



Holy Family Church (HFC) and Office  
167 Bugden Avenue, Gowrie ACT 2904

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Parish Suburbs: Banks, Calwell, Chisholm, Conder, Fadden, Gilmore, Gordon, Gowrie, Isabella Plains, Macarthur, Richardson, Theodore, Tharwa & rural surrounds in ACT.

Parish Schools: St Clare of Assisi, Conder; St Francis of Assisi, Calwell; Early Learning Centre - SFA, Holy Family School, Gowrie; Early Learning Centre - HFS, St Mary Mackillop College - Isabella and Wanniasa Campuses.

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Read our Parish Bulletins here: <https://ccparish.org.au/about-us/bulletin/>  
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**13th & 14th December 2025**  
**3rd Sunday of Advent**  
**What is happening this week?**

<b>Fri 12th Dec</b> <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>	05:00-6:00pm 06:00pm 06:30pm	HFC HFC HFC	Adoration Mass Altar Servers' Year- End Pizza and Movie Night
<b>Sat 13th Dec</b> <i>St Lucy</i>	09:00am 10:00am 05:00-05:30pm 06:00pm	SHC HFC HFC HFC	Mass Reconciliation Reconciliation Vigil Mass
<b>Sun 14th Dec</b> <b>3rd Sunday of Advent</b>	08:00am 10:00am 05:00-05:30pm 06:00pm	HFC HFC HFC HFC	Mass Mass (livestreamed) Reconciliation Mass
<b>Mon 15th Dec</b>	Office closed 09:00am 07:00pm 07:00pm	Parish Centre Parish Centre HFC	RCIA SVdP Gowrie Conference Advent Program
<b>Tues 16th Dec</b>	09:30am 05:30pm	Parish Centre HFC	Parent Support Group playgroup Mass
<b>Wed 17th Dec</b>	09:30am 10-12 am 07:00pm	SHC Parish Centre Parish Centre	Mass followed by Rosary Bailleys SVdP Auxilliary Group RCIA
<b>Thurs 18th Dec</b>	07:00am 10:30am 07:00-08:00pm	HFC Amala Aged Care HFC	Mass Mass 2nd Rite of Reconciliation
<b>Fri 19th Dec</b>	5:00-06:00pm 06:00pm	HFC HFC	Adoration Mass



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Parish Safeguarding Commitment:  
Corpus Christi Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of all of our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to, and to be protected. This approach is at the center of all of our thinking and action. For more information, visit the Canberra Archdiocese website at: <https://cgcatholic.org.au/professional-standards>.  
Communicating Concerns: Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns they may have by emailing Fr Simon or the Parish Office. Alternately, please phone the Parish Office to organise a time to talk with Fr Simon. Specific safeguarding issues can also be emailed to Maria Hicks, Manager for the Archdiocese's Institute for Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) by emailing [ipss@cg.org.au](mailto:ipss@cg.org.au) or phone 02 6239 9806.



*This weekend we continue the season of Advent. We prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ in glory by responding to the moments of each day. In the last days of Advent, the focus will shift to remembering the coming of Christ at Christmas.*

### Vinnies Christmas Appeal & the Parish Giving Tree: Last weekend for making donations



Thank you to all parishioners for your incredible support of last weekend's Vinnies Christmas and the Parish giving tree appeals. This weekend, Dec 13&14 is the final weekend to donate food items and new Christmas gifts/ gift cards for **children/ teenagers aged 9-16 years**. Our volunteers will be available at each of the masses to receive donations for the giving tree and the Vinnies Christmas appeal and to sell Christmas Cards (\$4 &6) and Calendars (\$7). Thank you in advance for your generosity and the difference your donations will make to the less fortunate in our local community.



*Noela Nagle, a much-loved parishioner of ours, celebrated her 100th Birthday on 8th December, surrounded by family and friends.*

*Congratulations Noela and may God continue to bless you. xxx*



### A Year End Cuppa - after 8am Mass

Join us for a year end cuppa after 8am Mass **this Sunday, 14 December** at 9am. Feel free to bring a plate. We look forward to seeing you there.

### Volunteers Needed for Christmas Mass Rosters!

The roster is in the foyer. Thankyou for sharing your gifts!

**For Christmas Eve Mass at St Francis of Assisi.** Strong Helpers needed to: set up altar, gazebo and lecturn and cleaning up at the end; we need Traffic Marshals, First Aid Officers, Safeguarding volunteer for the Lost Station. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help. Many hands make light work!!!

**Also the cleaning Roster** If you could assist with some cleaning of the church for Christmas on Tuesday 23rd Dec between 9am and noon, please put your name on the list in the foyer.

### Friendship Coffee Next Weekend - A Christmas present for that someone who has everything!

The Corpus Christi Parish Social Justice Group is selling East Timor Friendship Coffee after the Masses next weekend on 20 and 21 December. The money raised from the coffee sales will go towards supporting the farmers who grow the coffee. It will also pay the salary of a Braille teacher, Prisca Júlia Meluk de Jesus Lobu, at the Fuan Nabilan Education Centre for Blind and Vision Impaired students, first aid equipment at Fuan Nabilan and building a home in Kerala. Don't miss out on the chance to buy our 250g bags of coffee beans and ground coffee for only \$10 each. Let's make a difference together!

### Christmas at Corpus Christi Parish Tuggeranong South

**Thursday 18th December**  
**7pm 2nd Rite of Reconciliation**

**Wednesday 24 December**  
**Christmas Eve Masses**

**6pm outside at St Francis of Assisi School**  
120 Casey Cres., Calwell.  
*(bring a chair or rug to sit on, sunscreen, hat, water to drink)*

**9pm Holy Family Church Gowrie**

**Thursday 25 December**  
**Christmas Day Masses**

**Midnight Holy Family Church Gowrie**  
**Carols begin 11.30pm**

**8am Holy Family Church Gowrie**

**10am Holy Family Church Gowrie**

**THE NATIVITY SCENE** in the church will develop on the sanctuary during the four weeks of Advent. During Advent we are encouraged to wait in hope for the coming of our saviour.



**In the first week** we are called to open our hearts to the Lord represented by the empty stable. **In the second week** we are called to contemplate the ordinary everyday events of our lives represented by the animals who gather in anticipation of the Lord's birth. **In the third week**, the empty crib helps us to recognise how we see that our lives are lived, not solely for ourselves. **In week four** the shepherds gather which recognise that God reaches out to all people regardless of their status or position. **On Christmas Eve**, Mary and Joseph arrive at the stable and at the Midnight Mass baby Jesus is placed in the crib. The Wise Men arrive at the stable on the Epiphany to present their gifts before the Lord.

**So this week**, the nativity scene continues to develop. As we gaze on the stable, **the empty crib helps us to recognise during the third week of Advent about how we see that our lives are lived, not solely for ourselves.** We continue to wait in hope for the coming of our saviour.

## ARCHDIOCESE EVENT NOTICES

### Christmas Mass Collection for 2025 Archbishops Christmas Appeal Support is Needed so please come prepared!

the Archbishop will be asking for help with *life saving assistance for displaced people or people under threat of displacement from war ; climate change in Asia, the Middle East and Africa,; female access to education in Pakistan; student assistance in the Middle East;* Communities in India, Africa and Timor Leste plus local works by The Farm in Galong and The Home in Queanbeyan. Donations can also be sent to: Archbishop's Christmas Appeal, GPO Box 3089, Canberra ACT 2601.

**13 December | A Handel Celebration – concert | 7:30pm** Canberra Choral Society (CCS) welcomes the festive season with 'A Handel Celebration', its annual Come and Sing event. Featuring a selection of music from the greatest operas, oratorios, odes and anthems by George Frideric Handel, directed by Erin Helyard, Baroque specialist and Artistic Director of Pinchgut Opera, with accomplished French Soprano, Myriam Arbouz, a 160-voice choir of CCS and guest singers from the Canberra community, and a locally sourced professional or

### 1-7 January | Immaculata Mission School 2026 - Our Father" - join us and go deeper in God's goodness and love!

What is it? A wonderful opportunity to grow in faith through daily Mass, Adoration and times of prayer, fantastic Catholic speakers (including international speakers Steve and Katey Norman from Renewal Ministries), share groups, fun activities, friendship and lots more.

What is the theme? "Our Father" - join us and go deeper in God's goodness and love!

When is it? 1-7 Jan for youth and adults (14 years and up); 1-5 Jan for married couples and families (includes children's ministry)

Where is it? Armidale, NSW For costs, more information and to register visit [www.immaculata.org.au/ims](http://www.immaculata.org.au/ims)  
Registrations close 23rd Dec.

### 23-27 January | Trendsetters 2026 - A Jesus Youth Discipleship Retreat

Navigating your faith into adulthood can be challenging, especially in a fast-paced world! Trendsetters is a time for you to set your eyes on God through ENCOUNTER of His Love and a RENEWAL of your faith! Dates: 23-27 Jan 2026 (5 DAYS)  
Location: YWAM Canberra, Watson, ACT 2602 Who: Highschool Graduates and Uni students (ages 18-23) Registration closes 11 Jan. For more information contact: Email - [canberra@jesusyouth.org.au](mailto:canberra@jesusyouth.org.au) Tanya Jojo – 0431805052

### Caritas Australia appeals for support for vulnerable communities across Africa

Across Africa, millions of people are trapped in a desperate struggle for survival. Conflict, violence, hunger, and displacement are tearing communities apart. In places like the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sudan and across the Horn of Africa, the situation is critical. In response, Caritas Australia is supporting partners across the region to provide vital aid including emergency shelter, food and nutrition support, and access to clean water. Your support is urgently needed. Please donate to Caritas Australia's Africa Crisis Appeal, either online [www.caritas.org.au/africa](http://www.caritas.org.au/africa) or phone 1800 024 413

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### ARCHBISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL

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| \$20 | \$50 | \$100 | \$150 | Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Dr/Rev \_\_\_\_\_  
(Block letters please)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please find enclosed my | Cheque | Money Order

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Please send to: **Archbishop's Christmas Appeal**  
Attn: Deacon Joe Blackwell  
GPO BOX 3089, Canberra ACT 2601

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**RECENTLY DECEASED:** James Brian Richardson (husband of Yvonne), Lynette Tankey, Kevin O’Shea, Maria Perre, Gerard Estrop, Paul Robertson, Dorothy Strickland, St Aileen Wailes RSM (Yass/Goulburn), Marie Smith, Joan Brearley, Sr. Elizabeth “Liz” West, Patricia Andrew, Patricia Betts, Tony Sayer, Denis O’Brien, John Luan Nguyen, Matthew McGrail-Penca; Wade Lovekin, Bishop Pat Power, Debra Bayley, Col Berryman, Dr Neil Harrigan, Patricia Patterson, Ofelia Co, Anna Ivec, Dennis Tarbuck, Dennis Sleigh, David Haire, Teresa Maiuto, Steven Gleeson, Emmanuel Day, Giovanni Feltrin, Joy Huber, Ruth Faulder, Epifanio Bl Encina, Ann Pearson, *May they rest in peace.*

**SICK:** *We pray for...* Nan Falson, Perry Hardman, Kaye Carrett, Lynn McMahon, Janice Lapworth, Alan Minjoot, Patricia Davies (a.k.a. Dr. P. Hilton), Harold Palmer McCann, Monique Hall, Bob Curtis, Monica Nulley-Valdes, Christopher Price, Geoff Cobden, Judy Reid, Anthony Kelly, Ray Brown, Adrien Samuel, Shane Davie, Maureen King, Sue, Johanna, Cassandra, Maverick Tracey, Francis Cheong, Christine Hall, Peter Maguire, Shona Johnstone, Brian Armstrong, Karen Nixon, Maurice and Vivienne Muscat, Annie Chamberlain, Perry Hardman, Jenny Keen, Wendy Roberts, Patrick Roberts, Harry Parvizi, Margaret Holberton, Gavin O’Brien, Flora Martone, June Lever, Hannah Thomas, Karen Nguyen, Delia Alexander, Jessica Bernadette Elena, Howard Murray, Diane Savage, Barbara Savage, Zenilda Gama, Ayla Haragli, Judith & Werner Kley, Melvyn & Cheryl Nerva, Merle Shep, Dot Pestana, Margaret Latham, *and all our sick family members, friends and parishioners.*

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE:** *During December we remember* Anton and Lionel, Primo Benavidez, Enma Iglesias, Adela Cruz, Carlos De Leon, Ventura Cruz, Lynnette Russell, Robert Pereira, Betty Kennedy, Eileen O’Keeffe, Jessica Harris, Jim Sharman, Manuela Lopera, Ronald Buckley, Santo (Tony) Dattilo, John Berry, Edgar Casas, John Hudson, Desmond Pereira, Josepha Koster, Alma Armstrong, Valda Ryan, Ernie Wickson, Abraham Arulandandam, Fr Albert Havas, Michael Lennon, Maria D’Ambrosio, Lucia Pallamountagne, James Kropp, Linda Casey, Jeffrey Hudson, Joan Enghari, Joan Willemsen, Annunziata Muscat, Eileen Bale, Leo Hioly Chang, Margaret Harrison, Maria Tran, Carlos Carrin, Maurice Beale, Kevin Gallagher, Judith Owen, Pierina Benassi, Rinaldo Iarossi, Elenita Pesigan, Keith Holberton, Agnes Savage *and all of our loved ones who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith . If you wish to have your loved one entered into our Book of Remembrance and remembered each year, you will find a form in the foyer.*

Roster 13th & 14th December 2025— 2nd Sunday of the Month					NEXT WEEK Roster 20th & 21st December— 3rd Sunday of the Month			
	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8am	Sunday 10am	Sunday 6pm	Saturday 6pm	Sunday 8am	Sunday 10am	Sunday 6pm
Acolyte/ Senior Server	<b>Tom</b>	<b>Nestor</b>	<b>Geoff</b>	<b>George</b>	Raul	Roehl	David	Tom
Altar Servers	<b>Alan R Michael W</b>	<b>Amy L Riley L</b>	<b>Hannah C Liam V</b>	<b>Chwoy A Joshua D</b>	Hunter E Neria V	Chloe M Patrick M Samuel M	Chloe W Holly W Jakob K	William S Elise S Scarlet C
Readers	<b>Anne G Megan B</b>	<b>Trudy D Mike K</b>	<b>Peter D</b>	<b>Bob C Beth L</b>	Anne R Lynn B	Judy B Alwyn D	Catherine D	Christine W Paddy M
Music/DPO	<b>CFC DPO Rudy</b>	<b>Lorna 8am Choir DPO Angus</b>	<b>Matt W Gail W DPO Chloe</b>	<b>Michelle Brigita Graham</b>	Pete S DPO Michael	Lorna Geoff, Ryan DPO Angus	Jeremiah W DPO Samuel	Michelle & Brigita
Offertory Procession	<b>Vacant</b>	<b>Agnes</b>	<b>Velasco family</b>	<b>Beasley family</b>	<b>vacant</b>	Lau Family	Walker Family	<b>vacant</b>
Eucharistic Ministers	<b>Mark P Roehl O</b>	<b>Gerry K Alwyn D</b>		<b>Paddy M</b>	Lyz A Esther O	Trudy D Veronica M	Jane C	Claudia M Meg T
Children’s Liturgy	<b>Susan S</b>	<b>vacant</b>	<b>Erin W Helen J</b>	<b>vacant</b>	Kristy E	<b>vacant</b>	Terri C	<b>vacant</b>
Cuppas	<b>vacant</b>	<b>Andrea Val</b>	<b>Lavinia and family</b>	<b>Vacant</b>	<b>vacant</b>	Alice Aurora	Jane David	Vacant
Collector bags & clear boxes	<b>Christine O</b>	<b>Angie N</b>	<b>Omar Maryanne</b>	<b>Brett L</b>		Jason Alice	Gayle	Paul
Sanigun after Mass	<b>volunteers needed</b>	<b>volunteers needed</b>	<b>Omar &amp; Maryanne</b>	<b>volunteers needed</b>	<b>volunteers needed</b>	<b>volunteers needed</b>	Geoff	<b>volunteers needed</b>

If you wish to contribute monetarily to our parish we thank you. There is a number of ways that you can do it. via Direct Debit, you will find the forms at the entrance table in the foyer.

The blue Direct Debit Request is for the Central Presbytery Fund (1st Collection) and the Pink Direct Debit Request is for the Church (2nd Collection).

By Credit-Card, the yellow form is for the Presbytery Fund (1st Collection) and the purple form is for the Church Account (2nd Collection).

Alternatively you can donate using your credit-card via Qkr! or use the tap machines in the foyer of the church,

On our website at <https://www.bpoint.com.au/payments/corpuschristiparish>

Or Cash donations are collected at the metal collection points and with collection bags during mass. *We are very grateful for your donation.*