

Holy Spirit Catholic Parish

93 Burdekin Ave, Amaroo ACT and 220 Victoria St, Hall ACT Supporting and supported by Holy Spirit, Good Shepherd, Mother Teresa Primary Schools and St John Paul II College

#### 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year A

#### 21-22 October 2023



Holy Spirit Amaroo

Monday No Mass Office closed

**Tuesday** 9:15am Mass

Wednesday 9:15am Mass 6pm Holy Hour and Reconciliation

> **Thursday** 9:15am Mass

#### Friday

7:00am Mass 7:30am Morning Beans 12:00pm Mass

Saturday 4:30pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass

#### Sunday

8:00am Mass 9:30am Mass 5:00pm Mass



#### **St Francis Xavier Hall**

Sunday Mass 8:30am 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month **Tax Time** (Matthew 22: 15 - 21)

What is a tax? In the best of circumstances, it's a private payment for the public good. It's how individuals contribute to the interests of the community of which they're a part. In the time of the Roman empire, taxation among the occupied provinces was a troubling matter. It could be argued that what went into the pocket of Rome went out of the province for good.

Those who questioned Jesus about taxes, of course, weren't asking for a moral decision. They wanted him to betray himself by being politically incorrect in front of the people. And Jesus, of course, was above politics, framing his answer in larger terms than the Pharisees cared to consider. Those who were obliged to Caesar should certainly make payment in the coin of the realm. But those who are obliged to God - and who isn't - owe a debt to be paid in the province of the human spirit. It is this larger obligation that should capture our concern.

# Do we commit more of our time, energy, and resources to Caesar or to God? What do we currently give to Caesar that belongs to God?

#### Pray

Go boldly into the world. Go seek out new ways to be God's holy ones. Go into the world with God's good news. You are the message. Be the message. Do the message. Live the message. As you go the love of God, the grace of Jesus Christ, and the inspiration of the Holy Spirit go with you. Thanks be to God! Amen.

#### Ponder

Consider making a new tithe to God. Allot a portion of your time to worship, contemplation or spiritual reading. Give a portion of your wealth to the needy. Spend a portion of your energy on a just cause.

#### Kids' Corner

We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers. (1 Thessalonians 1: 2)

The New Testament readings are letters the Apostles and other leaders in the early church wrote to guide people as the faith spread. Saint Paul begins this letter by telling the people of Thessalonica (theh-sah-LAWN-ih-kah) that they are in his prayers. Praying for one another is powerful. It is one of the best things you can do. Thank God for the people in your life. Ask God to bless them in a special way.

Dear God, I am so thankful that I have \_\_\_\_\_ in my life. Amen. www.gpbs.com.au



A **big thank you** to everyone who made donations and supported the games night and our various sausage sizzles. We raised the following amount for our World Youth Day pilgrims and were able to give them \$2200 each.

• \$3790.45 - Donations

**023** • \$2808.85 - Games Night

This Weekend's Readings: Isaiah 45:1, 4-6, 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, Matthew 22:15-21

# **Parish News and Events**

- \* **Rosary for the Month of October**—Please join in the Rosary after each Saturday 5pm Mass for the Month of October.
- RCIA program and Alpha for 29 years + | Parish rooms on Thursdays at 7:00pm. If you would like to find out more about the program please contact <u>theivani@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au</u>
- Morning Beans for Young Adults | Friday 27 October at 7:30am-9:00am -Blossoms Café Ngunnawal —spill in at anytime!
- Tuesday 31 October 2023 5:30pm-7:00pm | Adult Faith Formation Topic for this week: Morality: Virtue, Grace and the Path to Happiness
- Celebrating Women of Faith Catholic Women's Taskforce Fundraising Dinner | 27th October Fundraising dinner for MacKillop House at the Southern Cross Club in Woden. Guest speaker, Ms Genevieve Jacobs, a well-known local personality, will reflect on her experience of her Catholic faith in both her professional and personal life. Tickets are \$80, but early birds are \$70 (until 29 Sept), and tables of 10 are discounted to \$700. Please visit www.cgwomen.org.au to purchase tickets through Humanatix. Contact Samantha Hazlett at samanthahazlett@icloud.com



#### Alpha - (for anyone aged 17-29)

1st, 2nd and 3rd Wednesday of November and December from 7:00pm to 8:30pm.

#### Contact:

Melwyn.moneiro@cg.org.au, bree.kuhn@cg.catholic.edu.au or theresa.bui@merici.act.edu.au

## The Chosen—Discussion Group

All are invited to join Fr Troy to watch a few episodes of Season 2 of The Chosen followed by a discussion group. Starting **Wednesday 1 November at 10:00am** and run for 8 weeks.



#### Pilgrim Virgin Statue Home Visitation Program

Will you take me to your home? Hosted by Legion of Mary—please call Peter 0437 672 069 to make a booking.

# **Community Messages**

Marian Procession | Sunday 22 October

This year the Marian Procession will take place at the beautifully restored and rededicated Sts Peter and Paul Old Cathedral in Goulburn. 10.00am | Morning tea, 10.30am | Cathedral guided tour +children's activities, 10.30am - 11:45am | Penance, 12.00pm | Mass, 1:00pm | BBQ fundraiser, 1:30pm | Cathedral guided tour, 2:00pm | Rosary

 Catholic Ball | Saturday 4 November 7-11:30pm - Southern Cross Club Woden Meet other young Catholics (18-40) and support Pregnancy Crisis Centres by attending the James Bond Catholic Ball. Tickets \$85 (4 hour drinks package and canapes). Book at <u>https://www.eventcreate.com/e/canberracatholicball2023</u>. Canberra Cathedral Young Adults Facebook group or <u>catholicyoungadults.cbr@gmail.com</u> for more information. Please keep the following individuals in prayer.....



For those who are sick Jim Banks Dorrell Hogan Kathy Morris Elisabeth Faith O'Connell Caitlin Wigglesworth Kwang Hui Lim Grant Maria Therese Cummins Gail Elizabeth Adriano Cesar Junior Maria Teresa Meireles Theresa and Joseph Tan Cyril Jolicoeur **Bill Honess** Ghylianne Chelmiah **Tony Johnston** Jaya Raghwan Julie Mirfan Paul Johnston Edwin Joseph Dsouza Alan Kay John Sweeny Sharron Davis Michelle Mark Bush Salvacion VaraasŽ Caroline Galea

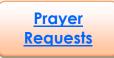
#### **Recently Deceased**

Don Rose Con Romer Lynn Keyworth

#### Anniversaries

Patrick Rayfield, Howard and Joan Shedden John and Mary Scheiler Stella Algie

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



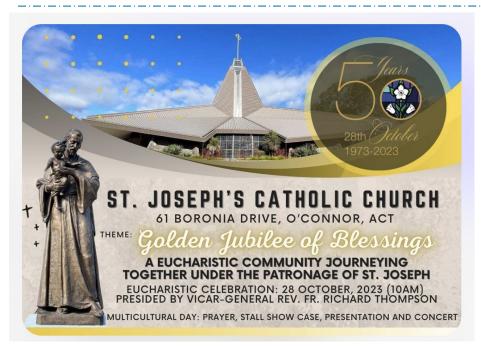
#### NEEDS OF LAY CATHOLICS TODAY

What do adult lay Catholics need today to help them live a committed Catholic life amid the circumstances of modern society? To find out and to help improve their services to our Archdiocese, the Canberra Circle of The Catenians, an international association of lay Catholics, is conducting an Archdiocesan-wide online survey.



Please help by completing this brief, anonymous, tick-box survey via this URL or QR code. Thank you. <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CLTZGMW</u>

Contact: Phil Murray, President, Canberra Catenians 0419 695 927 or phil13murray@gmail.com



#### 29 October | ACT Right to Life AGM

All are invited to attend the AGM of the ACT Right to Life Assn Inc., at Holy Trinity Parish Centre, Curtin.

SUNDAY 29 OCTOBER : Meeting 1.45pm to 3pm - Invited speaker 3pm Father Warrick Tonkin -"The Human Person - From Jesus to Pope Francis". Questions and afternoon tea to follow.

Assist catering by reply: <u>actrtlassoc@gmail.com</u> or phone Bev 0418 718 713.

#### LOVE ONE ANOTHER

"Love and kindness are never wasted. They always make a difference. They bless the one who receives them and they bless you, the giver." Barbara De Angelis

In a world often divided, let's unite through the power of love. Embrace one another with compassion, empathy and understanding. Love transcends boundaries, heals wounds and uplifts souls. It's a beacon of hope that can light up even the darkest of times. Together, we can create a brighter, more harmonious future. Let love be our guiding principle, for in loving one another, we discover the true essence of humanity. With open hearts and outstretched hands, let's build a world where love knows no bounds and the beauty of our shared humanity shines through, inspiring us all to be better.

Dear God, help us to love and be kind to everyone. Let us understand and care for others, even when we are at odds with one another. May our actions show our love and bring people together in peace. Amen. www.majellan.media



#### Part Time Parish Secretary—Narrabundah

People are invited to apply for the position Parish Secretary for St Benedict's Parish, Narrabundah. This is a part-time permanent position Tues-Friday 9am-12noon. Please phone 6295 7879 or email <u>narrabundah@cg.org.au</u> for a copy of the duty statement. Applications addressing the Selection Criteria above & duty statement to the Parish Priest, Fr Rembert Fernando <u>Rembert.fernando@cg.org.au</u>

#### Parish Office Manager – Inner North Parishes

People are invited to apply for the position Parish Office Manager, Inner North Parishes (encompassing Campbell, Canberra Central, O'Connor & Watson). This is a full-time position (subject to review in 12 months)

Please email <u>Deborah.foote@cg.org.au</u> for a detailed copy of the duty statement and selection criteria. Applications addressing the Selection Criteria with attached resume to Fr Anthony Riosa, SSS, <u>anthony.riosa@cam.org.au</u> must be received by Friday 3 November 2023.



# **Explore** Life Faith Meaning

Becoming Catholic and Questions about Life!

All are invited to join the RCIA candidates to explore our Christian faith through the Alpha program. If you are interested in coming along, please contact <u>theivani@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au</u>

Sessions will be held on Thursdays at 7:00pm at the Parish Office rooms.

### Let us pray for a synodal Church

Let us continue to pray for all those participating in the Synod of Bishops and lay people on Synodality and a Synodal Church. The Synod is being held in Rome from 4 October to 28 October to advise the Pope on the topic 'For a synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission'.



Lord, help us to pay attention to each other,

to wisely waste time by giving time to one another.

Teach us the art of listening to each other, welcoming others without judging them,

understanding their feelings and what inhabits their hearts.

May we learn to value the experience of letting ourselves be transformed by dialogue,

to share our own hearts with sincerity and to receive the other in his radical singularity with openness and patience.

We place this Synod in your hands, make it fruitful and impel us to walk together in your Church, at the service of your mission. Amen.

## **Mission Sunday**

Today is Mission Sunday when the Church commemorates the work of missionaries around the world. Catholic Mission is holding its Annual Parish Appeal to help support its work. This year there is a particular focus on the work of the Salesian Sisters who operate a health clinic and vocational school in Venilale in Timor-Leste.

Please join the people around Australia who contribute to Catholic Mission. Envelopes are available for cash or credit card donations, or you can donate on-line. If you like you can take an envelope home and bring it back next week.



# GAZA CRISIS APPEAL

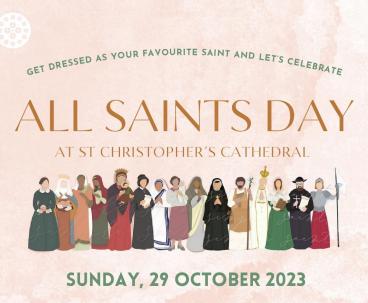
Help provide urgent humanitarian assistance to the people affected by the conflict.



www.caritas.org.au/gaza

1800 024 413

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AFTER 11 AM MASS HAYDON HALL 55 FRANKLIN STREET, FORREST



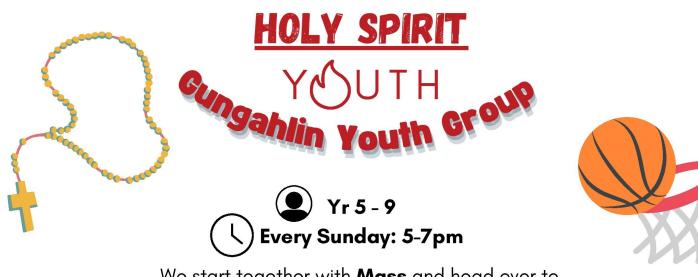
HEAPS OF FUN ACTIVITIES AWAIT!

FREE TICKETS AVAILABLE HERE: HTTPS://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/CLLJJ



Community Garden Come and See! Join us as we plant the summer season crops.

Volunteers will be there to show you around and explain what we do in the garden. Sunday 29 October after 9:30am Mass. Come and see what is happening in our community garden. Morning tea available.



We start together with **Mass** and head over to the Parish office together afterwards.

# FUN - FOOD - FAITH

# Torm 4 Dates

Week 2: Oct 22 Week 3: Oct 29 Week 4: Nov 5 Week 5: Nov 12 Week 6: Nov 19 Week 7: Nov 26 Week 8: Dec 3 Week 9: Dec 10 Nerf Gun/Water Fight- bring your friends Hail Mary Who Does Art in Heaven Where Art Thou Sport Glory Be to our Creed for Speed Craft and Furious Fatima is a Crafty Place. The Mystery Channel Youth + Altar Server Christmas Party



Join the youth group mailing list.





At Holy Spirit Church (93 Burdekin Avenue, Amaroo) Have a question? Matthew.allen@cg.org.au



WITH THANKSGIVING TO ALMIGHTY GOD, THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CANBERRA & GOULBURN INVITE YOU TO THE DIACONATE ORDINATION OF

Mr. Mark Ha

BY THE MOST REVEREND CHRISTOPHER PROWSE, Archbishop of Canberra & Goulburn

ON

# FRIDAY 3RD NOVEMBER, 2023, at 5:00 PM

AT

# St. Christopher's Cathedral Corner of Canberra Avenue and Furneaux St, Forrest ACT 2603.

VISITING CLERGY TO WEAR WHITE VESTMENTS AND Email Acmr and WWCC Details to IPSS@CG.org.au

INQUIRIES PLEASE CONTACT 0455288443 or Email: marcokhoithang@gmail.com



KINDLY RSVP BY 25TH OF OCTOBER, 2023.

#### Our Vinnies Pantry is very low!

Please help us to look after our most disadvantaged families by donating much needed food.

Please follow this list for ideas on what to donate.



#### Children's Liturgy:

Children's Liturgy will recommence this Sunday for Term 4. As part of our Parish Safeguarding procedures, we ask that all adults - parents, teachers, helpers - who attend Children's Liturgy, please add your name to the sheet in the Parish Centre as you come in each Sunday to Children's Liturgy.

If you have any questions regarding this, please contact the Parish Office.

#### November Roster:

If you volunteer for Mass ministries and have not already completed the availability form that was emailed this week, you can complete the form with this link. <u>click here</u> Please complete the form by Monday 23 October.

#### WE NEED YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

#### First Collection (Supporting all priests of the Archdiocese)

1. BSB: 062 786 Acc Number: 00029248 Acc Name: Central Presbytery Fund Ref: Gungahlin and Surname

2. Tap and Go machines or Qkr!

**Second Collection** (For the upkeep of our parish, staff salaries, parish loans, liturgical needs etc)

- 1. Click on <a href="https://www.holyspiritgungahlin.org.au/donations-payments/secure-online-payments/">https://www.holyspiritgungahlin.org.au/donations-payments/secure-online-payments/</a>
- 2. Direct Credit: BSB: 062 786 Acc Number: 00010701 Acc Name: Holy Spirit Parish
- 3. Tap and Go machines or Qkr!



#### CONNECT WITH US

Parish Priest: Fr Troy Bobbin Assistant Priest: Fr Eden Langlands

#### Parish Office and Presbytery

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Parish Pastoral Council (PPC): Sean Ryan E: sean.ryan.cdss@gmail.com

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

#### Parish Groups

Craft Group | Beth Forshaw Mondays 1:00pm Parish Office

St Vincent de Paul | Drazen Roginic President P: 0401 669 301 E: Drazen.Roginic@vinnies.org.au

Call to Connect | Maureen Hilton M: 0431 123 465

Holy Spirit Prayer Group | Kathy Torcasio 0401 920 028 Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the church

Social Justice Group | Peter Petersen E: socialjustice.hsp@gmail.com

Legion of Mary | Grace Magbutay E: office@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au

Youth Ministry | Matthew Allen E: youth@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au

Young Adult Ministry | Melwyn Monteiro E: melwyn.monteiro@cg.org.au

Care Group | Sonja Vocisano P: 0438 699 591

**Community Garden Group** | Parish Office E: theivani@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au