebe Allan, Arthur Burt, Margaret Burnell

<u>Recently Deceased</u>: 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 Jon 3:1-5. 10

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least.

them the disaster which he had threatened.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on

Second Reading 1 Cor 7:29-31

Brothers, our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

Gospel Reading Mk 1:14-20

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedeein the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER				
Lectors			Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist	
Mass	20/21 Jan	27/28 Jan	20/21 Jan	27/28 Jan
6.00pm	Sheila van Gent	Margaret McKinnon	Judith Blundell	Pieter van Gent
(SPC)	Judith Blundell	Mike Nash	Frances Bulbrook	
8.00am	Assigned	Jessica Neubeck	Mimma Memmolo	Mimma Memmolo
(SCC)	Kristina Faigl	Phillip Pocock	Tony Pelle	Tony Pelle
9.30am (SPC)	Clarice Poh Dominic Chin	Gloria Osborne Jaye Longland	Any available EMHC	Colliss Parrett
11.00am	Ceciley Matthews	Scott Pobihun	Bronwen Grey	Liz Porra
(SCC)	Gabrielle Wright	Cecilia Flores	Barbara Harrison	Leeann Galloway
5.30pm	Marcelle Disanayake	Edwina Hyman	Elizabeth Young	Tony Croke
(SCC)	Damian Balachandran	John Austen	Lionel D'Cruze	Lionel D'Cruze

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