

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 (7 Sep– 13 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:
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Psalter Week 3, Year B/2
Sat: 5.35pm Rosary, 6:00pm **Mass**
Sun: 8.30am & 10am **Mass** **Safeguarding 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

The Pines Living, Farrer, Mass 11am held on the last Thursday of the month. **Note Next date: 19 Sep.**
Goodwin Village, Mass 9.30am held on the last Saturday of the month. **Next date 28 Sep.**

RECONCILIATION (Confession): (Not avail 14 Sep) **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.



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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 Sunday is **Safeguarding Sunday**, we focus on promoting all the initiatives the Catholic Church is making for it to be the safest possible place for children - after the recommendations of the Royal Commission. It has a very apt theme- *every conversation we have on keeping children safe is helpful*. The link with more info. is in bulletin. On another note: I love this time of year because the new life of spring also emerges spiritually. It coincides with the Jewish Harvest feast of & Tabernacles or Booths, & this is always mirrored in the Catholic Church as the new Israel. It is a great time to go on a retreat or extended prayer experience. Keep an eye out for things in the Bulletin that might draw you like the Penrose bus trip hosted by the Friendship Group or the bible study- which this week is on the Patriarchs. *God's Blessings Fr Emil*

Coming up in the Parish:
Saturday 7 September
♦ Fatima Devotions - see in This Week in the Parish
Sunday 8 September - Safeguarding Sunday
♦ Children's Liturgy - held during the 10am Mass
♦ Faith Enrichment Bible Study Group - Hall 11.30am
Tuesday 10 September
♦ menALIVE - Hall - 7am - Breakfast meet up
Wednesday 11 September
♦ School of Religion - 4pm Church & Hall
Thursday 12 September
♦ Friendship Group - Hall-10-12pm - Rosary Beads
Please note that Fr Emil is away on Retreat from Sat 14 Sep & will return to say Mass on Tue 17 Sep.

Safeguarding Sunday 8 Sep. *"Every conversation matters"*
Our Parish & Diocese are committed to the care, wellbeing & protection of children, young people & people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work to create safe spaces where we can have meaningful conversations with children & adults at risk about their safety. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: <https://www.catholic.au/s/article/Safeguarding-Sunday-2024>
If you need to communicate any concerns in our Parish please contact Fr Emil, the Parish Office or one of our Safeguarding contacts displayed on the posters on the main church notice boards & our website.
Code of Conduct: Also a reminder all are welcome to read & sign a code of conduct to support the effort to keep everyone safe in our community. There are copies on the back table, website or in the office. All volunteers should have a current signed form (they expire every 3 years).



Living in the Divine Will Retreat:
at St Clement's Conference Centre Galong NSW. Lead by Frs Hugh Thomas CSSR & Emil Milat. Fri 5pm 13 Sep to after lunch Sun 15 Sep. The talks focus on how various saints & mystics draw us to live in the Holiness of God. For more info. contact Fr Emil on emil.milat@cg.org.au

Parish "round table": hosted by the **PPC**. This is to prepare for the Archdiocese Assembly on 18 & 19 Oct. 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. All are invited to experience this on the parish level. Meet from **5pm for 5:30-6:30pm** on **Sunday 22 September** in the Parish Hall. Please claim the date



Eucharistic Miracle
Please join us in the Parish Hall on Sat 21 Sep 3-4.30pm with Ron Tesoriero author of *My Human Heart - Where Science & Faith Collide*, as he discusses **Buenos Aires 1996**.

The August **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.

SAVE THE DATE Sacred Heart Primary School's Twilight Fair is being held on Friday 8 November, 2024 3:30-7:30pm. With rides, food, craft, clothes & raffles to name a few. More details to come on how you can be involved.



CatholicPsych Institute Mental Health Crisis Response Training 21 Sep, 9am-5pm.
Join Dr Greg Bottaro from New York, addressing the urgent need to the growing mental health crisis. Learn to identify & address mental distress through a Catholic lens. Register at www.trybooking.com/CULHL



ROSTERS FOR PARISH MINISTRIES FOR THE SUNDAY OF 14/15 September 2024
Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B/2
Commentators and Lectors
6.00pm D O'Brien & C Paragalli
8.30am G Joseph & M Mugliston
10am J Allen & P Bewley
Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
6.00pm A Caddy
8.30am P Collins
10am F D'Castro
Acolytes:
6.00pm C Patron
8.30am P Supple
10.00am G Selleck
Music Ministry:
6pm Volunteer please
8.30am S Fatiaki
10.00am H Palafox
Altar Servers: Trained servers please volunteer at Mass
Church Linen (September): S de Silva
Welcome Ministry:
6.00pm M Blackmore
8.30am P Heffernan
10.00am R & B Usback
Altar Care (Sep 9): S Topp
Note: A reminder to leave parking at the church for limited mobility parishioners during weekend mass..

Please remember all of our faithful departed:
Recent deceased:
Leslie Manning & Jack Gregory.
Anniversaries:
Joshua Wilkins, Gerard Hurley & Fr Gordon Kerr.
We also pray for the victims of the World Trade Fair atrocity (2001).
May they all rest in peace.



Vocations Dinner at Pearce Presbytery
Thursday 12 September 6pm
Evening Prayer & then dinner. For men interested in discerning a call to the Priesthood. A hearty meal provided with insightful discussions & prayer. To RSVP please contact Vocations Director Fr Emil 0414 523 036 emil.milat@cg.org.au.



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.

