

OUR PARISH

Contact Parish Pastoral Council via email: ppc.mhoc@gmail.com

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 (9 Mar - 15 Mar)

Fourth Sunday of Lent, Psalter Week 4, Year B/2

Sacred Heart Church Mass & CS Times:
Remember to turn your phones off when in the church.

A prayerful silence is respectfully requested as we gather to celebrate Eucharist.

- Sat: 6.00pm **Mass**
- Sun: 8.30am **Mass** & 10am **Installation Mass** for Fr Emil with **Archbishop Christopher Prowse**
- Mon: 8.30am **CS (Communion Service)**
- Tue: 5.30pm **Mass** Wed: 8.30am **Mass**
- Thu: 8.30am **CS**
- Fri: 8.45am Morning Prayer of the Church, 9.00am Rosary, 9.30am **Mass**, 5.30pm Evening Prayer & Adoration.

Note: There is Eucharistic Adoration held in the church from 10am to 9pm on Fridays during Lent.

The Pines Living Farrer Mass 3pm last Thu of month
Goodwin Village, Mass 9.30am last Sat of the month

RECONCILIATION (Confession):

Sat 11am-12pm (or by appointment).

FATIMA DEVOTIONS: 'The Five First Saturdays' Held on the 1st Saturday of the month: **Mass 9am**, followed by **confessions** with **benediction 10am**, concluding with a **Marian Movement of Priests cenacle**. See blue flyer in the main foyer for info.

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.

Live Stream Mass Cathedral : Mon—Sat 12.15pm & Sun 11am: <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/mass-online/>



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.



menALIVE Weekend for Men.

What are you doing on the 25 & 26 of May? Could you benefit from a weekend, featuring talks, personal testimonies, opportunities for discussion, & space to reflect?

Since menALIVE commenced in 2003, thousands of Catholic men have been encouraged & inspired at weekends across Aust. Now, MHoC Parish menALIVE weekend is being organised in Pearce, conducted by experienced leaders from the menALive Team. Register with QR Code or <https://canberracatholic.men>. See flyer in church. Enqu, ph/text Mat Wolnicki 0438 446 489, Fr Emil 0414 523 036, or Adam Wojtonis 0422 212 881.



Special Youth Group: there will be a **one off** youth group held in our Parish Hall on Sat 16 Mar, 7-8:30pm. There will be pizzas (\$5 donation), games (hand ball, table tennis etc) & input on the Catholic Faith. All high school youth welcome, parents to sign in their youth on arrival. Info contact Fr Emil 0414 523 03. Fr Emil has invited his previous Dickson youth group to come along & join. If any parent can pick up the pizzas prior pls contact Fr Emil.

Coming up in the Parish:

Tuesday 12 March.

- ◆ PPC meeting 6pm - Church, front room.

Wednesday 13 March.

- ◆ School of Religion - 4pm - Church & Hall
- ◆ First Holy Communion, Session 1 - Church - 6.30pm

Thursday 14 March

- ◆ Friendship Group - Bus Trip to Temora, NSW (\$95) For info. & to RSVP, ASAP to Faye 0451 683 099

Saturday 16 March.

- ◆ Baptism Preparation - Hall 3pm with Fr Emil.

Sunday 17 March - St Patrick's Day

- ◆ Children's Liturgy held during the 10am Mass
- ◆ **MHoC Adult Faith Enrichment** - Hall, 11.30-1pm, discussing the **Eucharist**.

Fr Richard's farewell drinks & nibbles will be on **Thu 21 Mar 5-7pm in the Sacred Heart School Hall**. If you would still like to make a cash donation please pop it in an envelope marked Fr Richard Gift. You can also give via Direct Deposit, or via the Qkr! App. If you have any photo's you'd like to share, please contact the office. **Bank details are:** Mary Help of Christians Parish **BSB: 062-786, Account: 0000 136 06** **Reference:** Fr Richard Gift. Please bring a plate to share if you are able to & **BYO drinks**. Tea & Coffee provided.



Shepherd's Corner

Thank you to **Archbishop Christopher** for making time for my formal installation to the parish this Sunday at the 10am Mass. I also want to thank those that have prepared a cuppa & morning tea afterwards. I feel very much at home, welcomed & part of the parish in the two months since I've arrived, I feel like I have always been here. We also welcome **Fr Leones** the new Canberra hospital **chaplain** who will live in the presbytery with me from this Sunday. He is not an assistant priest, just in residence, but he will be a helping hand around the place no doubt in his spare time!



Congratulations to the child (& families) who made their First Reconciliation during the week & now begin without ado the preparation sessions for First Holy Communion this week. *God's blessing, Fr Emil*



Palm Sunday Rally: Justice for Refugees

The St Vincent de Paul Society supports many refugees &



asylum seekers who've been living in uncertainty & disadvantage on temporary visas for over a decade. Vinnies invites Catholics to join us at the Palm Sunday Rally in Garema Place at **1.00 pm on 24 March**. Fr John Woods will speak at the rally. Together we'll call for "**Permanent Visas Now**", so that these people can begin to re-build their lives free of fear & uncertainty. Tim McKenna, Vinnies Refugee Support, Canberra-Goulburn 0416 062 849

Vocations Dinner held the Pearce Presbytery,

Thu 14 Mar 6pm 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 emil.milat@cg.org.au 0414 523 036.

The latest **Parish Pastoral Council** meeting minutes & **2024-2027 Parish Pastoral Plan brochures** are available on our website: <http://www.mhoc.org.au/news/>. Hard copies are available on the back table & at each church entrance. (*Minutes in the yellow folder*).

Please remember all of our faithful departed:

Recent deceased: Marie Docherty.

Anniversaries:

Frederick Wilkens, Bruno Wolnicki, Walfredo Ogues, Roderick Owens & Fr Vincent Piarse. We also pray for the soul of Patricia Kin Oung. *May they all rest in peace.*



ROSTERS FOR PARISH MINISTRIES FOR THE SUNDAY OF 16/17 March 2024

Fifth Sunday of Lent, Year B/2

Commentators and Lectors

6.00pm D O'Brien & B Gaynor

8.30am M & P Supple

10am A Kaushal & M Fisher

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

6.00pm M Jacob

8.30am S West

10am B Usback

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 H Palafox

Altar Servers:

Trained servers please volunteer at Mass

Church Linen March: M-A Kitchen

Welcome Ministry:

6.00pm D & C Nash

8.30am N Hately

10.00am R & B Usback

Altar Care (March 11): J O'Brien



Project Compassion

As the eldest child (pictured above) in a low-income farming family in rural Malawi, **Memory** faced many barriers to her education. But, with the support of Caritas Australia, she enrolled in a technical school and became the first female carpenter in her village.

Please donate through the Project Compassion boxes or envelopes available in the church foyer, by calling 1800 024 413, via the QR code or via our Qkr! App under

SPECIAL APPEALS or by visiting: <https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion>



Lenten Season 2024 Year of Prayer

Stations of the Cross: After 8.30am Mass Thu's.

2nd Rite of Reconciliation - for MHoC, Nth Woden & Weston Creek **is being held at MHoC 6pm Tue 19 Mar.**

Eucharistic Adoration Fridays during Lent until 22 Mar. Thank you to our volunteers committing to 1 hour of prayer in the church 10am to 9pm.

Lenten Discussion Group Meet in the Parish Hall after the Friday morning 9.30am mass for a relaxed chat & a cuppa. *All Welcome.*

The 2024 Lenten message from His Holiness, Pope Francis can be sourced on our website <http://www.mhoc.org.au/news/>

An Evening with Fr Timothy Radcliffe OP

Hosted by Genevieve Jacobs AM; **Details:** Wed 13 Mar, held at Marist College, Marr St in the Senior Hall. **Time:** 7.00-8.30pm. For info. & to register, go to: <https://bit.ly/49h5sG3>

