

OUR PARISH

Contact Parish Pastoral Council via email: ppc.mhoc@gmail.com

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 (2 Mar - 8 Mar) Third Sunday of Lent, Psalter Week 3, Year B/2

Sacred Heart Church Mass & CS Times:
Remember to turn your phones off when in the church.

A prayerful silence is respectfully requested as we gather to celebrate Eucharist.

Sat: 6.00pm **Mass** Sun: 8.30am & 10am **Masses**
Mon: 8.30am **CS (Communion Service)**
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**,
5.30pm Evening Prayer & Adoration.

Note: There is Eucharistic Adoration held in the church from 10am to 9pm on Fridays during Lent.

The Pines Living Farrer Mass 3pm last Thu of month
Goodwin Village, Mass 9.30am last Sat of the month

RECONCILIATION (Confession):

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

FATIMA DEVOTIONS: 'The Five First Saturdays'
Held on the 1st Saturday of the month: **Mass 9am**, followed by **confessions** with **benediction 10am**, concluding with a **Marian Movement of Priests cenacle**. See blue flyer in the main foyer for info.

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.

Live Stream Mass Cathedral : Mon—Sat 12.15pm & Sun 11am: <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/>



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.



An Evening with Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP

Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP was Master of the Order of Preachers from 1992 to 2001. A member of the community at Blackfriars, Oxford, he is the author of several very popular books & an internationally reputed speaker & retreat-giver.

Hosted by Genevieve Jacobs AM;

Details: Wed 13 Mar, held at Marist College, Marr St in the Senior Hall. **Time:** 7.00-8.30pm.

For info. & to register, go to: <https://bit.ly/49h5sG3>



Shepherd's Corner

I witnessed the great hospitality of the parish on Thursday when the parish-ioners spontaneously put on lunch for the priests after the Deanery meeting. Big **thank you** to the wonderful team of cooks & planners/organisers.

I had a blessed Farewell from St Thomas More Campbell last Sun & was pleased to hear one ministry is doing well- the **St. Thomas More Forum**. The tickets are selling well for the next forum with **Greg Sheridan from The Australian newspaper & author on Christianity**, I can highly recommend to see him speaking on 20 Mar. (*Details in Bulletin*). We hold in our prayers in a special way this week the children making their first **Reconciliation** on Thur. *God's blessing, Fr Emil*

ST. THOMAS MORE FORUM

Wed 20 Mar 7.30 to 9pm, Holy Faith Hall, 30 White Cres, Campbell.

Keynote Speaker: Greg Sheridan

Foreign Editor— The Australian Newspaper
"How Christianity Triumphs in a Newly Pagan Society"
Bookings Open Now at <https://bit.ly/stmf-200324>,
forum@sthomasmore.org.au or 0416 823 447



Special Youth Group: there will be a **one off** youth group held in our Parish Hall on Sat 16 Mar, 7-8:30pm. There will be pizzas (\$5 donation), games (hand ball, table tennis etc) & input on the Catholic Faith. All high school youth welcome, parents to sign in their youth on arrival. Info contact Fr Emil 0414 523 03. Fr Emil has invited his previous Dickson youth group to come along & join. If any parent can pick up the pizzas prior pls contact Fr Emil.



Monthly Morning Teas. Please join us this weekend in the Church Hall for a hot cuppa after the 8.30am & 10am masses.

Lenten Season 2024 Year of Prayer



Stations of the Cross: After 8.30am Mass Thu's.

2nd Rite of Reconciliation - for MHoC, Nth Woden & Weston Creek **is being held at MHoC 6pm Tue 19 Mar.**

Eucharistic Adoration Fridays during Lent until 22 Mar. Thank you to our volunteers committing to 1 hour of prayer in the church 10am to 9pm.

Lenten Discussion Group

Meet in the Parish Hall after the Friday morning 9.30am mass for a relaxed chat & a cuppa. *All Welcome.*

The 2024 Lenten message

from His Holiness, Pope Francis can be sourced on our website <http://www.mhoc.org.au/news/>

Please remember all of our faithful departed:

Recent deceased: Helen Peck

Anniversaries: John Dean Taylor,
Barry Henshaw & Fr Geoffrey Lloyd.

We also pray for the souls of the Askander, Shano & Mendes families. May they all rest in peace.



menALIVE Weekend for Men.

What are you doing on the 25 & 26 of May? Could you benefit from a weekend, 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, conducted by experienced leaders from the men Alive Team. Register <https://canberracatholic.men>, see **flyer** in church. Enqu, ph/text Mat Wolnicki 0438 446 489, Fr Emil 0414 523 036, or Adam Wojtonis 0422 212 881.



Coming up in the Parish: Wednesday 6 March.

- ◆ School of Religion - 4pm - Church & Hall
 - ◆ First Reco - Session 4 & practise, Church - 6.30pm
- ### Thursday 7 March
- ◆ Friendship Group - Hall - 10am-12pm - Scattergrees
 - ◆ Celebration of First Reco (Candidates) 6.30pm
- ### Sunday 10 March
- ◆ Children's Liturgy held during the 10am Mass
 - ◆ 10am Installation Mass with Archbishop Christopher Prowse for Fr Emil Milat, followed by morning tea.
- ### Tuesday 12 March.
- ◆ PPC meeting 6pm - Church, front room.

The next date for **MHoC Adult Faith Enrichment** is Sun 17 Mar 11.30-1pm, discussing the **Eucharist**.

ROSTERS FOR PARISH MINISTRIES FOR THE SUNDAY OF 9/10 March 2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent, Year B/2

Commentators and Lectors

6.00pm M Egan-Richards & A Smith
8.30am R Langford & J Pearson-Lee
10am F D'Castro & B Layton

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

6.00pm J Grima
8.30am C West
10am S Topp

Acolytes:

6.00pm M Fizsimons
8.30am P Supple
10.00am M McAppion

Music Ministry:

6pm Volunteer please
8.30am S Fatiaki
10.00am C Walshe & D Kenny

Altar Servers:

Trained servers please volunteer at Mass
Church Linen March: M-A Kitchen

Welcome Ministry:

6.00pm M Blackmore
8.30am B Garrety
10.00am S Topp

Altar Care (March 4): V Bray



Project Compassion

Leaia lives with her 5 children, husband, brother & sister-in-law on the island of Upolu in Samoa. Not having access to a reliable source of clean water caused Leaia a lot of worry. Their home is not connected to a piped water system, so they had to rely solely on rainwater collected in old fridges. When their water ran out, Leaia had to walk with her young children to collect water in buckets & containers from a neighbour down the street. With the support of Caritas Australia's local partner, Caritas Samoa, a water tank was installed at Leaia's home. She & her family now have a steady supply of clean drinking water at home. Next year, they will also have a toilet built, with the support of Caritas Samoa, which will further improve their health & living conditions. "We are very thankful & grateful for the water tank. It has helped us so much & made our daily life easier," Leaia said.

Please donate through the Project Compassion boxes or envelopes available in the church foyer, by calling 1800 024 413, via the QR code or via our Qkr! App under **SPECIAL APPEALS** or by visiting: <https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion>



Fr Richard's farewell drinks & nibbles will be on Thu 21 Mar 5-7pm in the Sacred Heart School Hall. If you would still like to make a cash donation please pop it in an envelope marked Fr Richard Gift. You can also give via Direct Deposit, ensure you put *Fr Richard Gift* or via the Qkr! App. If you have any photo's you'd like to share, please contact the office. Bank details on our website: <http://www.mhoc.org.au/planned-giving/>

