



# 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

12-13 October 2024

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year B



## Holy Spirit Amaroo

### Monday

No Mass  
Office closed

### Tuesday

9:15am Mass  
7pm Christian Meditation

### Wednesday

8:20am John Paul II College  
9:15am Mass  
5:40pm Novena to Our Lady  
6pm Holy Hour and  
Reconciliation

### Thursday

9:15am Mass

### Friday

7:00am Mass

### Saturday

4:30pm Reconciliation  
5:00pm Mass

### Sunday

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

## Possessed

The lie about all of our stuff is this: We possess it. In fact, our possessions own us more powerfully than we can ever hope to claim them. Make a mental list of what you think you've got: home, car, lawn, furniture, bank accounts, education, title, position, relationships, and responsibilities. Whatever we have, it also has us. And what it costs us to maintain all of our stuff goes much deeper than our wallets. It takes time and life and effort and will to keep all the stuff of our lives in place.

Even the poorest person on the planet possesses something; the goal isn't to renounce all resources because we can't. We'd still be in possession of our lives. The spiritual goal is to surrender what we possess, so that it can't make us less free. If we surrender our resources to God's purposes, then no one can take anything from us. We become liberated when our worldly wealth is at the disposal of God's will. Those who walk off with heavy hearts are dragging their possessions with them.

### **Which of your possessions is the most burdensome for you?**

### Pray

We celebrate your love and presence, O God. May we trust that love and respond to your presence when your call cuts against our expectations or plans. Open us, then, to your compassion that seeks not what is easy for us, but what is best. Amen.

### Ponder

Tread lightly in your relationships. Make fewer demands, give without expecting a return. Free them, and yourself, from the burden of expectations. *"No chance at all if you think you can pull it off by yourself. Every chance in the world if you let God do it."*

### Kids' Corner

Each morning when you get up, you have an important choice to make: What will you think about? You could think about someone who made you angry yesterday or about something unpleasant that you've got to do today. On the other hand, you could think about some of the good stuff you're going to enjoy. You can think about the friends you're going to see. You can think about God who loves you and who will be with you all day long. Starting your day with happy thoughts is a lot more fun. It will bring more joy into your entire day!

God living among us, thank you for the good things each day brings. Amen.

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## St Francis Xavier Hall

Saturdays 5:00pm



## Procession of Our Lady of Fatima

Sunday 13 October at 8:50am  
Multicultural Rosary Procession followed by 9:30am Mass.  
All are welcome to join in this short prayerful walk.

# Parish News and Events

## Parish Bilingual Mass Dates

- ◆ Urdu-Hindi—Saturday 19 October 2024 at 5:00pm
- ◆ Filipino—Saturday 26 October 2024 at 5:00pm
- ◆ Sinhala — Saturday 9 November 2024 at 5:00pm

We are locking in dates for our 2025 Bilingual Masses. If you would like to have a Mass in your language for your cultural community, please email [theivani@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au](mailto:theivani@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au).



## Community News

- \* **17 October | Ordination to the Priesthood of Rev. Mark Ha**  
Save the Date Thursday 17 October 2024 at 5.00pm at St Christopher's Cathedral Forrest, Canberra
- \* **18-20 October | Come, Holy Spirit - Archdiocesan Assembly**  
All are invited to take part in the Archdiocesan Assembly that will explore the theme 'Come Holy Spirit.' This will focus on celebrating the Year of the Holy Spirit and explore new opportunities for evangelisation and synodality in the life and mission of our local Church going forward.
- \* **19 October | The Canberra Catholic Ball | 7:00pm-11:00pm**  
Come along for a night of regally-themed fun with friends new and old! Open to all Catholic Young Adults in the Archdiocese of Canberra-Goulburn, (Ages 18-35). Tickets are very limited so make sure you don't miss out on this fantastic event! Theme: A Royal Affair. Location: Juliet Room, Verity Lane Market, 50 Northbourne Avenue Canberra. Book your tickets [here](#). Questions, contact [catholicyoungadults.cbr@gmail.com](mailto:catholicyoungadults.cbr@gmail.com), or [anucathsoc@gmail.com](mailto:anucathsoc@gmail.com)
- \* **23 October | Victory In Christ—Breakthrough with healing | 6.30pm**  
At Mary Help of Christians Church, Pearce. Conducted by Lalith Perera, Spiritual Director of the Risen Lord Community. 24 October 2024 6:30pm to 8:30pm at St Brigid's Church, Dickson. Conducted by Archbishop Christopher and Lalith Perera
- \* **27 October | The Marian Procession | 10:00 am**  
An Ecumenical Rosary Procession, with Mass Celebrated At Goulburn's iconic Old Cathedral of Sts Peter and Paul's by Archbishop Prowse.
- \* **1 November | Catholic Women's Taskforce Annual Fundraising Dinner**  
The 2024 Catholic Women's Taskforce annual fundraising dinner for MacKillop House, Lyneham will take place on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024 at the Canberra Southern Cross Club from 6.30 pm. For more information or to register go to <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/event/cwtad/> Enquiries: Monica Phelan on **0413 315 486**
- \* **9-10 November | ENGAGED ENCOUNTER RETREAT**  
How prepared are you for marriage? Engaged Encounter provides you with deeper insights into each other and into married life. For further information visit: [www.engagedencounter.org.au](http://www.engagedencounter.org.au). Choose any of the Weekends: Nov 09-10, Feb 22-23, May 17-18, Aug 16-17
- \* **10 November | ST THOMAS AQUINAS CHARNWOOD 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**  
All are invited to a 10:00am Mass followed by BBQ— please register: [www.stthomassquinascharnwood.com](http://www.stthomassquinascharnwood.com)



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



**For those who are sick**  
Elisabeth Faith O'Connell  
Kwang Hui Lim  
Adriano Cesar Junior  
Maria Teresa Meireles  
Theresa and Joseph Tan  
Tony Johnston  
Jaya Raghwan  
Paul Johnston  
Mark Bush  
Jim Banks  
Barbara Kirk  
Vesna Ljubičić  
Alonso  
Shami Laffan  
Marc Darlington  
Nancy Phillips  
Ashley  
Ana Al-Adhami  
Linda Dwyer  
Wigglesworth Family  
Alan Demascus  
Jeffrey Gonzalez  
Mary Gardner  
Marie Lincoln  
Wongduean Sawasditas  
Nook Sawasditas  
Daranee Teapthong  
Judeth Barrett  
Bill Honess  
Mark and Debbie  
Sue Aston

**Anniversaries**  
Gwen Rose  
Don Rose  
Bozo Ilic  
Kerry Bartlett

**Recently Deceased**  
Margaret & Neil Mackerras  
Remigia Maga  
Victoria Fajardo  
Pat Weeks  
Deirdre Mc Cullough  
Ernesto Mello  
Ken Rose

**80th Birthday**  
Cath and Tony Wright

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

[Prayer Requests](#)

## Readings for 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

### Entrance Antiphon | Psalm 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But with you is found forgiveness,  
O God of Israel.

### First Reading | Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me;  
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.  
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;  
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.  
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,  
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,  
and beside her silver ranks as mud.  
I loved her more than health or beauty,  
preferred her to the light,  
since her radiance never sleeps.  
In her company all good things came to me,  
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

### Responsorial Psalm | Ps 89:12-17. R. v. 14

(R.) Fill us with your love, O Lord,  
and we will sing for joy!

1. Make us know the shortness of our life  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Lord, relent! Is your anger forever?  
Show pity to your servants. (R.)
2. In the morning, fill us with your love;  
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.  
Give us joy to balance our affliction  
for the years when we knew misfortune. (R.)
3. Show forth your work to your servants;  
let your glory shine on their children.  
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:  
give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

### Second Reading | Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

### Gospel Acclamation | Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Happy the poor in spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!  
Alleluia!

### Gospel | Mark 10:17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

### Communion Antiphon

Cf Psalm 33:11

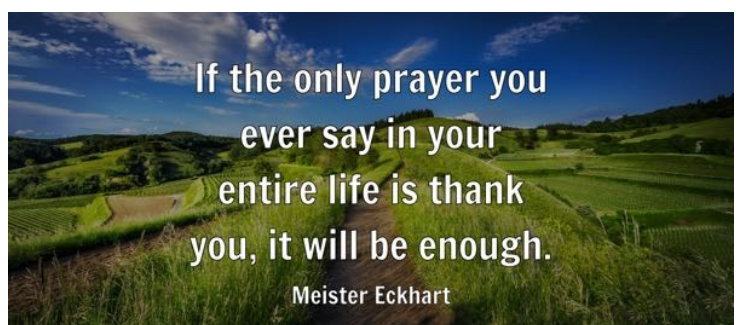
The rich suffer want and go hungry,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

or

1 John 3:2

When the Lord appears, we shall be like him,  
for we shall see him as he is.

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# COME and EXPLORE

Is there more to life than this?  
Who is Jesus?

The Alpha Course is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. All are invited—bring a friend!

**Date:** 17 October 2024—Every Thursday (10 Sessions)

**Time:** 7:00pm

**Venue:** Parish Meeting Room

**RSVP or enquiries:** [office@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au](mailto:office@holyspiritgungahlin.org.au)

Alpha

## 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 <https://www.holyspiritgungahlin.org.au/donations-payments/secure-online-payments/>
2. Direct Credit: BSB: 062 786 Acc Number: 00010701 Acc Name: Holy Spirit Parish
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