

OUR PARISH

Contact Parish Pastoral Council via email:

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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 **WITNESS** His love in all we do.

OUR PARISH SCRIPTURE

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

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH CS = Communion Service

PSALTER WEEK 3

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday: CS 8.30am, Tuesday: 5.30pm

Wednesday 8.30am, Thursday 8.30am,

Friday: 9.30am; Exposition and Adoration 5.30-6.00pm

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.30am, 10.00am

Mass will be celebrated at::

-Goodwin Village on the last Saturday of the month, 9.30am

-The Pines Village on the last Friday of the month, 11am

RECONCILIATION (Confession):

1100-1200 each Saturday

BAPTISMS: 7pm on the second Tuesday of the month.

Bookings essential, please contact the Parish Office.

Baptisms are celebrated in Mass or at 11.30am on 2nd & 3rd Sundays of the month. Bookings essential.

WEDDINGS: By appointment, at least 6 months notice, please! Phone the Parish Office for details.

The **BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL** is open daylight hours each day for Adoration and quiet prayer.

Please do not leave cut flowers or candles in the Chapel.

Remembering our faithful departed

family and friends. Eternal rest grant unto Arthur Gregory and Lisa Marik (nee Sciberras) who died recently and Kathleen Johnson and Richard O'Neill whose anniversaries occur at this time. **May they rest in peace.**



Coming up in the Parish:

- **26 March** - Enrolments open for First Reconciliation Sacramental Program
- **30/31 March** - FHC Masses, 6pm & 10am



Mary Help of Christians Parish South Woden, PEARCE ACT

Parish Priest: Father Richard Thompson VF CSM ChLJ RAN Rtd

Assistant Parish Priest: Father Adrian Chan

Deacon: Matt Ransom (part time)

Youth Minister: Michael Seselja

Presbytery/Parish Office: 115 Hodgson Cres, PEARCE ACT 2607 Ph: 02 6286 1908

Parish Secretary: Megan Loughlin Office Hours: 9am – 3pm Tuesday - Friday

Sacramental Administration: Colleen Jamieson - Tuesday & Wednesdays 9am-3pm

Parish email address: wodensouth@cg.org.au WEBSITE address: www.mhoc.org.au



Our parish acknowledges and celebrates the original custodians of this sacred land, the Ngunnawal people.



Sacramental News – First Holy Communion next weekend - during the 6pm and 10am, the FHC candidates and their families will be joining us at Mass. The candidates and their families will be allocated seating in the middle aisles. Thank you for your understanding.

Lent in our Parish

3rd Sunday in Lent Theme: Courage to speak up about our belief and faith

Lenten Prayer Group - after 9.30am Friday Mass in Parish Hall

Stations of the Cross booklets - are available at the back of the Church. Please leave them in the Church after private or group devotion.

Parish led Stations of the Cross Thursday mornings after Mass.

2nd Rite of Reconciliation - 7pm, THURSDAY 11th April, Sacred Heart Church.

Parish Pastoral Council Open Meeting - Thank you to those who attended our Parish Council Open Meeting on Tuesday 19th.

From my perspective, it was very noticeable that the ethnic communities who make up our Parish are not represented in our parish leadership. We need to work on that together.

It was a constructive and informative gathering. We are working out how to get the minutes on our website. In light of Cardinal Pell's sentence, we reflected on how we as Church are feeling at present. Common themes to immerge were: "hurt, confusion and anger", "this is a seminal time in our Church", and "we must be united and supportive of each other".

Discussions on Parish initiatives involved: a maintenance schedule (painting of exterior of church), the grassed area known by some as "the paddock" and used by some as a carpark (this will come under review), possible relocation of choir and musicians to the rear of the church near the Sacristy, Work Health & Safety and Professional Standard training and to update our Parish Pastoral Plan.

It became evident that we need more volunteers to support all the Ministries in our parish.

My very personal and sincere thanks to those who offered affirmation to Fr Adrian and myself in our roles as your pastors. ~Blessings Fr Richard

Trivia Night, Thurs 11 April - Our wonderful parishioners Matt and Wendy Napier, who run 'Towards a Better World' are holding a Trivia Night. They are raising funds and awareness for community development through recycling in Namibia. Come along for a fun night. Tickets are \$30pp (tables of 8-10) and are available via email wendy@towardsabetterworld.org Please see flyer in church foyer for more information.

Project Compassion 3rd Sunday in Lent *Lives change when we all give 100%.* Our goal as a Parish & School community is to raise \$5,000 to install a solar-powered well in a rural school in Zimbabwe, which will benefit a entire community. Please give generously.

We need musicians/singers for the 8.30am & 10am Masses on Palm Sunday, 14th April. Anyone want to share their musical gifts , please see Fr Richard or Fr Adrian. Sing to the Lord!



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ROSTERS FOR PARISH MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEKEND OF 30/31 MARCH 2019

Commentators and Lectors

6.00pm (1st Rd) M. Blackmore (2nd Rd) K. McKinnon

8.30am (1st Rd) C. West (2nd Rd) M. Supple

10.00am (1st Rd) F. D'Castro (2nd Rd) R. Coggan

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

6.00pm Acolyte, A. Caddy, FHC teachers

8.30am S. West

10.00am Acolyte, J. Zaide-Crombie, B & R Usback

Acolytes: Music Ministry

6.00pm M. Fitzsimons

6.00pm School/Choir

8.30am D. Tantri

8.30am Volunteer Pls

10.00am M. Doherty

10.00am School/Choir

Altar Servers

6.00pm Simonet family, S. Pantano

8.30am Volunteers pls

10.00am Galang family

Welcome Ministry

Church Linen for MARCH

6.00pm M. Kelly, P. Verdon

Leanne Harrison

8.30am P. & F. Nichols

10.00am R. & B. Usback

Altar Care (March 25): Violet Bray

Rosary Crusade (March 24):

Quinn family, 11 Charteris Cres, Chifley Ph 6281 0805



Sacrament of First Reconciliation Year 3 and above - Enrolments open Tues 26 March

Enrolments will open 26 March on Qkr! App (both enrolment and payment in one easy Smartphone App)

or via our website at <http://www.mhoc.org.au/sacraments/reconciliation/>.

Please let any non-Catholic School families know of the Enrolment.

If you have any queries regarding the Sacrament, please contact the Parish Office.

KEY DATES: Parent Information Night - Wed 10 April, 7pm in the Church. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held Thursday 23 May at 7pm.

SAVE THE DATE: PALM SUNDAY RALLY 14 APRIL

TIME AND PLACE:- 1.00pm GAREMA PLACE CIVIC

**THEME:- ENOUGH IS ENOUGH - IN 2019 ALL OFF
MANUS AND NAURU**