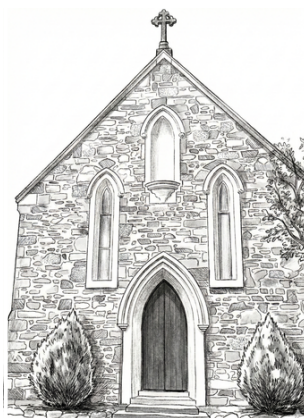


St Gregory's Catholic Parish

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Fourth Sunday of Easter Year A
25 and 26 April 2026 Good Shepherd Sunday

Announcements

Upcoming Events and Information

Charity Collection: totalled \$56.45 this week for the Sleep Bus
Donations for Vinnies - pantry items needed (inc UHT milk) and toiletries - leave in box at rear of Church.

Upcoming Event: Sunday 3 May 11am St Raphael's Church Morning Tea, Talk & Guided Tour by Dr Margaret Carmody as part of the Queanbeyan Heritage Festival. Volunteers welcome to help with serving tea.

HOME in Queanbeyan is looking for two or three more fill in volunteer overnight caretakers to stay one night each month. If you are interested and would like more information, please call Anne Pratt on 62842409. Thank you.

Parish Assembly will be held on Sat 9 May 2026 at St. Gregory's Primary School
Forthcoming sale of All Saints Church Bredbo. All enquiries to Father George.

Project Compassion. Please return all money to the church collection or drop off at the office by the end of April please

Women's Breakfast Saturday 2 May 2026 830am at Suppeto's Jerrabomberra

Mother's Day Raffle \$1 a ticket in support of St Raphael's Memorial Garden

St. Gregory's Parish Sacramental Program 2026.

Enrol and pay via Qkr! App - \$50 per sacrament.

- **First Eucharist** (9-10+ years) - Closes **11 May 2026**

Preparation classes held after 5.30pm Mass at St. Raphael's

1. Wed 13 May (Parent/Carer information and 1st class for children)
2. Wed 20 May (2nd class for children)
3. Wed 27 May (3rd class for children)
4. Wed 3 June (4th class for children)

Celebration of the Sacrament on Sat 6 June or Sun 7 June or Sat 13 June 2026

- **Confirmation** (11-12+ years) - Closes 10 Aug 2026

Mass Times at St. Raphael's

Sunday

5:30pm (Sat Night)

8am and 10am

Weekdays

Tues - Thur 5:30pm

Fri at 12 Noon

2nd Saturday of month 9.30am

at St Gregory's Church

St Patrick's Michelago 30 May 4pm

Confession Times

Confession Times Tuesday-Thursday 6pm - St. Raphael's
Saturday 10am (2nd Sat of month only) St. Gregory's

Parish Youth Group

Currently in recess but usually on

Wednesday evenings

in the undercroft at St. Raphael's

Contact Neeta 0490082345

Nursing Homes

Times

1st Wed of Month 10am

George Forbes House - Mass

2nd Wed of Month 10.30am Aeralife -
Prayers and Anointing

3rd Wed of Month 10.30am Warrigal -
Mass

St Vincent de Paul Conference

Meeting 7pm every 2nd

Thursday next

on 7 May ALL WELCOME

HOME in Queanbeyan

284 Crawford St.

Call Matthew on 0409228886

Formation in Faith

Sundays 9am

St. Raphael's Parish Room

Contact Janine Deakin via
the Parish Office ALL WELCOME

Rosary at St. Raphael's

Rosary Tuesday - Thursday 5pm

Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament

Friday 11am

Meditation

Tuesdays at 7pm

Acknowledgement of Country

Our parish acknowledges the original custodians, the first peoples of the land where we gather to pray. We welcome any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples present. We honour their elders past, present and emerging as we walk together continuing the path to reconciliation.

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Readings and Psalms

Fourth Sunday of Easter 25 and 26 April 2026

Entrance Antiphon

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.'

He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.'

They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty. This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

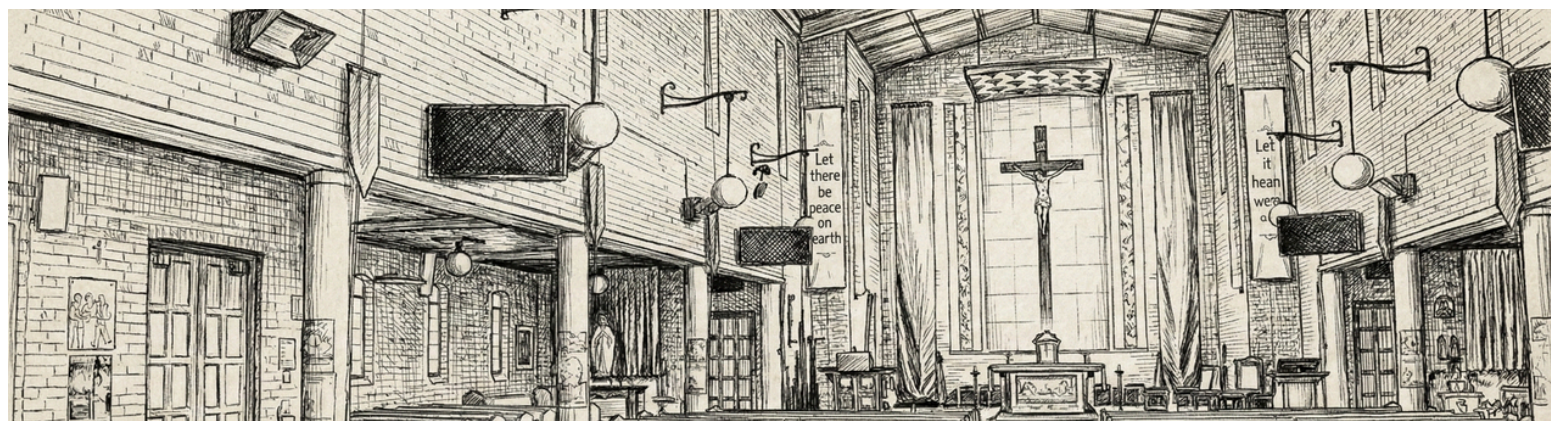
Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John
Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand.'



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The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable, but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly,

I am the gate of the sheepfold.

All others who have come
are thieves and brigands;

but the sheep took no notice of them.

I am the gate.

Anyone who enters through me will be safe:

he will go freely in and out

and be sure of finding pasture.

The thief comes

only to steal and kill and destroy.

I have come

so that they may have life

and have it to the full.'

Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd has risen,

who laid down his life for his sheep

and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

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2026 Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal

Letter from Archbishop Prowse

Dear Friend, I invite you to join me in supporting the formation of our future priests—men who are courageously saying “yes” to God’s call and preparing to serve His people with faith and compassion. Your gift. Their formation. Our future. Your gift helps form priests who will celebrate the sacraments, care for the vulnerable, guide the young, and console those in grief. Through the 2026 Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal, we have a vital opportunity to stand beside them. The Archdiocese invests over \$50,000 each year in every seminarian’s formation—an essential but significant commitment. Your generosity ensures they receive the formation they need to serve our Church for years to come.

You can give today using the payment slip below or by donating via the QR code With gratitude and every blessing,
Archbishop Christopher Prowse
Catholic Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn



The Lion Pilgrimage 9-23 July 2026

The Lion Pilgrimage to Italy and Rome July 2026 launched by Bishop Tony Percy this year the Lion Pilgrimage is intended to form young Catholics in the Church’s social teaching and to help prepare them for leadership in the Church and society. Pilgrims will travel across Italy and be educated in Catholic social teaching, to gain a deeper understanding of human dignity, the common good, solidarity and subsidiarity, and to consider how these principles can be lived in public, professional and parish life.

Those who take part will return with renewed faith, a stronger sense of mission, lasting friendships, and practical leadership formation which can bear fruit in the life of the Church and in wider society.

Many of you will know one of the participants, Dylan House, and if anyone would like to help Dylan and contribute to the cost of Dylan’s pilgrimage please contact the Parish Office.
www.thelionpilgrimage.com

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Readings, Psalms & Announcements

**Parish Assembly -
Saturday 9 May 2026
9am Mass St. Gregory's Church
10am-3pm Parish Assembly
St Gregory's Primary School Hall
Molonglo Street Queanbeyan**

Assembly registration

Please register for the parish assembly on the parish website (www.stgregsqqueanbeyan.com) or with the QR code.

To prepare us for our upcoming parish assembly we are going to have a conversation in the church during mass in the two weeks prior to the assembly weekend. The first conversation will be regarding our parish community, and we'd love you to consider the following, so that you can start thinking about the topic in preparation.

Community

Healthy parishes are like a family and have a strong, welcoming community life. Fellowship occurs in a community formed around the Gospel, and its purpose is to love and support each other on the Christian journey to holiness.

What do you find meaningful about being part of this parish?

Parish Assembly Prayer

We thank God for the gift of baptism that brings us together as companions on a journey and for the diversity, love and generous hearts within our parish. We are thankful for the sharing of our gifts of time, labour, laughter and prayer that keep us together as a Community of Christ.

We pray that the parish assembly will bring us closer and give us a unified purpose as we journey together.

May the Holy Spirit guide us, open our hearts and help us listen deeply to each other with empathy and humility.

Enable us to share God's Love with each other, our families, our workplaces and our community. Amen.

Let us pray for the sick in our Parish

Christian Borja, Dhel Borja, Connie Griffin, Hugo Villa, Fred Spiteri, Lucy Aloe, Felicia Lyons, Robert (Ned) Vodovic, Mirella Wakim, Thomas, Juliet & Rommel Estabillo, Rosario Surmeida, Katie Casey, Dennis Pountney, Andy McCosker, Patelisio Langi, Phil Hastings, Cheryl Smith, Ulma Faatamala, Gywne McIntyre, Patrick McCormack, Patricia Mooney, Catherine Cullen, Eva Sutton, John Church, Rae Blyton, Oliver Pacione, Irene Cameron

Recently Deceased

James Stuart Sullivan
Sister Fidelis MC
Danica Ribic
Margaret Raptis
Connie Griffin

Anniversaries

Danica Domitrovic
Alessandro Facchin
Smiljka Ugrinic
Suzi Stefance
Samuel Cauchi

Children's Masses

The first children's mass will be held this Sunday 26th April at 10am

Parish Pastoral Council Update

At the recent PPC meeting, the main topics for discussion were a communication strategy for the parish, the Parish Assembly and the potential sale of the Bredbo church.

The PPC meeting minutes are available on the parish website and on the noticeboard at the back of the church.

Our next meeting is on Saturday 13th June at 10.15 am in the Parish Centre, Macquoid Street.

stgregsqbnppc@gmail.com

Parish Safeguarding Commitment

Our Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of all 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 our thinking and action. For more information visit the Canberra Archdiocesan website at <https://cgcatholic.org.au/professional-standards>. Communicating Concerns: Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns they may have by emailing the Parish Office. Alternately, Parishioners may raise any specific safeguarding issues by emailing the Parish Office marking the email to the attention of the Parish Safeguarding Volunteers. Parishioners are also welcome to contact Maria Hicks, Manager for the Archdiocese Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding (IPPS) by emailing ipss@cg.org.au or phone 02 6239 9806

Parish Finance Council (PFC): Anne Alexander (Chair), Paul Lindwall, Matthew Mason-Cox

Parish Pastoral Council (PPC): Janine Deakin (Chair), Bec Giampaolo, Gretchen Bell, Sybil Busby, Glenda Chapman, Jaynel Estrella, Ralph Frank, Nisha & Manoj Jose, Nick Pelle, Sheryl & Benjie Reyes, Selina Stanford.

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