

**OUR PARISH**

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**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 **WITNESS** His love in all we do.

**OUR PARISH SCRIPTURE**

"Refresh my heart in Christ" - Philemon 1:20b

**THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH** CS = Communion Service

**PSALTER WEEK 1**

**WEEKDAY MASSES:**

Monday: CS 8.30am, Tuesday: 5.30pm

Wednesday: 8.30am, Thursday: 8.30am,

Friday: 9.30am; No evening Exposition and Adoration

**WEEKEND MASSES:**

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm Sunday: 8.30am, 10.00am

Mass will be celebrated at:

-Goodwin Village on the last Saturday of the month, 9.30am

-The Pines Village on the last Friday of the month, 11am

**RECONCILIATION (Confession):**

1100-1200 each Saturday.

**BAPTISMS:** Baptism Information Session, 7pm on the

second Tuesday of the month. Bookings essential, please

contact the Parish Office.

**Baptisms are celebrated in Mass or at 11.30am on 2nd &**

**3rd Sundays of the month. Bookings essential.**

**WEDDINGS:** By appointment, at least 6 months notice,

please! Phone the Parish Office for details.

The **BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL** is open daylight hours

each day for Adoration and quiet prayer.

*Please do not leave cut flowers or candles in the Chapel.*

**Thank you** - A very sincere thanks to those who helped with our financial support for the refugee family mentioned last week. We have achieved our goal with some \$\$\$s left over which will enable the girls to go on school excursions and get uniforms. We are a most generous parish, in so many aspects.

**School car park** - When parking in the school parking grounds please park in designated spaces only. Do not park in unmarked areas, particularly on the roadway at the bottom of the stairs. Thank you.



**Mary Help of Christians Parish  
South Woden, PEARCE ACT**



Parish Priest: Father Richard Thompson VF CSM ChLJ RAN Rtd

Assistant Parish Priest: Father Adrian Chan [adrian.chan@cg.org.au](mailto:adrian.chan@cg.org.au)

Deacon: Matt Ransom (part time)

Youth Minister: Michael Seselja

Presbytery/Parish Office: 115 Hodgson Cres, PEARCE ACT 2607 Ph: 02 6286 1908

Office Manager: Megan Loughlin Office Hours: 9am – 3pm Tuesday - Friday

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Our parish acknowledges and celebrates the original custodians of this sacred land, the Ngunnawal people.



**'Mary MacKillop Today' Appeal** - Thank you for supporting Mary MacKillop Today, our Parish raised \$1035 for their worthy works.

**Fr Adrian will be on leave from 3-30 September.** May God watch over you on your travels Fr Adrian, we will keep you in our prayers!

**1st Sept "Father's Day Appeal"** There are 30 priests of the Archdiocese who come under the care of the Clergy Retirement Foundation. At next weekend's Masses, you will have the opportunity to make a donation to this Appeal via our Qkr! App, Tap N Go Machine and Envelopes left on the pews. All gifts are tax deductible. **Please give generously.** Donations can also be made at [www.cgatholic.org.au/donate](http://www.cgatholic.org.au/donate)

**Restoring a time of silence in the church:** Pope Francis says: "Mass is the highest form of prayer and not an appropriate moment for small talk." He continues, "at church, Catholics should spend their time in silence before Mass, preparing 'to meet with Jesus' instead of engaging in 'chitchat'. Silence is so important, remember, we are not going to a show. Silence prepares us and accompanies us". Vatican 15 Nov 2018.

**Plenary Council - Next Phase: Listening and Discerning:**

The Plenary Council's six themes invite people to consider how God is calling the People of God to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is:

- 1. Missionary and Evangelising
- 2. Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal
- 3. Prayerful and Eucharistic
- 4. Humble, Healing and Merciful
- 5. A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community
- 6. Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform.

The broader Catholic community (that means US) is again called to take part in the next phase of the national process, a phase known as 'Listening and Discernment'.

Groups will now be formed in each parish/school – at least one each to focus on those six National Themes. The parish/school can have as many small groups (10-12 persons) as it likes, and this is encouraged. The small group gatherings will review the responses made during the Plenary Council's opening Listening and Dialogue stage, including people's questions and stories. The groups will also consider their relevant theme in light of Church teaching, tradition, Scripture and drawing from contemporary best practice within and outside the Church.

Each parish group will identify 2 or 3 emerging actions for each theme that can form a group submission to the Plenary Writing Group (PWG). The PWG will be composed of people — lay, religious, priests, and bishops — gifted with faith, knowledge, skills and attributes suited to the role. The parish emerging actions will be submitted to the PWG in no more than 150 words and they need to be: clear; stated as positive; be as specific as possible, and, be a real action ie. practical, achievable and measurable.

Our parish will run at least one Theme every month until Easter 2020, when submissions close. The small group sessions are open to all, will take about two hours and involve some pre-meeting reading. To help prepare, go to <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/reports/> and read the "snapshot reports". If you cannot access the site then contact the parish office for a copy. The group session structure is also at that site. A copy of the group meeting structure and all six "snapshot" reports is available in the Plenary Council Green Folder on the church back table. Please do not remove it from the church. Our parish will call for group participants during early September.

**For further Plenary details:** [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)



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MHoC Parish uses

Qkr! App AND



**Tap & Go payWave Machine** to contribute to the Church collections without the necessity of carrying cash. Please either download Qkr! from your App Store and collect a flyer from the foyer AND/OR payWave your card at the pre-set Tap N Go machine located in the Church Foyer when you exit the church. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions.

**ROSTERS FOR PARISH MINISTRIES FOR THE WEEKEND OF 31 AUGUST/1 SEPTEMBER 2019**

Commentators and Lectors

6.00pm H. Galang, C. Newton

8.30am P. Collins, C. Moffitt

10.00am F. D'Castro, B. Doherty

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

6.00pm Acolyte M. E-Richards, F.E-Richards G.MacCormack

8.30am Acolyte, M. Louis, B. Moffit, M.Supple

10.00am Acolyte, B.Usback, J. Z-Crombie, J. Bradley

Acolytes: Deacon Matt

Music Ministry

6.00pm P. Davis

6.00pm D. Gilchrist

8.30am G. Joseph

8.30am D. Tantri

10.00am P. Supple

10.00am Sr Kath

Altar Servers

6.00pm A. Fitzsimons, Galang Family

8.30am H. Egan, C. Bastiaans

10.00am H. McKay, D. Jovic

Welcome Ministry

Church Linen for AUGUST

6.00pm M. Blackmore, D. McLellan Leanne Harrison

8.30am K. and A. Devenny (SEPTEMBER —Nell Toscan)

10.00am R. and B. Usback

Altar Care (August 26): Shirley Topp

Rosary Crusade (August 25):

Fernando Family, 32 Hurley St, Mawson Ph: 2686 9669

**Coming up:**

• **30th August** - Rev Alex Osborne's Ordination, St Christopher's Cathedral, 6pm

• **1st September** - Father's Day & Retired Clergy Collection

**8 – September "Catechist Sunday"**

On this Sunday we honour, pray for and encourage our 220 catechists who work with 2,200 Catholic children attending government schools. If you know one of these special volunteers please give them a 'pat on the back' and say a prayer for them. [www.amazingcatechists.org.au](http://www.amazingcatechists.org.au)

**Remembering our faithful departed**

especially Sr John Keenan rsm, Dorothy Grouch and Pasquale Caggiano who died recently and Frederick Wilkins and Mervyn Crane whose anniversaries occurs at this time.

**May they rest in peace**

