

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 (11-17 Jan 2025)

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:

Baptism Of The Lord Psalter Week 1, Year C/1

Sat: 5.35pm Rosary, 6:00pm **Mass**

Sun: 8.30am & 10am **Mass**

Mon: 8.30am **CS** Tue: 5.30pm **CS**

Wed: 8.30am **CS** Thu: 8.30am **CS**

Fri: 8.45am Morning Prayer of the Church,
9.00am Rosary, 9.30am **Mass**

5pm - 6pm Evening Prayer & Adoration

The Pines Living, Farrer, Mass 11am held on the last Thursday of the month. **Note Next date: 30 Jan.**

Goodwin Village, Mass 9.30am held on the last Saturday of the month. **Next date 25 Jan.**

RECONCILIATION (Confession):

No Reconciliation Sat 11 Jan, Offered at St Christopher's Cathedral, Manuka 11-12pm, usually held **Saturdays 11am-12pm** (or by appointment)

FATIMA DEVOTIONS: Next date: Sat 1 Feb 2025

'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

It has been good to get away for a few weeks leave at the Coast. Before I left I wrote a prayer for the New Year which is a Jubilee year- copies are in church foyer. The Holy Door is open & we have four pilgrimage places to

gain the grace of the Jubilee, see the Catholic [Voice](#) or Archdiocese Website for more info. The prayer I wrote is a compilation from the scriptures & the Pope's Bull of declaration starting the Jubilee year. I hope it explains a bit more about it as a *once in a lifetime* opportunity.

God's blessing Fr Emil

Reminder: How your generosity is used in the Parish: Weekend Collections

During mass we have two collections. The **First Collection** occurs after the Homily & goes to supporting the priests of the Archdiocese. The **Second Collection** is at offertory time & supports the running costs of our church.

Please place any Mass Intentions, Planned Giving envelopes, Special Appeals etc...in the second collection or at anytime as long as your envelope is labelled.

You are still able to use/download the Qkr! App & donate to our church or the clergy or any appeals that are happening.

Please contact the Parish Office or download forms from the parish website www.mhoc.org.au to set up Direct Debit or monthly Credit Card deduction for one or both collections - hard copies are also available in the church entry.

Thank you for your generous support.



This weekend we welcome
Fr Warrick Tonkin & Fr Bernie Patterson
celebrating Mass with us while
Fr Emil is on leave.

The Chamber Philharmonia Cologne Concert
(German) Orchestra will be performing at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church in Eden, NSW, on Monday 20 January, 2025, at 8pm.
Bookings at www.trybooking.com/CXAQN



2025 Sacramental Programs

Reconciliation & First Holy Communion

Sacramental Program enrolments are open & close 5 Feb 2025. The program/s start Wed 12 Feb, 6.30pm in our church. Enrolments are open to children baptised Catholic in Year 4 & above. See the MHOc website for details: <http://www.mhoc.org.au/sacraments/first-holy-communion/>

Save the date: the *Confirmation* Sacramental Program is for students in Year 6 & above. Enrolments open 25 Jun 2025 & the program will begin on 30 Jul. Details:

<http://www.mhoc.org.au/sacraments/confirmation/>



School of Religion Enrolments are open for Term 1, 2025 (Yrs 1-6) for children attending Non-Catholic Schools. Next year we welcome

back our Catechists: *Gabriel Joseph, Chris Rule & Coleen Nash. A big thank you to you all!* Enrolments are open & the first session will be Wed 12 Feb from 4-5pm in the Hall & Church. Please see our website for more program information & for details on how to enrol via Qkr!

<http://www.mhoc.org.au/ministries/school-of-religion/>

Children's Liturgy



Children's' Liturgy Volunteer/s Role
We are seeking a Volunteer/s to run the very popular Children's Liturgy on Sunday's during the 10am mass (school terms). We have many regular volunteers who assist so you would have great support. **We currently have 2 people who have volunteered for 1-2 weeks per month.** Please contact the office to find out more & how you can be involved in this fun & valuable faith formation for our children.



Thank you to all who have helped with the Christmas liturgies & in Fr Emil's absence. We would also like to thank all volunteers for their amazing support throughout the year! It's so wonderful to have the Parish so

well looked after whether it's maintaining the flowers, linen, altar, church, cook meals, clean the brass, write rosters, coordinate events, look after visiting priests, lock up & opening of the church, we could go on! *Let us continue to walk together, ever closer with Our Lord.*

ROSTERS FOR PARISH MINISTRIES FOR THE SUNDAY OF 18/19 January 2025

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C/1

Commentators and Lectors

Lector January Volunteer Sheet in Main Entrance

6.00pm M Blackmore & Volunteer please

8.30am M Louis & Volunteer please

10am F Pelosi & Volunteer please

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

EoM January Volunteer Sheet in Main Entrance

6.00pm Volunteer please

8.30am V Pembrey

10am Volunteer please

Acolytes:

6.00pm S La Vita

8.30am P Collins

10.00am G Selleck

Music Ministry:

6pm Volunteer please

8.30am S Fatiaki

10.00am Volunteer please

Altar Servers: Trained servers please volunteer at Mass
Church Linen (January): P Cullen

Welcome Ministry:

6.00pm P Verdon

8.30am F Nichols

10.00am R & B Usback

Altar Care (Jan 13): V Pembrey

Please remember all of our faithful departed:

Recent deceased: Sr Dawn Carey,

Michael Hynes & Lorna Henshaw.

Anniversaries: John Ambrose McKeown,
Zacharia McMahon, Gordon Robinson,
Rustam Tantri, Juliana Campos,
May they all rest in peace.



Coming up in the Parish: Wednesday 15 January

♦ Mary MacKillop's Birthday

Friday 24 January

♦ Jesus Youth Group 7-9pm - Church including Mass.

Friday 31 January

♦ **Mass** held at 8.30am NOT 9.30am.

Marist Staff in attendance.

Sunday 2 February

♦ The Presentation of the Lord,
World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life.

♦ Parish Monthly Morning Teas after 8.30 & 10am Mass.

Parish Office closed: Tue 14, 21, 28 & Fri 24 Jan & resumes regular office hours from Wed 29 January.

Please note Fr Emil will be on leave Thursday 2 Jan to Friday 17 January. Please phone the office & leave a message if your matter is urgent.

Please hand any **mass intentions** directly to the priest.

Part-time permanent Parish Secretary –**North Woden.**
Mon 9 - 3.30pm, Wed 9 - 4.30pm & Fri 9 - 3.30pm.

Details: Parish Office: woden.north@cg.org.au

Part-time Parish Secretary - **Inner North** 30 hours p/w

Details: Parish Office: innernorth@cg.org.au

Part-time permanent Parish Secretary - **Bungendore.**

10 hours p/w. Details: bungendore@cg.org.au

All positions subject to Clerks Award.