

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!



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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.





Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope


This year's Paschal Candle tells us that we must "Fan the Flame of Hope, that has been given us & help everyone to gain new strength & certainty by looking into the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart & a far sighted vision." *Pope Francis*

Shepherd's Corner

Thank you to so many who helped prepare the parish for this Easter—I have not the space here to list names!

From the parish office, to music & liturgical, church cleaning & set up. And just the usual ministries that enable Jesus to pour forth new grace through us His body to others. I pray we all have a very transforming Easter in this Jubilee year.

God's blessing Fr Emil





Our Parish Welcomes

Jack Leverett, Ashleigh Whelan & Salwa Knight being Received into the Catholic Church during the Easter Vigil, as well as Erin & Eric Hardstaff & Christian & Gabriel Knight through the sacrament of baptism. May they all be richly blessed with God's presence & feel the support of our Parish & their families.



PROJECT COMPASSION

UNITE AGAINST POVERTY
 this Lent



Please bring back your boxes & envelopes by bringing them up during the offertory procession & placing them in the basket in front of the altar. You can also donate the money raised directly to caritas.org.au/project-compassion by ph 1800 024 413, scanning the QR code or via our Qkr! App under ACG Special Appeals. Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent.*

Easter Offering Envelopes, all donations received go toward supporting the Clergy in our Archdiocese. You will find envelopes at each entrance to the church. Thank you for supporting our priests.

The annual **Good Friday Holy Lands Appeal** supports the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land & helps to preserve the sacred places. They provide welfare assistance to local Christians in health, education, employment, housing, parishes & orphanages. **Please help by donating to the appeal.** Envelopes are available throughout the Church, or you can donate via the **Qkr! App**.

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, 2-5.30pm** 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

Clare de Salis will give a short sharing at the 10am Mass Pearce & then talk more at length about being a Catholic, 24 years old, an athlete (100 & 200 metre runner) & an exercise physiologist. All ages are very welcome to come & join us in the parish hall afterwards for a cuppa & Clare's sharing of the inspiring power of Christ in her life.



Bus Trip! The Friendship Group are heading to Penrose Park visiting our shrine & for the Rosary & Mass on **Tue 13 May**. Cost \$50, stopping Goulburn for breakfast & BYO lunch. Departing 7.30am on Murphy St, behind the school/church, return approximately 6pm. RSVP, ASAP to Faye 0451 683 099. *All Welcome.*

ROSTERS FOR PARISH MINISTRIES
For The Weekend/Sunday of 26/27 April 2025
 Second Sunday of Easter, Year C/1

Commentators and Lectors

6.00pm	M Blackmore & S Peake
8.30am	C West & A Wolnicki
10am	S Topp & N Torres

Extra-ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

6.00pm	M-A Kitchen
8.30am	J Coyte
10am	B Usback

Acolytes:

6.00pm	C Patron
8.30am	P Collins
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 April: B Wilson

Welcome Ministry:

6.00pm	E Neal
8.30am	B Garrety
10.00am	S Topp

Altar Care (April 21): V Pembrey



Coming up in the Parish:

Tuesday 22 April

- ◆ MenALIVE - Hall - 7-8am, Morning Men's Group
- ◆ Parish Office Closed

Thursday 24 April

- ◆ Friendship Group - Hall - 10-12pm Package Health Care Packs

Friday 25 April Anzac Day

- ◆ Healing Service after Holy Hour 6pm

Sunday 27 April - Divine Mercy Sunday

- ◆ Holy Hour & Benediction - Church 2-3pm

Tuesday 29 April

- ◆ MenALIVE - Hall - 7-8am, Morning Men's Group
- ◆ Parish Office Closed Tue 29 April & Fri 2 May



Divine Mercy Sunday

Divine Mercy Sunday & the Divine Mercy image were given to us by Jesus through St Faustina & completes the Sacred Heart Devotion. **We will hold the Divine Mercy Holy Hour, with Benediction, at Sacred Heart Church from 2-3.00pm on Sunday 27 April. All Welcome.**

Update new time & format: Healing Service Friday 25 April now at 6pm directly after the Holy Hour in the church. All welcome.

Please remember all of our faithful departed: Anniversaries: Sydney Joseph Wilkins, Noni O'Brien, Natalina Servello, Fr Marcus Crowe & Fr Peter Murphy. May they all rest in peace.

You can read our Archbishop's Easter Message on our [website](#) & hard copies are available in the foyer.