

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 (24 Aug– 30 Aug)

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:

**Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Psalter Week 1, Year B/2**

Sat: 5.35pm Rosary, 6:00pm **Mass**
Sun: 8.30am & 10am **Mass Social Justice Sunday**
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**,
5.30pm Evening Prayer & Adoration
6.00pm **Mass** - Confirmation Candidates

The Pines Living, Farrer, Mass 11am held on the last Thursday of the month. *Next date: 29 Aug.*

Goodwin Village, Mass 9.30am held on the last Saturday of the month. *Next date 31 Aug*

RECONCILIATION (Confession):

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

FATIMA DEVOTIONS: Next date: Sat 7 September

'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

At last week's Parish Pastoral Council meeting we spoke about the planning for the upcoming parish "round table". This is to prepare for the *Archdiocese Assembly* on 18 & 19 October.

The Archdiocese has been hosting several of these to give opportunities for people to experience the new form of *Conversations in the Spirit* that Pope Francis has been promoting as a keystone of his Pontificate, as evidenced in the two part *Synod on Sodality* in Rome. **Save the date:** All are invited to experience this on the parish level. We will be holding the session on **Sun 22 Sep. 5:30-6:30pm in the Parish Hall.** We will have a cuppa &/or wine & cheese. The topic will start on our parish mission statement, but we will see where the Spirit leads! I will **postpone the Isaac Ridge Mass walk** proposed on 21st Sept to later this year. On other parish matters if anyone could donate flowers from their garden, or would like to donate for this purpose, that would be appreciated by the kind volunteers who decorate the altar each week. Finally, a nice lady in Farrer has contacted me about a **lift to Mass** (prefers the 10am)- if interested please contact me 0414 523 036. *God's Blessings Fr Emil*



Bus Trip Pilgrimage! The Friendship Group along with Fr Emil are heading to Penrose Park, to the Pauline Monastery to see the Shrine of Our Lady of Mercy.

Along the way Fr Emil will be praying the Rosary & saying Mass at the Monastery.

Wed 18 Sep, depart 7.30am on Murphy St (behind the school/church) return approximately 5pm. Cost \$45, includes bus fare & sandwiches for lunch. Breakfast at Trappers in Goulburn at your own expense. Bookings filling up quickly. **RSVP by 12 Sep to Faye 0451 683 099.**

Please remember all of our faithful departed: Anniversaries:

*Frederick John Joshua Wilkins,
Mervyn Charles Crane, Fr Michael O'Sullivan &
Bishop Patrick Dougherty.
We also pray for the soul of Manuel Barriera.
May they all rest in peace.*



Father's Day Appeal - Collection for our retired

priests: We have 25 retired priests in our Archdiocese.

Your donations provide accommodation, financial assistance & health care.

Gifts over \$2 are tax deductible.

Please support our retired priests, donation via:

- Link: www.cgatholic.org.au/donate
- On the Qkr! App under "Special Appeals"
- By envelopes in the church,
- 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.



Confirmation Candidate Morning tea

This weekend, **Sunday 25 August** some of our Confirmation families will be hosting a morning tea **after the 10am Mass** as part of their Acts of Service. They welcome all to join in for a cuppa & a chinwag! You are welcome to bring a plate to share but not essential. Please stay home if unwell.



"Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible" all welcome to join our Bible Study

Group. This initiative is being run by Fr Emil & the **Faith Enrichment Group.** The third session is being held on **Sun 8 September** after the **10am mass.**



The group are using the Ascension Press "**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible**" study program. It is carried out over 8 sessions with presenter Jeff Cavins & includes videos, a workbook & small group discussion. The study explores all twelve time periods of the Bible timeline providing an easy way to understand it & the Father's unfailing love for us.

Online access to the videos is available to keep you up to date if you can't make a session. Please join us! Please contact *Fr Emil* via the Parish office, or emil.milat@cg.org.au. Future Dates for your diary: 22 Sep, 13, 27 Oct, 10 Nov, (24 Nov TBC).

25 August - Social Justice Sunday: 'Truth & Peace, A Gospel Word in a Violent World'.

You can read the article in CathNews & download the **Social Justice Statement.** via <https://bit.ly/sjs-ojep> or via the QR Code.



ROSTERS FOR PARISH MINISTRIES

FOR THE SUNDAY OF 31 Aug / 1 Sep 2024

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B/2

Commentators and Lectors

6.00pm Confirmation Candidates & M Blackmore & S Peak details TBA

8.30am M Tsen & C West

10am S Topp & F Pelosi

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

6.00pm A Pantano

8.30am S West

10am R Usback

Acolytes:

6.00pm M Fitzsimons

8.30am P Collins

10.00am G Selleck

Music Ministry:

6pm D Fitzsimons

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 P Heffernan

8.30am R & F Armstrong

10.00am S Topp

Altar Care (Aug 26): C Donohoe

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

Coming up in the Parish:

Tuesday 27 August

- ♦ menALIVE - Hall - 7am - Breakfast meet up

Wednesday 28 August

- ♦ School of Religion - 4pm Church & Hall
- ♦ Confirmation - Session 4 & Practise - Church - 6.30pm

Thursday 29 August

- ♦ Friendship Grp - Hall-10-12pm -Memory Card Game

Friday 30 August

- ♦ Confirmation Retreat Day for Candidates
- ♦ Confirmation Candidates **Mass** 6pm

Saturday 31 August

- ♦ Confirmation Candidates **Mass** 6pm
- Sunday 1 Sep - World Day of Prayer for Creation**
- ♦ Children's Liturgy - held during the 10am Mass
- ♦ Father's Day & Retired Clergy Appeal.
- ♦ Monthly Morning Tea after the 8.30 & 10am Masses

The latest **Parish Pastoral Council** meeting minutes are available on our website: <http://www.mhoc.org.au/news/>. A hard copy is also available on the back table of the church in the yellow folder. Thank you.



CatholicPsych Institute
Mental Health Crisis
Response Training

PREPARED
Mental Health Crisis Response Training

21 Sep, 9am-5pm.
Join Dr Greg Bottaro from

New York for an exclusive training event, tailored for educators, campus ministers, parish & diocesan staff, parents & priests, addressing the urgent need to respond to the growing mental health crisis. Learn to identify & address mental distress through a Catholic lens. Register at www.trybooking.com/CULHL