

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 (17-23 May)
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:

Fifth Sunday of Easter 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: 29 May.
Goodwin Village, Mass 9.30am held on the last Saturday of the month. Next date 31 May.

RECONCILIATION (Confession):
Saturdays 11am-12pm (or by appointment)
FATIMA DEVOTIONS: Next date: Sat 7 Jun 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
In June/July many rosters will be updated including for **Readers & Eucharistic Ministers**. We are in need of new volunteers & in particular **Lectors for the 6pm Vigil Mass as well as Eucharistic ministers**. Expected times usually monthly or longer depending on the amount of volunteers. If you have a reading gift or a special love for the Blessed Sacrament, please volunteer & put your name on the contact sheet in the foyer. I will provide all training & will stay back after Mass to answer any questions & to talk more about our ministries in general. During our **Monthly Morning teas** scheduled for 1 June we will be taking the opportunity to Welcome any New Parishioners. Please see the notice below. *A final note:* I will be attending the annual clergy assembly in **Galong** this week, so a Communion Service will be offered with Mass on Friday as usual. *Please keep us in your prayers.*
God's blessings, Fr Emil



Monthly Morning Teas & New Parishioner Welcome Sun 1 June. Our Parish would like to take this opportunity to welcome new parishioners who have moved into the local area. Please come along for a cuppa after the 10am Mass. Please pop your name on the sign up sheet in the main foyer.

Parish Pastoral Council Open Meeting
If you are thinking about joining the Parish Pastoral Council (or someone nominated you!) you are invited to attend the PPC upcoming **Open Meeting on Thursday 22 May 6.15pm, Church Front Room** For more info please contact Fr Emil 0414 523 036 or Anna Hayes through the Parish Office.



Enrolments at Sacred Heart Primary School will close on Friday 30 May. Information can be found on their website: <https://sacredhps.act.edu.au/>. An **Open Day** for interested families will be held on Wednesday 21 May; 9 - 11am & 4 - 6pm.



Our Parish Welcomes
Archie & Oscar Riddell through the sacrament of Baptism this weekend. May they be richly blessed with God's presence & feel the support of our Parish & their family.

13-16 June | Living in the Divine Will in ordinary life in union with the Church
At St Clement's Retreat & Conference Centre, Galong NSW. Commences on 13 Jun with Mass at 5pm. Speakers: Fr Hugh, Fr Emil and Fr Marco Killingsworth. For more information, see the flyer in the foyer of the church. To book contact Galong by phone on 6380 5222 or via email: info@stclement.com.au.



24 May | Feast Day of Our Lady Help of Christians Pilgrimage Place
MHoC Parish South Woden becomes an official pilgrimage place for the Jubilee year on May 24, the Feast Day of Our Lady Help of Christians. To celebrate Fr Emil will give a special blessing & anointing prayer after the Saturday & Sunday Masses & two events have been planned for the weekend, *see details below:*

24 May | menALIVE Recharge
In recognition of the Jubilee Year menALIVE invite you to recharge on **Sat 24 May, 1.30-5.30pm** in the Parish Hall, followed by Rosary & joining the **6pm Vigil Mass** at MHoC Parish, Pearce. Shared meal after Mass. Let's reinforce & continue the learnings of last year's weekend; contact Mat at 0438 446 489 or speak with Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au. menALIVE website: <https://menalive.org.au/>



25 May | Clare de Salis Talk
After the 10am Mass, Clare de Salis will speak in the Parish Hall. She will talk about being a Catholic, 24 years old, an athlete (100 & 200 metre runner) & an exercise physiologist. All ages are very welcome to come and join us in the parish hall for a cuppa and Clare's sharing of the inspiring power of Christ in her life.

St Jude's 50th Anniversary Celebrations
You are invited to celebrate 50 years of education at St Jude's, Holder. **Monday 19 May at 9.30am. Mass** will be celebrated at St Jude's church, 49 Mulley St, Holder followed by morning tea. Queries to: stjudes50years@gmail.com or phone 62887688.



ROSTERS FOR PARISH MINISTRIES
For The Weekend/Sunday of 24/25 May 2025
Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year C/1

Commentators and Lectors
6.00pm M Egan-Richards & B Gaynor
8.30am P Supple & C West
10am J Allen & R Coggin

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist
6.00pm A Caddy
8.30am E Tsen
10am F D'Castro

Acolytes:
6.00pm S La Vita
8.30am G Joseph
10.00am G Selleck

Music Ministry:
6pm Volunteer please
8.30am S Fatiaki
10.00am M McKenna

Altar Servers:
Trained servers please volunteer at Mass
Church Linen May: V Pembrey

Welcome Ministry:
6.00pm C Nash
8.30am F Nichols
10.00am R & B Usback
Altar Care (May 19): V Bray



The Parishes Edition:
Winter 2025
magazine is available to pick up at one of the church entrances.

Coming up in the Parish: Mon 19 to Thu 22 May
Fr Emil will be at the Clergy Assembly in Galong.

Tuesday 20 May
♦ MenALIVE - Hall - 7-8am, Morning Men's Group

Wednesday 21 May
♦ School of Religion - 4pm - Hall/Church

Thursday 22 May
♦ Friendship Group - Hall - 10-12pm,
Guest speaker on Driving Safely for the Elderly

Saturday 24 May
♦ MenALIVE - 1.30-5.30pm & 6pm Mass (see notice)

Sunday 25 May
♦ Children's Liturgy during the 10am Mass
♦ Clare de Salis talk in Parish Hall after 10am Mass

Please remember all of our faithful departed:
Recently Deceased: Andy Lofthouse & Raymond Saunders
Anniversaries: Janina Bielecki, Fr Peter Treacy & Fr Henry Finnegan.
May they all rest in peace.





For more information contact: giving@cg.org.au

The 2025 Good Shepherd Appeal is an opportunity for spiritual and financial generosity to support our six dedicated seminarians (three new seminarians & three who are continuing their journeys) as they progress towards the priesthood. To give a (non -deductible) gift, call **6239 9876**, [donate](#) via **Qkr!**, scan the **QR code** or fill in one of the **flyers** available in the entrances to the church. Envelopes are also available on the pews. Please pray for increased vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood.

