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.

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

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH (23 Mar - 29 Mar)

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:

Palm Sunday, Psalter Week 2, Year B/2

Sat: 6.00pm **Mass**
Sun: 8.30am & 10am **Mass**
4.45pm Stations of the Cross (see Shepherd's Corner)
Mon: 8.30am **CS (Communion Service)**
Tue: 5.30pm **Mass** Wed: 8.30am **Mass**
Holy Thursday 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good Friday 10.30am Stations of the Cross at Marist
Good Friday 3pm Passion of the Lord SH Church
Saturday Easter Vigil 7.00pm; (Not 6pm)
Easter Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am **Masses**
The Pines Living Farrer **Mass** 3pm last Thu of month
Note date change for March is Wed 27th at 3pm.
Goodwin Village, **Mass** 9.30am last Sat of the month
Note date change for March is Sat 23rd.

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

Parish Priest: Father Emil Milat

Parish Office: 115 Hodgson Cres, PEARCE ACT 2607 *Ph*: 02 6286 1908
Office Manager: Melanie Kerr *Office Hours: 9am – 3pm Tuesday - Friday;*
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Sacramental Programmes: Christina Erwin - wodensouth.sacraments@cg.org.au
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.

CHRISM MASS – Mon 25 Mar - 5pm
Join the Archbishop & Clergy at St Christopher's, Manuka where the **Holy Oils** used in the various Sacramental Rites of the Church are blessed & consecrated. *All welcome*.

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 menAlive Team. Register with QR Code or 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.

Thank you to our wonderful Parish!
Below are your February Financial Contributions:
Parish: Planned giving/Loose/TAP - $5828.10
Parish: Planned giving C/C, DD, Qkr - $8438.00
Clergy - 1st Coll giving/Credit Card - $4554.85

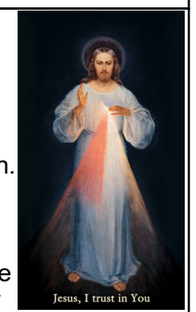
Please remember all of our faithful departed:
Anniversaries: *Richard David O'Neill, Kathleen Johnson & Fr Morgan O'Connor.*
We also pray for the souls of the Mendes family.
May they all rest in peace.

Project Compassion ends at Easter 31 March. **Please start brining your boxes & envelopes back from Holy Thursday by bringing them up during the offertory procession & place them in the basket in front of the altar.**
You can also donate the money raised directly to https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion ph.1800 024 413, scan the QR code or via our Qkr! App under ACG Special Appeals.
Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present & future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today & build a better tomorrow. ***For All Future Generations.***

Marriage Preparation Course, 9 April 5-9pm plus a private session at CatholicCare. *SmartLoving* – online, 9 lessons, Info & register: www.marriagefamily.org.au
Enqu: Helena: 0405 440 463

Shepherd's Corner
I am looking forward to my first **Holy Week** in the parish, it is always such a graced time.
If you feel like you have not made the most of Lent, there will be a **special *Stations of the Cross* in the church this Sun 24 Mar at 4:45pm** with the *Risen Lord Community,* all welcome.
There is also the **Chrism Mass** at the Cathedral 5pm on Monday.
We still need a few readers volunteers for the Easter ceremonies- if anyone can help by checking the sign-up sheet at back of the Church.
We had a moving Vigil and Requiem Mass for Emeritus Archbishop Francis Carroll last week, he will be a very special intercessor for our Archdiocese this Holy Week from eternity.
Finally, it was great to break the ice with a combined youth group with St Brigid's & our local youth in our parish hall last Saturday with about 14 youth- it was a great night. *God's blessing Fr Emil*

Divine Mercy Novena:
Good Friday (29/3) to Sunday 7/4.
Divine Mercy Sunday & the Divine Mercy image were given to us by Jesus through St Faustina & completes the Sacred Heart Devotion. It is very important because St John Paul II revealed these are the times of God's Divine Mercy.
It was made more evident when Pope Francis announced the extraordinary "Jubilee Year of Divine Mercy" in 2016.



We will hold the Divine Mercy Holy Hour, with Benediction, at Sacred Heart Church from 2pm-3pm on Sunday 7th April.
Pamphlets will be in the pews on Good Friday in the coming week for those who would like to take part or find out more about Divine Mercy.

My dear friends at MHoC, thank you so much for your generosity & kindness for my farewell. The words spoken & written are so much appreciated & will stay with me for many years to come. The energy & spirit in the function put together by so many sums up my closeness to you all as we walk together towards Easter.
Thank you from my deepest heart. Fr Richard.

ROSTERS FOR PARISH MINISTRIES

28 MARCH HOLY THURSDAY 7pm

Commentators and Lectors G Joseph & B Layton
EoM of the Eucharist J Coyte & R Usback
Acolyte P Collins
Music Ministry M McKenna
Altar Servers A Farrugia-Borg & **3** trained servers **please volunteer** at Mass

29 MARCH GOOD FRIDAY 3pm

Commentators and Lectors G Joseph & C Tantri
St John's Passion: Chris Mesiku
Others: J Wilson & S Topp
Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist A Smith
Acolyte S La Vita
Music Ministry D Kenny
Altar Servers **2** trained servers **please volunteer** at Mass, thank you.

30/31 MARCH EASTER WEEKEND

Easter Vigil 7pm
Commentators and Lectors
7.00pm J Wilson, S Topp, M Fisher, C Mesiku
8.30am M Supple & **Volunteer please**
10.00am B & R Usback
Acolytes & Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
7.00pm G Selleck & M Doherty
8.30am P Supple & J Coyte
10.00am G Selleck & S Topp
Music Ministry
7.00pm H Palafox
8.30am K Fatiaki
10.00am **Volunteer please**
Altar Servers
7.00pm A Farrugia-Borg & **5** trained servers **please volunteer** at Mass
8.30am **Please volunteer** at Mass
10am **Please volunteer** at Mass
Church Linen March: M-A Kitchen
Welcome Ministry:
7.00pm E Neal
8.30am F Nichols
10.00am J & B Wilson
Altar Care (March 25): V Pembrey

Coming up in the Parish:
Palm Sunday 24 March - Passion of the Lord
- Children's Liturgy held during the 10am Mass
- **MHOC Adult Faith Enrichment** - Hall, 11.30-1pm, Structure of the Mass, presented by Fr Emil.

Tuesday 26 March.
- PFC Meeting 6.15pm - Parish Office

Wednesday 28 March.
- School of Religion - 4pm - Church & Hall
- First Holy Communion, Session 3 - Church - 6.30pm
- **Note Wed 3 Apr** Session 4 & Practise session, followed by First Holy Communion masses on the weekend of **6/7 April**.

Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper 28 March
- Friendship Group - 10am Hall - Hot Cross Buns

Note:
A reminder to leave parking at the church for limited mobility parishioners during weekend mass times.