



Holy Spirit Catholic Parish

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29-30 October 2022

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year C



Holy Spirit Amaroo

Monday

Office closed

Tuesday

9:15am Mass

Wednesday

7:00am Mass

7:00pm Mass

Thursday

9:15am Mass

Friday

7:00am Mass

Saturday

4:30pm Reconciliation

5:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday

8:00am Mass

9:30am Mass

New Ideas for Halloween

As usual, the gospel is peopled with more characters than other readings, giving us lots to think about for masquerade purposes. You get a second chance to consider Jesus – though he is the historical person and not the post-resurrection “Christ” that Paul references in his letter. Would there be a difference between the two costumes of Jesus Christ, in your design? And how about “the Son of Man,” a particular title for Jesus, the meaning of which even scholars are divided about? If you had three people in costumes as Jesus – the Christ, the man, and the Son of Man – how would you distinguish them, if at all?

If that's too much theology to handle at a Halloween party, you might take the easy way out and come as Zacchaeus. (Note: Only short people could consider Zacchaeus, since that's his outstanding characteristic.) Nature lovers might take a shot at portraying the sycamore tree. Endless possibilities!

How many titles of Jesus can you name, and what does each reveal about who he is?

Okay, most people will not have a Halloween party on biblical themes. But using religious imagination to reflect on Scripture is a time-honoured tradition. Each Sunday, identify with a member of the biblical cast. Consider what you learn through this identification.

In all created things, O Lord, you find a spark of your own immortal spirit.

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Stella Algie - Funeral Service

A mass to celebrate Stella's life will be held at Holy Spirit Parish on Wednesday 2 November at 12:30pm.

ALL SOUL'S DAY, celebrated on 2 November, is a day of remembrance for friends and loved ones who have passed away. The Book of Remembrance will be available in the Church foyer. Please record the names of loved ones who are to be remembered throughout November. November Mass Offering envelopes will be available in the foyer of the Church where you might like to name your departed friends and family. Masses will be celebrated throughout November in their memory. You can leave your envelope on the collection plate at any Mass.

Mass on Wednesday 2 November at 7:00am and 7:00pm.



This Weekend's Readings: Wisdom 11:22-12:2, 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2, Luke 19:1-10



St Francis Xavier Hall

Sunday Mass

8:30am

2nd and 4th Sunday of each month

Mass of Thanksgiving and Parish Morning Tea

Fr Mark has invited all his friends and family (Taralga and surrounds) to a Mass and morning tea/lunch at Holy Spirit Parish as a thank you to those who attended and contributed to his Silver Jubilee event in Taralga earlier this year.

We invite parishioners to come along and show some Canberra hospitality by bringing a plate of yummy morning tea delights to share with our guests.

Sunday 6 November 9:30am Mass.

If you are able to help morning tea set up and clean up, please contact: theivani@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au



Say What?

Zach was the co-worker who made life miserable for everyone in the office. He spent the better part of his days playing video games and made others work late to cover for him. He repeatedly ran over budget and blamed mistakes and excessive spending on junior partners. He minimised or ignored the success of anyone else and made snide comments about them. He excluded all but a select few from lunch conversations and after-hour gatherings. And he openly undermined any co-worker who threatened his role in the hierarchy.

So, when word spread the company chairman was coming to announce some internal changes, you can imagine that many office workers had high hopes that the chairman, known for his integrity and compassion, would recognise Zach for what he was – an office bully. After weeks of preparation, the day of the big visit arrived. The work room was abuzz, but the excitement soon turned to dismay when the chairman walked right to Zach and invited him to dinner!

It felt like a sucker punch to nearly everyone. Except then a strange thing happened. Zach looked down and said, "I have been a royal pain in the neck to everyone in this room and I don't deserve to have dinner with you until I sincerely apologise for all the damage I have done".

Impossible, you say? Impossible for love to change a sinful heart? Well, let's take a look at this week's gospel. - www.gpbs.com.au

Save The Date!

Saturday 3 December 2022
5pm Mass followed by BBQ and Carols Event.

Bring all the family and friends.



Parish Floriade Garden and Community Garden



We've enjoyed bringing the **Floriade garden** to you again this year and despite the challenges with the heavy rains and naughty cockatoos, we were still able to enjoy beautiful flowers for a few weeks. Our very small team have been working hard to ensure the garden beds are kept well maintained and thriving.

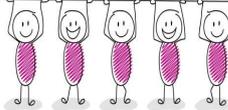
The **community garden** is growing very well after our first planting in early October and more will be planted on 19 November when we have our open day. Come along, see what is being done, stay for a BBQ. All are welcome to join our gardening groups—you don't have need any qualifications or expertise. If you have an hour to spare once a month, please put your name down to help with some odd jobs like light weeding, watering and general care. This is a great opportunity to meet new people, make some friends and get out of the house for little bit!



Contact Fiona—fionawilk62@gmail.com or Theivani theivani@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au

"You should spend 20 minutes a day out in nature, unless you're too busy, then you should spend an hour."

THANK YOU



A big thanks to **Matthew Allen** and **Daniel Baraniecki** for leading the Altar Server training last Sunday and thank you to **Matthew Baraniecki** and **Kabi Bish** for supporting and demonstrating.

We are proud to have these young leaders as part of our parish community!

YOUTH GROUP

Sundays 5-7pm at the parish rooms. Gold coin donation for food.

- ◆ 30 October
- ◆ 13 November
- ◆ 27 November
- ◆ 11 December—Christmas Party

Youth Mass—Sunday 20 November 9:30am

Upcoming Events

- * **Wednesday 2 November 2022 7:00pm—Mass for All Souls Day**
- * **Saturday 12 November at 2:00pm—100 Voices choir for the homeless.**
Afternoon tea provided, \$10 per person \$15 per family.
Contact: admin@stpaulsginninderra.org.au or 6259 2931
- * **18th November Cocktail Party for the Farm, Galong**
The Farm at Galong is a residential program for women who have been harmed by substance abuse and may also have experienced domestic violence, abuse, trauma and homelessness. The program aims to equip women in recovery with the skills and insights they need to lead productive lives. 5pm – 7pm. Contact: b_layton@optusnet.com.au
- * **23rd November Night of the Witnesses**
Night of the Witnesses - 23 November, 7pm at St Christopher's Cathedral. Aid to the Church in Need Australia invites you to a unique and inspirational event to be held in Australia for the first time.
- * **Thursday 24 November 2022—9:15am—Anointing Mass and morning tea**
- * **24-27 November—** Cursillo retreat weekend offers you the opportunity for formation through talks, meditations, discussion and prayer, led by an experienced local volunteer team. A three-day retreat starts on the evening of Thu 24 Nov in a relaxed retreat setting. Contact Alfred (0412 268 044, readysetgo@live.com.au). <https://bit.ly/cursillo22>
- * **29 November Dinner to mark the 60th anniversary of the Goulburn schools strike** Catholic Education Canberra Goulburn is hosting a dinner to mark the 60th anniversary of the Goulburn schools strike. The venue is the Goulburn Workers Club and tickets are \$48 plus a booking fee. The Hon Ursula Stephens is the guest speaker. The next day is the re-opening of the restored Sts Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral so it might be convenient to be a part of both events. You can book tickets through the Eventbrite website gss60.eventbrite.com.



Please keep the following individuals in prayer.....



For those who are sick

Baby Aarya
Jan Hancock
Jim Banks
Diego Castaneda
Dorrell Hogan
Rhonda Lipton
Antonija Pavlovic
Adrian Lim
Paz Pinilla
Carol Ooi
Agustin Fernandez Alarcon
Grant
Alan Demascus
Gowri Shivasabesan
Charlie Prasad
Sandra Cortes
Kathy Morris
Sr Carmelita RSM
Susan Metcalfe
Carmen Degabriele

Recently Deceased

Stella Algie
Teresita Tuazon

Anniversaries

Patrick Rayfield
Mary and John Scheiler

We include those who are members of our Parish or relatives. Please email contact the parish office or click here to request prayers.

[Prayer Requests](#)

A Sunday school teacher asked the children just before she dismissed them to go to church, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?"
Annie replied, "Because people are sleeping" .

Diocesan Pastoral Council (DPC) – All feedback welcomed

In April this year Archbishop Prowse established a working party to consider the (re-)establishment of a Diocesan Pastoral Council.

The DPC Working Party has considered;

1. Past attempts at a DPC - our legacy,
2. The present context and needs and
3. Options for a workable DPC.

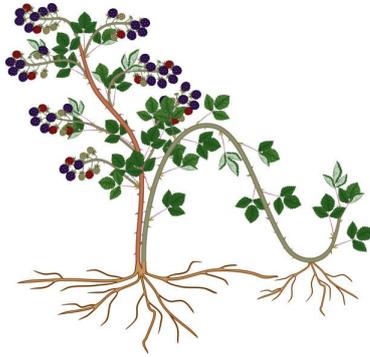
Download the Executive Summary and Report at bit.ly/3Cc4soF or contact your parish office for a copy. Questions have been developed to aid reflection. Answer questions online here or email workingparty@cg.org.au



Dear Lord,
so far today I've done all right. I haven't gossiped, haven't lost my temper, and haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or overindulgent. I'm very thankful for that. But in a few minutes, Lord, I'm going to get out of bed, and from then on, I'm probably going to need a lot more help.
Amen

Most Australians are familiar with the invasive Blackberry bush. Lacking effective predators, blackberry spreads invincibly. If people were to disappear, one imagines blackberries conquering the whole region. It does produce a lovely fruit.

So, the mustard bush in Jesus' day. While it could grow into a decent tree, it mostly spread as a bush advancing along pathways, slipping into gardens and growing unnoticed.



This is the Church. Endlessly cutback, uprooted in places, consciously targeted for elimination, seemingly hopeless, yet still, it grows despite the opposition of enemies. Why? Because ultimately it draws life from its taproot, who has already overcome death. He will never give up, neither should we.

Complete the Text maze:

"The Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost."

START

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FINISH

WE NEED YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Online Mass Contribution (First and Second Collections combined)

We encourage you to continue to support our parish by making contributions to our First and Second Collections online. Follow the steps below to make a secure online donation.

1. Click on <https://www.holyspiritgungahlin.org.au/donations-payments/secure-online-payments/>
2. Select Biller Code 1002872 – Mass Contribution
3. Enter your payment details.



Parish Bank Account Details

BSB: 062 786 Acc Number: 00010701 Acc Name: Holy Spirit Parish

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Download our parish app: **Pocket Parish** from **App Store** or **Google Play**.

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VOICES

FOR

THE HOMELESS



Venue St Andrews Church, Forrest
When Saturday 12 November, 2.00pm (afternoon tea provided)
Tickets \$10 per person, \$15 per family

Phone 6259 2931 **OR email** admin@stpaulsginninderra.org.au

