

St Christopher's Cathedral Parish, Canberra

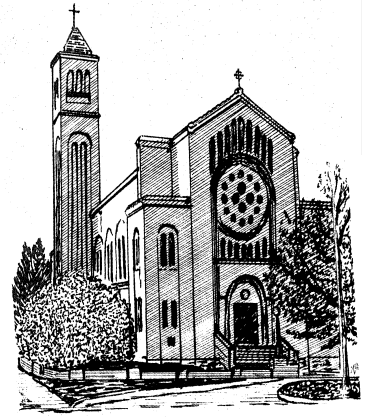
(including St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla)

Second Sunday of
Lent

— Year B

3/4 Mar 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: *My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: *The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.*

“SOUNDS OF LOVE FROM MOUNT SINAI”

Taken in isolation, the Ten Commandments can seem bald and lifeless, like most law. But that is not the way we should read or hear or live the Commandments.

The Commandments can only make sense to us, as Christians, through the eyes of Jesus. Then they cease to be Commandments, they become ‘sounds of love from Mount Sinai.’ They become 10 Words freeing us to live in right relationship with God, with one another and with ourselves.

The first commandment - God is one, there is to be no other - is all about **faith**. This commandment challenges us to keep focused on God.

The second commandment - God's name is not to be misused - is about **holiness**. This commandment calls us to be aware of God's presence in the midst of life. We are to develop a sense of the sacred, for all people and for nature.

The third commandment - keep holy the Sabbath - is all about **gratitude**. Here we are to use the Sabbath to rest, to renew, to deepen our relationship with God, and by extension, with others. We are to be thankful, and the best way we can do this is with one another at weekend Eucharist. To keep holy the Sabbath is an invitation to become re-created, it is an invitation to give ourselves permission to relax.

The fourth commandment - honour your father and your mother - is all about **care**. This commandment is not just about caring for aging parents. It is, however, about recognising and respecting the place that other people have in our lives.

The fifth commandment - you shall not kill - is all about **life**. Where love abounds, life is certain to be safe. If love is ignored, if indifference prevails, and life becomes cheap, then we witness war, murder, ethnic cleansing, genocide, terrorism, abortion, euthanasia. This fifth commandment demonstrates humankind's deepest belief in a love that affirms life.

The sixth commandment - you shall not commit adultery - is all about **faithfulness**. The proper context of this commandment is the sacredness of marriage and family values. Adultery goes to the core of being unfaithful. Adultery fails to honour the basic commitment of a married couple to be sexually intimate with each other, only, and it also strikes at the very stability of the family. The wisdom behind the sixth commandment is simple - broken promises lead to broken lives.

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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

The seventh commandment - you shall not steal - is all about **honesty**. It says a firm no to theft, in all its forms. It says no to the enslavement of people, whereby human persons are used as objects and not respected as persons. Examples of this abound, through slavery, the drug trade, prostitution, pornography, and economic systems that exploit the poor and the powerless. Now, more than ever, we are called to rediscover the unique value of every human person and to understand that we have responsibilities, in justice, for one another. That, in a nutshell, is what the seventh commandment is all about.

The eighth commandment - you shall not bear false witness - is all about **truth**. As Gospel people, we are challenged to become what God is - true. Rash judgments of others, detraction, rumours, remarks which are fabricated to harm the good name of others is contrary to this commandment. Lies of any sort are the root cause of undermining trust and relationships generally. They can lead to the destruction of communities. So, we are to live in the truth!

The ninth commandment - you shall not covet your neighbour's wife - is all about **purity**. Being clean of heart is the central message of the ninth commandment. The Biblical ideal of a clean heart means that a person should have a one-track mind when it comes to God, for it is in the heart that decisions are made.

The tenth commandment - you shall not covet your neighbour's goods - is all about **generosity**. This commandment diverts us from greed and all forms of undue possessiveness, and opens up the possibility of acquiring a giving heart. A heart that recognises and responds to the needs of others.

Why the Commandments? Why these Ten Words, this Decalogue? It is God's way of helping us to love God and all people as God loves us - with a love that is enduring, a love that is without strings, a love that is endless.

That is why we can call the Commandments - 'Sounds of Love From Mount Sinai.!''

Fr Warrick Tonkin

Mass for the Fifth Anniversary of the Pontificate of Pope Francis—Monday, 19 Mar, 5.00pm, St Christopher's Cathedral.

Main Celebrant: His Excellency, Archbishop Adolfo Tito Yllana, Apostolic Nuncio
Homilist: Archbishop Christopher Prowse. All welcome.

Request for EMHC volunteers to the Homebound. We have an ever-growing list of parishioner's who would like to receive Holy Communion and a visit from a Eucharistic Minister. We currently only have a very small number of volunteers who kindly provide this service. If you would like to become a volunteer, please contact the Parish Office on 6239 9846. A current Working with Vulnerable People's Card is required.

- **A 50/50 raffle** is being held to support the Young's Adults Music Ministry. Buy tickets outside the Cathedral after Mass for your chance to win 50% of all ticket sales.
- **St Christopher's Cathedral Parish Sacrament of Confirmation Program, 2018** continues 6 Mar, 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, 11am.
- **First Reconciliation** Program starts 22 May
- **First Holy Communion** Program starts 31 July.

OTHER NEWS

International Women's Day—8 Mar. A new initiative to support and encourage women of all ages will be launched at Merici College. The national program was devised and is being developed by women, inspired by the words of St Catherine of Siena: "Be who God wants you to be and you will set the world on fire." Find out more at: www.catholicwomensmentoring.org.au

Amicus—11 Mar, a support group for widowed, divorced and separated Catholics, next gathering at River Bank of Queanbeyan at 12noon for lunch. Patricia: 0412 351548.

ARISE: Sisterhood Catholic Women's Conference - 16-18 Mar, The Tops Conference Centre Stanwell Tops Sydney. Do you want to go deeper in your relationship with Jesus, do you want to grow as a Catholic woman and develop friendships with other women of faith? Join women of all ages for a weekend of prayer, keynote talks, the sacraments, adoration and quality sisterhood time. Keynote speakers include; Darlene Zschech, Laura Roland, Sr Mary Rachel OP, Jonathan and Karen Doyle, Jo Hayes, Justine Cumbo, Francine Pirola and more. More Info: www.sisterhood.org.au.

3rd Public Forum of Concerned Catholics of Canberra-Goulburn, Thurs. 22 March, 7pm for 7.30pm, Australian Centre for Christianity & Culture, Barton. Francis Sullivan, CEO, Truth Justice and Healing Council, will provide an analysis of the Royal Commission's final report. We will also hear how we the laity, the people of God of this Archdiocese, might develop an effective role in our future church. (www.concernedcatholicscanberra.org)

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

Daramalan College Opening Evening —Tuesday 27 March. Tours 5.00-6.30pm. Opt info sessions for Yr 7, 2019 at 4.45pm & 7.00pm. Yr 11, 2019 Info Session at 6.00pm. Info: 62456348.

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

For Rent: One bedroom self contained Garden flat, Yaralumba. Call 62811075.

Karinya House—To support the complex work of assisting mothers and babies in crisis, Karinya House needs Friends. Friends donate at least \$5 a week and change vulnerable lives. Sign up today and share the purpose of supporting vulnerable and at risk pregnant and parenting women in our community. Every Friend makes a vital difference. All donations are fully tax deductible <https://karinyahouse.asn.au/support/friends-of-karinya/> For information phone: 6259 8998 or jo.saccasan@karinyahouse.asn.au

Volunteer with Palms Australia- Get out there and be the Church,"bruised, hurting and dirty" - Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. Palms volunteers don't do quick fixes, but **immerse themselves in overseas communities** for long-term skill exchange. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, **share them with our global family!** **Contact Christine at Palms on 02 9560 5333 or go to www.palms.org.au/volunteer/**

Catholic Voice March edition: catches up with Gowrie's Adeline Potter, who will become a Catholic at Easter. Other highlights include articles on Matthew Hutchison, the new headmaster of Marist College; and Joe Zavone, the new principal of St Edmund's College. The middle page feature article on Caroline Chisholm is sure to be of interest also.



Third Sunday of Lent—4 March 2018



Bayan, a 12 year old Syrian girl in Jordan, struggled to overcome the trauma of living in a conflict zone, facing the prospect of missing out on school. With Caritas Australia's support, Bayan is excelling in her studies with ambitions to become an ophthalmologist.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help equip young people to succeed in the future, providing just futures for others like Bayan.

A Just Future starts with your support! You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

We pray for...

Those who are ill: Sheila van Gent, 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: Anthony Tuskens, Joan Burton, Amparo C de Baez, Patrick Charles & Kerry Agnes Purcell, Annie Duffy, Edrie Mary Duffy, Ralph Martin, Muriel Robbie, Raffaele Franze, Austin Burns, May Ledger, William Lloyd, Alick Roberts, Jean Elizabeth Lennon, Catherine Semecky, Kevin Cranwell, Michael Conroy, John Hipwell, Jose Gonzales, Constance Jones

Recently Deceased: Pandeyth Thomas Mathai, Harry Savery, Maria Sanz, Joan Millard, Carlos Sullivan, Eugenia Prendergast, Anna Walter, Hon Shing Chan, 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-Williensen,

Readings of the Day – Third Sunday in Lent —Year B

First Reading

Ex 20:1-17

God spoke all these words. He said, 'I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. 'You shall have no gods except me. 'You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven or on earth beneath or in the waters under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them. For I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God and I punish the father's fault in the sons, the grandsons, and the great-grandsons of those who hate me; but I show kindness to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. 'You shall not utter the name of the Lord your God to misuse it, for the Lord will not leave unpunished the man who utters his name to misuse it. 'Remember the sabbath day and keep it holy. For six days you shall labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a sabbath for the Lord your God. You shall do no work on that day, neither you nor your son nor your daughter nor your servants, men or women, not your animals nor the stranger who lives with you. For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth and the sea and all that these hold, but on the seventh day he rested; that is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and made it sacred. 'Honour your father and your mother so that you may have a long life in the land that the Lord your God has given to you. 'You shall not kill. 'You shall not commit adultery. 'You shall not steal. 'You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. 'You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his servant, man or woman, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is his.'

Second Reading

1 Cor 1:22-25

While the Jews demand miracles and the Greeks look for wisdom, here are we preaching a crucified Christ; to the Jews an obstacle that they cannot get over, to the pagans madness, but to those who have been called, whether they are Jews or Greeks, a Christ who is the power and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Gospel Reading

Jn 2:13-25

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.' Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER				
	Lectors		Extraordinary Ministers of Eucharist	
<i>Mass</i>	<i>3/4 Mar</i>	<i>10/11 Mar</i>	<i>3/4 Mar</i>	<i>10/11 Mar</i>
6.00pm (SPC)	Scott Pobihun Cecilia Flores	Judith Blundell Geraldene Ford	Mary Debus Sue Buckingham	Any available EMHC
8.00am (SCC)	Kristina Faigl Assigned	Jessica Neubeck Liza Quinn	Mineke Peerboom	Phil Pocock Liza Quinn
9.30am (SPC)	Gloria Osborne Lynn Chan	Wanda Kaucz Jaye Longland	Colliss Parrett	Wilfred & Margaret Lawrence
11.00am (SCC)	John Austen Liz Porra	Jonathan Lee Jacqueline Hipwell	Jacqueline Hipwell Bronwen Grey	Ceciley Matthews Lionel D'Cruze
5.30pm (SCC)	YMI Equipping School Mass	Youth Mass	Elizabeth Young Lionel D'Cruze	Elizabeth Young

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