Mass Times at St Raphael's Church

Sunday
5:30pm (Sat Night Vigil)
8am and 10am then Morning Tea
Weekdays
Tues, Wed & Thur 5:30pm
Fri at 12 noon
2nd Saturday of month 9:30am
at St Gregory's Church

St Patrick's Church Michelago
14 November 4pm Communion Service
28 November 4pm Mass

Confession Times

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday 6pm
St Raphael's

Nursing Home Times

1st Wed of Month 10am
George Forbes House - Mass
2nd Wed of Month 10:30am Aeralife - Communion Service
3rd Wed of Month 10:30am Warrigal - Mass

The Rosary

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday 5pm

Meditation

Tuesdays 7pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction

Thursdays at 4.15

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with the Rosary and Mass

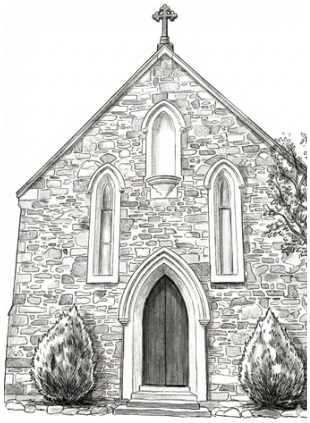
Fridays at 11am

St Vincent de Paul Conference

Meets every 2 weeks at 7pm on Thursdays next on 19 November ALL WELCOME HOME in Queanbeyan 284 Crawford St. Call Matthew on 0409228886

St Gregory's Catholic Parish

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Announcements Parish

Charity Collection: This week $48 was collected for HOME in Queanbeyan. Please no foreign coins.

Missionary Sisters of Charity Sunday School every week at 11am at St. Raphael's Church. Include preparation for baptism for children older than 6 plus instruction for children of all **ages.** All children welcome.

Want to be Catholic? Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Continues at 9am every Sunday in the Parish Room of the Presbytery at St. Raphael's. We welcome everyone.

St. Gregory's Parish welcomes seven Missionary of Charity Sisters to Queanbeyan till early December as they journey through a renewal course. Please keep them in your prayers.

Advent Reflection Book 2026 "Presence"
We are pleased to advise that there are a few Advent books left and they are $5 each from the Parish Office.

November Mass Offering envelopes & book for signing is available near Mary's altar

Raffle to Support HOME in Queanbeyan 2026
Funds raised in the raffle go towards providing a supportive and loving long-term home for our 20 residents. First prize is a luxury stay at Jamala Wildlife lodge at the National Zoo and Aquarium with many other prizes on offer.
Tickets can be purchased through the link, the raffle will be drawn on the 25th November.
RaffleTix | Raffle to Support HOME in Queanbeyan 2026

Upcoming Leave Father George and Seminarian Cinnil will be away on retreat for 5days starting Monday 16 November

Vocations Discernment Dinner at Queanbeyan Presbytery: Thursday 12 November 6pm. For men interested in discerning a call to the Priesthood. A hearty meal provided with insightful discussions & prayer. To rsvp please contact Vocations Director Fr Emil emil.milat@cg.org.au 0414 523 036.

CAMINO OF ST JOSEPH 2026 overnight Men's Pilgrimage walk 20–21 November 2026. Starts 8pm Mass St Joseph's O'Connor, stopping at five churches until Mary Help of Christians Pearce 8am Mass the next morning. There will be a trailing bus to offer rest breaks. For more information or to register scan the QR code https://canberracatholic.men, or email mat.wolnicki@menalive.org.au.

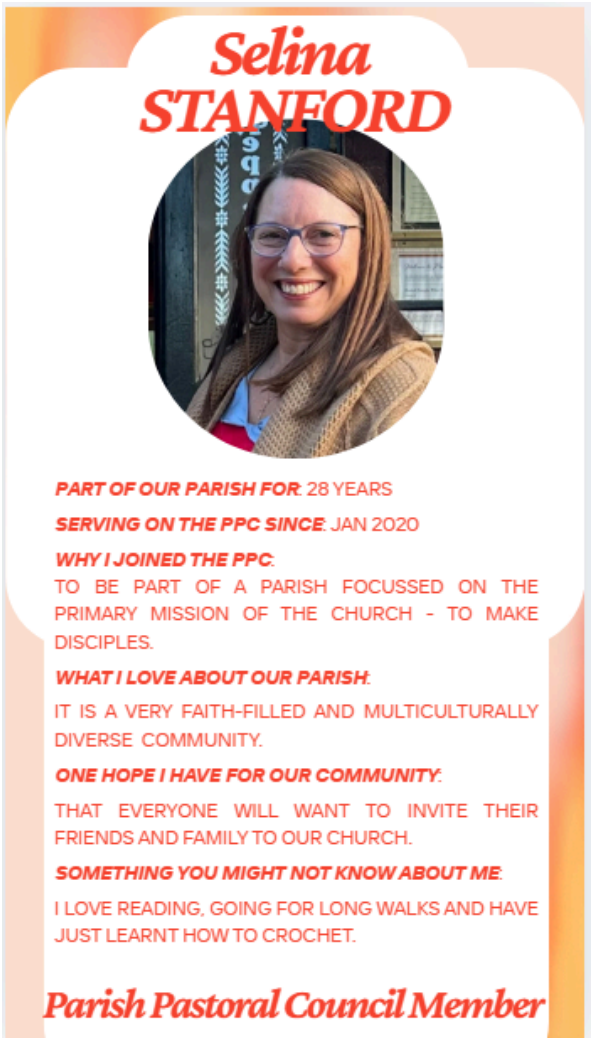
Acknowledgement of Country

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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St. Gregory's Parish Pastoral Council Members Profile



Divine Renovation – Reading Group

Parish Assembly follow-on activity. Join us as we read and discuss the book Divine Renovation: Bringing your parish from Maintenance to Mission.
Third Saturday every month at 9am in the Lowe St Meeting Room.
Next meeting is on 21 November
All welcome. Details: Ralph 0401 994 081

Youth Meeting

Calling all students in Years 7–12! 🙌
Join us for our Youth Meeting every 2 weeks starting Nov 8 after the 10am Mass, at around 11:15am in the Parish Room, next to morning tea.
Whether you're interested in getting more involved in our church or simply learning more about your faith alongside other young people your age, everyone is welcome. We'd love to see you there!

Discover FORMED - Free for All Parishioners

Our parish has a subscription to FORMED, giving every parishioner free access to hundreds of Catholic videos, studies and ebooks. This subscription has been made possible through a donation to the parish, allowing everyone in our community to grow in faith from the comfort of home.

How to access FORMED

- Go to https://signup.formed.org/
- Click Continue to Sign Up/Login
- Click Need an Account?
- Enter your name and email address, then click SIGN UP
- Enter parish postcode 2620 or search for St Gregory's Parish Queanbeyan
- Open the verification email and start streaming

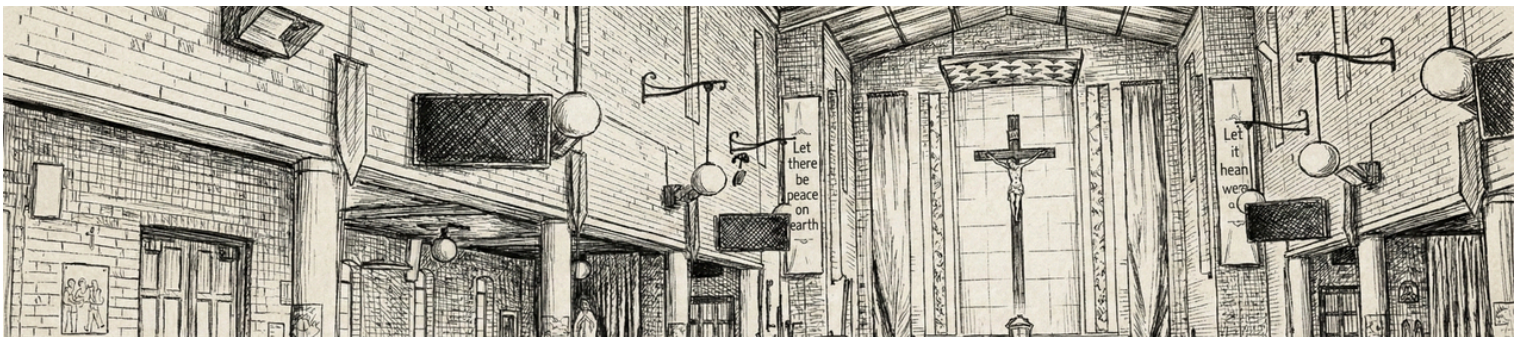
We encourage all parishioners to take advantage of this wonderful resource. Whether you are well advanced in your faith journey or just beginning to ask questions, there is something for everyone.

CANA YOUTH RETREAT (Years 7-12)

"FILLED"

Date: SUNDAY 12 DECEMBER 2026
Time: 9am - 9pm
Place: HAYDEN HALL St.Christoper's Cathedral 55 Franklin Street Forrest
Cost: $30 with Lunch and Dinner Options

Register by 7 December at
https://www.cgevangelisation.org.au/cana-retreat/



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Let us pray for the sick in our Parish

Christian Borja, Dhel Borja, Hugo Villa, Fred Spiteri, Felicia Lyons, Robert (Ned) Vodovic, Mirella Wakim, Thomas, Juliet & Rommel Estabillo, Rosario Surmeida, Katie Casey, Patelisio Langi, Phil Hastings, Cheryl Smith, Ulima Faatamala, Gywne McIntyre, Patrick McCormack, Patricia Mooney, Catherine Cullen, Eva Sutton, John Church, Rae Blyton, Oliver Pacione, Jamie Mansell, Juan Bernabe, Shirley Bischelberger

Recently Deceased

Eunice Campbell
Joseph Abela
Raymond Armstrong
Barbara Stapleton

Anniversaries

Teresa Pucci
Giovani Gattuso
Frank Bresnik Snr
Michael & Sue Turner
David Lambert
Thomas Harper
Stefano Berra

Baptisms

Oliver Gene Boyle
Zara Joy Boyle
Lucelia Sue McGrath-Shean
Audrey Porritt

From Our Parish Priest:

My dear brothers and sisters,
As you have all probably noticed, we need to update our audio visual in St Raphael's and fix the problems we are experiencing. Part of that will be a need to replace and update all the screens in the church. We are kindly asking for donations. Your help will be very much appreciated.

Blessings, George

Ways to donate:

1. Via the Parish Website page - go to *www.stgregsqueanbeyan.com* - go to the "Donations" section.
2. Make a direct payment to the Parish Account with the Commonwealth Bank:

Name: St. Gregory's Parish
BSB : 062 786
Account: 000012889



Art Competition

Calling all young artists across the Archdiocese!
Create an artwork inspired by "Everyone is Invited" and show us what bringing people together at Christmas means to you.
The winning artwork will feature on the December Christmas cover of Catholic Voice., so grab your pencils, paints or pastels.
Scan the QR code for full details and how to enter. Entries close 16 November.



The payment details are slightly different from those on the poster above and they are as follows:

Account Name: Mary Dorrian
BSB 067 872
Account number 7597 3743
Description: Please write your first and last name here

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Readings 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 7 and 8 November 2026

Entrance Antiphon
Cf Psalm 87:3
Let my prayer come into your presence.
Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

First Reading
Wisdom 6:12-16
A reading from the book of Wisdom

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.
By those who love her she is readily seen,
and found by those who look for her.
Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them.
Watch for her early and you will have no trouble;
you will find her sitting at your gates.
Even to think about her is understanding fully grown;
be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you.
She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her
and graciously shows herself to them as they go,
in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 62:2-8. R. v.2
(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Second Reading
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.
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Gospel Acclamation
Matthew 24:42. 44

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready:
you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel
Matthew 25:1-13
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five of them were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'
Communion Antiphon
Cf Psalm 22:1-2
The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose,
near restful waters he leads me.

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

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