



**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CALENDAR
- YEAR A – 2026**

PARISH THEME: WORSHIP; WORD; WELFARE and WORKS

JANUARY	Thurs 1 st	Feast of Mary, the Holy Mother of God World Day of Peace
	Sun 4 th	The Epiphany of the Lord
	Wed 7 th	Office opens for the new year
	Sun 11 th	The Baptism of the Lord
	Thurs 15 th	Mary MacKillop's Birthday
	Mon 26 th	Australia Day
	Thurs 29 th	Term 1 begins – Teachers only
	Fri 30 th	New students start school. Continuing students start on Monday 1 Feb. Marist College Staff Mass at MHOc Parish 8.30am
FEBRUARY	Sun 1 st	Word of God Sunday (1 st Sunday in February)
	Mon 2 nd	The Presentation of the Lord World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life Term 1 begins – public school students & new Marist students
	Tues 3 rd	Parish Finance Council Budget Meeting – Parish Office 6.15pm Term 1 begins – all continuing students - Marist
	Wed 4 th	Enrolments close for Reco & FHC
	Thu 5 th	Friendship Group re-commences, Hall, 10am-12pm
	Wed 11 th	World Day of Prayer for the Sick First Reconciliation/FHC Parent Information Evening 6.30 pm School of Religion recommences – 4pm Hall & Church
	Fri 13 th	Sacred Heart School Opening Mass 9.30
	Sat 14 th	6 pm Presentation mass for both First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Candidates.
	Sun 15 th	PROJECT COMPASSION begins 8.30am and 10am Presentation masses for both First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion candidates
	Wed 18 th	ASH WEDNESDAY – 7.30 am, 9.30 am & 5.30 pm masses Start of Lent First Reconciliation Sessions 1&2 – 6.30 pm Church
	Thu 19 th	Deanery meeting
	Sun 22 nd	First Sunday of Lent Rite of the Elect, St Christopher's Cathedral, 10am, 11am Mass
	Wed 25 th	First Reconciliation Session 3&4 & Practice – 6.30 pm
	Thurs 26 th	Marist Commencement Mass (at College) 9am - TBC

MARCH	Wed 4 th	Celebration of First Reconciliation 6.30 pm
	Wed 11 th	First Holy Communion Session 1
	Thurs 12 th	Council of Priests meeting – Archbishop’s house 9am – 5pm
	Tues 17 th	St Patrick’s Day
	Wed 18 th	First Holy Communion Sessions 2 & 3 – 6.30 pm
	Thu 19 th	St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	Sat 21 st	Harmony Day – Harmony Week 16-22 March
	Wed 25 th	The Annunciation of the Lord First Holy Communion Session 4 & Practice 6.30
	Sat 28 th	6pm First Holy Communion Mass
	Sun 29 th	PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD Holy Week begins 8.30 am and 10 am First Holy Communion Masses
	Mon 30 th	CHRISM MASS, St Christopher’s Cathedral – Time TBA
APRIL	Thu 2 nd	THURSDAY OF THE LORD’S SUPPER – 7pm Mass Public schools term 1 ends.
	Fri 3 rd	FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD 3 pm Held at Marist: Stations of the Cross - 10:00am
	Sat 4 th	HOLY SATURDAY – Easter Vigil Mass – 6 pm
	Sun 5 th	EASTER SUNDAY, of the Resurrection of the Lord
	TBA	PFC Meeting – Parish Office, 6.15pm
	Sun 19 th	Multicultural Mass, 11 am, St Christopher’s Cathedral
	Mon 20 th	Term 2 begins – Teachers only. All students start Tues 21 st .
	Sat 25 th	ANZAC Day – 6pm Vigil Mass
	Sun 26 th	Good shepherd Sunday – Seminarian Appeal TBC World Day of Prayer for Vocations
MAY	Fri 8 th	<i>Anniversary of the election of Pope Leo 2025</i>
	Sun 10 th	Mother’s Day
	Tues 19 th	<i>Episcopal ordination of Most Rev. Christopher Prowse, 2003</i>
	Mon 18–21 st	Clergy Assembly, St Clement’s Retreat and Conference Centre
	Sun 17 th	The ASCENSION OF THE LORD 60th World Communications Day (theme: Preserving human voices and faces) Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 17-24 May
	Sun 24 th	PENTECOST SUNDAY
	Mon 25 th	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church Our Lady Help of Christians , Patroness of Aust, our Archdiocese, our parish & Military Ordinariate (Diocese) of Aust.
	Sun 31 st	The Most Holy TRINITY

JUNE	Thu 4 th	Deanery meeting
	Fri 5 th	St Marcellin Champagnat Day (Marist celebrations) - TBC
	Sun 7 th	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)
	Fri 12 th	The Most SACRED HEART of JESUS
	Sat 13 th	The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	Thu 18 th	Council of Priests meeting – Archbishop’s house 9am – 5pm
	Wed 24 th	Confirmation enrolments open on Qkr!
	Tues 30 th	Fr Emil Milat’s 25 th Ordination date (2000)
JULY	TBA	PFC Meeting – Parish Office, 6.15pm
	Fri 3 rd	Public schools Term 2 ends
	Sun 5 th	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday Commencement of NAIDOC week – 1 st Sun in July (Sun to Sun)) 5-12 July 2026
	Mon 20 th	Public schools Term 3 starts (teachers) Students back 21 st Jul
	Wed 22 nd	Confirmation program enrolment closes
	Sun 26 th	World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
	Wed 29 th	Confirmation Parent Information Night 6.30pm
AUGUST	Sat 1 st	6pm Mass – Presentation of Confirmation Candidates
	Sun 2 nd	Vocations Awareness Week 2 to 9 August 8.30 & 10am Masses – Presentation of Confirmation Candidates
	Wed 5 th	Confirmation Session 1, 6.30pm
	Thurs 6 th	The Transfiguration of the Lord
	Sat 8 th	Feast of St Mary of the Cross Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage. Coastal Deanery, Eden (Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross) Details TBA
	Wed 12 th	Confirmation Session 2, 6.30 pm
	Sat 15 th	The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Mass 9.30 am, 6pm
	Wed 19 th	Confirmation Session 3, 6.30 pm
	Thu 20 th	Deanery meeting
	Sat 22 nd	Second Archdiocesan Assembly
	Wed 26 th	Confirmation Session 4 and Practice 6.30 pm
	Fri 28 th	Confirmation Retreat Day 9 am- 3 pm – Held at SH Church Confirmation Mass (1) 6 pm
	Sat 29 th	Confirmation Mass (2) 6 pm
	Sun 30 th	Social Justice Sunday

SEPTEMBER	Tues 1 st	World Day of Prayer for Creation
	Sun 6 th	Father's Day & Collection for retired priests
	Thurs 10 th	Council of Priests meeting – Archbishop's house 9am – 5pm
	Sun 13 th	Safeguarding Sunday (2 nd Sun in Sept each year)
	Fri 25 th	Public schools Term 3 ends
	Sun 27 th	World Refugees and Migration Day
OCTOBER	Mon 12 th	Public schools Term 4 begins (teachers). Students back 13 th Oct
	TBA	PFC Meeting – Parish Office, 6.15pm
	Sun 18 th	World Mission Day
NOVEMBER	Sun 1 st	ALL SAINTS Marian Procession, Goulburn, details TBA
	Mon 2 nd	All Souls Day
	Wed 4 th	Anglican-Roman Catholic Reconciliation Day
	Sun 8 th	Prison Sunday
	Sun 15 th	World Day of the Poor Anniversary of Fr Richard's VG ordination (41 years)
	16 th – 20 th	Clergy Retreat
	TBA	PFC Meeting – Parish Office, 6.15pm
	Sun 22 nd	Feast of Christ the King World Youth Day (Diocesan Celebrations)
DECEMBER	Sun 29 th	First Sunday of Advent Year B/1
	Wed 2 nd	Marist Graduation Mass Time & Date TBC
	Thu 3 rd	International Day of People with Disabilities Council of Priests meeting – Archbishop's house 9am – 5pm
	Tue 8 th	Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	Fri 11 th	SH Graduation Mass 12/12.30pm time TBC Marist Staff Mass held at MHoC – 9.30am TBC
	Sat 12 th	50 th Anniversary of the Dedication of SH Church
	Fri 18 th	Public Schools Term 4 ends
	Wed 23 rd	Parish Office closes for Christmas break TBC
	Thu 24 th	Christmas Carols (5.30pm) & Children's Mass (6pm) held at Marist College Canberra Christmas Vigil 9pm at SH, MHoC Church
	Fri 25 th	Christmas Day 8.30am, 10am Mass
	Sat 26 th	Boxing Day Holiday
	Sun 27 th	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
The Parish Pastoral Council dates for 2026 will be advised after consultation. Please contact the office for further details.		

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