

OUR PARISH

Contact the Parish Pastoral Council through the office email.

OUR PARISH MISSION:

"All the Church, all the Gospel, all the people, all the time"

OUR PARISH VISION:

All the Church - we will **WORSHIP** with an open heart.

All the Gospel - we will celebrate the **WORD** with joy.

All the People - we will care for the **WELFARE** of all.

All the Time - we will maintain our **WORKS** with integrity.

OUR PARISH SCRIPTURE

"Refresh my heart in Christ" - Philemon 1:20b

OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT

MHoC Parish & the Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn are committed to the care, wellbeing & protection of children, young people & people at risk in our community. If you need to communicate any concerns, please contact one of our Parish Safeguarding Contacts displayed on the posters on the main church notice boards & our website.

 Our parish is supported by CCTV and S1 Security. Smile!

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH (30 Aug - 5 Sep)

Remember to turn your phones off when in the church. A prayerful silence is respectfully requested as we gather to celebrate Eucharist.

Sacred Heart Church Mass & CS Times:

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Psalter Wk 2, Yr C/1

Social Justice Sunday

Sat: 6:00pm **Mass - Confirmation Candidates**

Sun: 8.30am & 10am **Mass**

Mon: 8.30am **CS** Tue: 5.30pm **Mass**

Wed: 8.30am **Mass** Thu: 8.30am **Mass**

Fri: 8.45am Morning Prayer of the Church,
9.00am Rosary, 9.30am **Mass**
5.00pm - 6.00pm Evening Prayer & Adoration

The Pines Living, Farrer, Mass 11am held on the last Thursday of the month. Note Next date: 25 Sep.

Goodwin Village, Mass 9.30am held on the last Saturday of the month. Next date 30 Aug & 27 Sep.

RECONCILIATION (Confession):

Saturdays 11am-12pm (or by appointment).

FATIMA DEVOTIONS: Next date: Sat 6 Sep 2025

'The Five First Saturdays' Held on the 1st Saturday of the month: **Mass 9.30am**, followed by **confessions** with **benediction 10.30am**, concluding with a **Marian Movement of Priests cenacle**. See blue flyer.

BAPTISMS: Baptism information please see our website or contact the parish office.

WEDDINGS: By appointment, at least 6 months notice is essential. Phone the Office for details.

The BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

is open daylight hours each day for Adoration & quiet prayer. The chapel is not to be used while Mass is being celebrated. Please do not leave cut flowers or candles in the Chapel.



Mary Help of Christians Parish South Woden, PEARCE ACT

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For information on how to join planned giving or donate to our parish see our website: www.mhoc.org.au/planned-giving/

Our parish acknowledges & celebrates the original custodians of this sacred land & we commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.



Shepherd's Corner

This weekend our Archbishop Christopher Prowse & I will confirm 47 young parishioners.

There were 4 preparation classes, weekend Masses, retreat day & acts of service.

It is a real team effort with our Sacred Heart School, Marist, School of Region & primarily the parents. A big thanks to all involved (including Christina our Sacramental Coordinator & Melanie our Office Manager). Thank you also to our parishioners who have been praying for our candidates.

The generous & prayerful support from our parish is vital as we recognise that our youth have a lot of stress placed on them through social media, they need the gifts of the Holy Spirit even more today. May Carlo Acutis who will be canonised next Sunday 7 September pray for them.

Please see the updated notice below for our upcoming Mt Taylor Pilgrimage, we also welcome this as a **Youth** event, please join us! *God's blessing Fr Emil*



Mt Taylor Pilgrimage Rosary Walk & Mass for Our Lady of Fatima Day & Carlo Acutis Canonisation: Saturday 13 September 11am

Meet: Corner of Parkhill St & Sheehan St. Fr Emil will lead a pilgrimage walk stopping frequently to pray the rosary until the group arrives at the summit. The **Mass** will be held at 12noon & then **BYO** picnic lunch.

Please note that the walk can be strenuous & steep on sometimes very slippery surfaces. The pilgrimage is not recommended for anyone with limited fitness or mobility. If you believe you are fit enough to join us walking part way & then returning on your own you are welcome to do so.

Weather: the event will be postponed if it rains. The decision made & posted on the parish website by 3pm Friday 12 September. **Needed:** good quality walking shoes, picnic food, water, mobile (or companion with one). Minors to be supervised by parent/carer. For more info. email Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au on the day phone 0414 523 036.



Coming up in the Parish: Tuesday 2 September

♦ MenALIVE - Hall - 7-8am, Morning Men's Group

Wednesday 3 September

♦ School of Religion - Hall/Church 4pm

Thursday 4 September

♦ Friendship Group - Hall -10-12pm Scattergories

♦ Serra Club - Hall - 5.30 -7pm

Saturday 6 September

♦ Fatima Devotions - see this week in the Parish

Sun 7 Sep - World Day of Prayer for Creation

♦ Father's Day & Collection for Retired Priests

♦ Children's Liturgy during the 10am Mass

♦ Monthly Morning Teas after 8.30 & 10am Masses

Tuesday 9 September

♦ MenALIVE - Hall - 7-8am, Morning Men's Group

♦ Parish Finance Council PFC - Meet Office 6.15pm

Wednesday 10 September

♦ School of Religion - Hall/Church 4pm

Thursday 11 September

♦ Friendship Grp - Hall - 10-12pm - Movie & Snacks

♦ Council of Priests meeting - Fr Emil in attendance

Saturday 13 September

♦ Mount Taylor walk & Mass - see notice

Sunday 14 September - Safeguarding Sunday

♦ Children's Liturgy during the 10am Mass

Please remember all of our faithful departed:
Recent deceased: Ivan Jecic & William Kilpatrick
Anniversaries: Patrice Nichols, Fay Gladhill, Padrdic Finnerty & Bishop Patrick Dougherty.
We also pray for the soul of Manuel Barriera.
May they all rest in peace.



U-turn youth team visit: on Wednesday 17 Sept, a gathering for youth & young adults from around 6pm onwards. A night of fun, Christian testimonies & prayer. Held in the parish hall & church. Anyone interest to help plan this youth event please contact Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au



Reminder: Ordination to the Priesthood

Fri 5 Sep 6pm, please join us for the Ordination to the Priesthood of **Deacon Joseph Nivaskaran MGL & Deacon Michael Last MGL**. Presided over by our Most Reverend Archbishop Christopher Prowse at St Christopher's Cathedral.



ROSTERS FOR PARISH MINISTRIES For The Weekend/Sunday of 6/7 September 2025

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C/1

Commentators and Lectors

6.00pm B Gaynor & M Blackmore

8.30am M Louis & J Pearson-Lee

10am F Pelosi & S Topp

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

6.00pm A Caddy

8.30am A Wolnicki

10am J Zaide-Crombie

Acolytes:

6.00pm A Smith

8.30am G Joseph

10.00am S La Vita

Music Ministry:

6pm Volunteer please

8.30am S Fatiaki

10.00am S Taylor

Altar Servers:

Trained servers please volunteer at Mass

Church Linen September: S de Silva

Welcome Ministry:

6.00pm C Nash

8.30am P Heffernan

10.00am F Pelosi

Altar Care (September 1): V Bray

Various Positions Vacant for the Catholic Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn. 3 Parish Officer & 1 Parish Office Manager, all part time, located in Tumut, Tuggeranong, Bungendore & Gungahlin. Please see our [website](http://www.cgcatholic.org.au), News tab for details.



Family Bush Dance

Saturday 13th September, 7pm in the St Thomas School Hall, Boddington Cres., Kambah. Fundraiser for Kairos Prison Ministry. Entry \$10 for single \$25 for family. Food & drinks available for sale. Bring coins to play games. There will be a live band & lots of fun. Contact Sandy with any questions: 0421 311 626



Father's Day Appeal - Collection for our retired priests:

We have 24 retired priests in our Archdiocese who are supported financially by the Clergy Retirement Foundation. Your donations provide ongoing financial support toward their health insurance, out of pocket medical bills, accommodation & general financial assistance as needed.

Gifts over \$2 are tax deductible.

Please support our retired priests via:

•Link: www.cgcatholic.org.au/donate

•On the Qkr! App under "Special Appeals"

•By envelopes in the church & entrances

•By calling: (02) 6239 9876

•Or use the QR Code

'In old age they will still bear fruit' Psalm 92:15

Thank you for taking care of our priests in their retirement.

