



# CANNON HILL CATHOLIC PARISH

Under the pastoral care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate



*The call of Jesus Christ, heard within the Church through people's need for salvation, draws us together as Missionary Oblates of Mary.' (Oblate Constitution 1)*

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER / GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

26TH APRIL 2026

This fourth Sunday of the Easter season is sometimes called Good Shepherd Sunday because in each of the three lectionary cycles, the Gospel reading invites us to reflect on Jesus as the Good Shepherd. In each cycle the reading is from the tenth chapter of John's Gospel. This chapter sets the framework for Jesus' teaching about himself as the Good Shepherd.

Today's reading falls between the stories of Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the raising of Lazarus. Both of these stories were proclaimed in the Gospels found in this year's season of Lent. Following the controversy that ensued when Jesus healed the man born blind, Jesus directs his allegory about the sheep and the shepherd toward the Jewish religious leaders of his time, the Pharisees.

Throughout John's Gospel the Pharisees fail to accept Jesus' ministry and teaching. They show themselves to be "robbers and thieves" because they try to lead the sheep without entering through the gate, Jesus. Through these metaphors, Jesus is telling his listeners that those who follow him and his way will find abundant life. He identifies himself both as the shepherd and the gate. The shepherds who are faithful to him are the ones whom the sheep (Jesus' disciples) should follow.

The relationship between the sheep and their shepherd is based on familiarity. Sheep recognize their shepherd and will not follow a stranger. At the end of the day, shepherds lead their sheep from pastures to a common gated area called a sheepfold. There, one shepherd protects all of the sheep until the next day when each shepherd returns to lead his own sheep to pasture. As shepherds move among the sheep, the sheep follow only their shepherd.

Today's Gospel also gives us the opportunity to reflect on Christian leadership. Jesus' words suggest to us that those who will lead the Christian community will be known by their faithfulness to Jesus. The leaders will recognize that Jesus is the gate for all of the sheep and that having a good relationship with Jesus is the primary characteristic of a Christian leader. Jesus' allegory also suggests that faithful Christian leadership requires a good relationship with the community: the shepherd knows his sheep, and they know him. Christian leaders follow the example of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, by being faithful to him and by being a good shepherd.

Source: Loyola Press

### Good Shepherd

Painting by John Baptiste de Champaigne (1631 - 1681)  
17th century, oil on canvas  
Public Domain



## THE ODE

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning  
We will remember them.

Robert Laurence Binyon (1869-1943)

Learn more about "The Ode" here: <https://tinyurl.com/chp-theode>

See ANZAC Day reflection here: <https://majellan.media/sacrifice-honour-hope>



### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### First Reading - Acts 6:1-7

*They elected seven men filled with the Spirit and wisdom.*

#### Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 32

*R. Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.*

#### Second Reading - 1 Peter 2:4-9

*You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood.*

#### Gospel Reading - John 14:1-12

*I am the way, the truth, and the life.*

### Mass Intentions

26/04: Rosies, VIC & QLD

27/04: Iona College

28/04: Camberwell

29/04: St Alfred's, Shatin

30/04: Australian OMI's abroad

01/05: Fr General & Council

02/05: Fr Provincial & Council

## MASSES & MEETINGS

### Cannon Hill - St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Church:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - 9:00am  
Saturday - 6:00pm; Sunday - 9:30am

### Tingalpa - Holy Family Catholic Church:

Thursday - 9:00am; Sunday - 8:00am

**Reconciliation:** Saturday, 5:00pm - 5:30pm - St Oliver Plunkett Church

**Prayer Intentions Prayer Group:** Every Friday at 9.30am - St Oliver Plunkett Church (exc. during Lent).

**Eucharistic Adoration:** 1st Friday of the month following 9:00am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church (except during Lent).

**Baptisms:** 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month held after the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. (*Welcoming Mass combined with the Baptism Mass.*)

**Little Lanterns Liturgy:** 1st Sunday of the month (except January) during the 9:30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. All primary school-aged children are welcome to attend.

**Hospitality - Parish Morning Tea:** 1st Sunday of the month following Mass at both Churches; Every Wednesday after 9:00am Mass in the Parish Hall.

## THIS WEEKEND...

**25 APR - SAT: ANZAC Day Mass, 9:00am;** Feast of St Mark, Evangelist.

**26 APR - SUN:** Good Shepherd Sunday; 63rd World Day of Prayer for Vocations; Baptisms, 9.30am

## COMING UP...

**01 MAY - FRI:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 9.30am, SOPC; Feast of St Joseph the Worker; Month of Mary begins.

**03 MAY - SUN:** Little Lanterns Liturgy, during 9.30am Mass, SOPC; Morning Tea following Mass, All welcome.

**07 MAY - THU:** Connect Dinner, 6pm, Parish Hall.

**10 MAY - SUN:** Mother's Day

**17 MAY - SUN:** World Communications Day

**21 MAY - THU: Feast of St Eugene de Mazenod,** 9:00am Mass at SOPC followed by morning tea; Connect Dinner, 6pm, Parish Hall.

## REGULAR MEETINGS

**MON: Cannon Hill St Vincent de Paul Conference**

Fortnightly at 6:15pm

Next meeting: **Monday, 27th April**

Contact: Paul 0418 750 367

**TUE: Parish Leadership Team**

Fortnightly at 6:00pm

Next Meeting: **Tuesday, 5th May**

**WED: Parish Liturgy Meeting**

Monthly at 4:30pm

Next Meeting: **Wednesday, TBA**

**THU: Parish Finance Council Meeting**

Bi-monthly at 4:30pm

Next Meeting: **Thursday, 28th May**

### Plate Collections - 19th April 2026

1st Collection (Oblates): \$457.20 | 2nd Collection (Parish): \$332.00

*Thank you for your ongoing support.*

## THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL

*I am the gate of the sheepfold.*

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 brigand. 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.'

### THIS WEEK'S READINGS

**First Reading - Acts 2:14, 36-41**

*God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.*

**Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 22**

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

**Second Reading - 1 Peter 1:20-25**

*You had gone astray but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.*

**Gospel Reading - John 10:1-10**

*I am the gate of the sheepfold.*



*Only the one who pauses, listens, prays and welcomes the Shepherd's gaze can say with confidence: "I trust him; life with him can truly be beautiful. I want to walk this path of beauty." What is most extraordinary is that, in becoming his disciple, one truly becomes "beautiful"; his beauty transforms us.*

Pope Leo XIV, for Vocations Sunday, April 2026



### Eucharist Adoration Friday, 1st May

(1st Friday of Every Month)

**St Oliver Plunkett Church at 9.30am**

*"Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."*

Matthew 11:28



### FLOCKNOTE

Be part of our community by joining our official parish database. All parishioners and visitors are warmly invited to sign up or update your contact details to receive the latest news, events, and updates from Cannon Hill Parish.

Stay informed, stay involved!

To register or go to:

[www.cannonhillparish.flocknote.com/register](http://www.cannonhillparish.flocknote.com/register)

# PARISH NEWS AND NOTICES

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

### OUR SICK

Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is sick and would appreciate a home visit. **We pray for those in the community who are sick. May the healing spirit of Christ bring them comfort and hope.**

Anna Slawek, Gary Smith, Margaret Kykkanen, Lameki Eketi, Damon Stokes; Eli Jorna, Marina Gilbert, Edgar Tan, Vincy Law Tan, Sam Swann, Athol Young, Ken Drego, Karen Marrinan, Carol-Ann Marrinan, Jeanette Hill, Lucia Giaccio, Rob Connolly, Ashley Anthony, Daniel Normyle, Lani Clow, Carol Flannigan, Catherine, Elizabeth and Monika, Harry Lynas, Michael Simpson, John la Spina, Von Leeman, Imelda Khoo, Lorretta Stephenson, Brian Crimmins, Angela White, Mary Stevenson, Veronica Roberts, Melisa Duffy.

### RECENTLY DECEASED

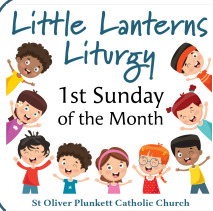
Chris Kelly

### ANNIVERSARIES

Ruth Magdoza

## BAPTISMS

We are delighted to welcome **Finley Cook** as his baptism is celebrated in our parish this Sunday. *May God's peace, joy, and protection be with him and his family on this joyous occasion and throughout their lives.*



### Little Lanterns Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will be held next Sunday during the 9.30am Mass at St Oliver Plunkett Church. The children will begin in the church, move to the hall for some fun activities, and then return to rejoin the Mass. All primary school-aged children are welcome. Smaller children will need a parent in attendance.



### SUNDAY HOSPITALITY NEXT SUNDAY

Join us after Mass next Sunday for coffee, tea and cake. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet and mingle with other parishioners. All are welcome!

### WELCOME PACKS

New to the Parish? We welcome you to our church community! To help you feel at home, we have prepared a special welcome pack filled with useful information and a small gift. We hope it helps you get acquainted with our community and the various activities. Packs are available in the church foyer. Please take one home with you.

### National Redress Scheme

The Australian Government's National Redress Scheme has released its latest update for 2026.

Established on 1 July 2018, the Scheme provides support to people who experienced institutional child sexual abuse.

As at 28 February 2026, the Scheme had received 75,643 applications, with more than \$1.91 billion in payments made to over 21,000 survivors.

The February data also highlights the continued over representation of vulnerable groups among applicants, with 34.1% identifying as First Nations people and 29.4% identifying as living with a disability.

As a community of faith, we are encouraged to be aware of the Scheme and the services it provides. For more information, please visit <https://www.nationalredress.gov.au>

## THANK YOU!



Caritas Australia sincerely thanks you for your generous support of Project Compassion this Lent.

If you still have your Project Compassion box or donation envelope at home, **please return by 30th April**. Every contribution, no matter the size, helps to bring hope and opportunity to people experiencing poverty and injustice.

### St Oliver Plunkett Catholic Primary School

Principal: Mr Greg Cran  
APRE: Maree Cockerill (Acting)  
Phone: (07) 3902 2100  
Out of School Hours Care: Phone: (07) 3899 0952



### Iona College Catholic Boys College

Principal: Mr Trevor Goodwin  
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### OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday: 9.00am - 2.30pm

### ADDRESS

**St Oliver Plunkett Church & Parish Centre**

21 Beauvardia St, Cannon Hill Q 4170

### Church of the Holy Family

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(enter via 56 Palgrave St)

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### WEBSITE

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### FACEBOOK

Cannon Hill Catholic Parish

### PARISH TEAM

**Parish Administrator:** Fr John Patrick OMI  
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**Administration Support:** Ronda Vorrasi  
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**Local Safeguarding Rep:** Ronda Vorrasi  
Mobile: 0494 166 815

### Parish Leadership Team:

Sachin Rasquinha, Ronda Vorrasi, Guy Elliott, Michael Hill, Lawrence Swann



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From the moment the Oblates arrived in Fremantle in 1894, they have dedicated themselves to the mission of the Church in Australia. They dedicate themselves to serving the poor in parishes, schools, prisons, among the youth and with those on the streets. The Oblates preach Christ to the poor and the most abandoned and have served them in Australia for more than 100 years.

To learn more go to [www.omi.com.au](http://www.omi.com.au)

### DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you for your ongoing generosity and faithful support. Your contributions play a vital role in sustaining our parish ministries and enriching the lives of those we serve.

Donations can be made via the EFTPOS terminal at the church entrance (split between 1st and 2nd collections), or through our secure online direct debit facility (please contact the Parish Office to arrange).

For information regarding bequests, contact the Catholic Foundation on 3324 3200 or the Parish Office on 3853 7490. Donate using the QR Code or <https://tinyurl.com/parish-donate>



# OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS




## World Day of Prayer for Vocations

26 APRIL GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY



See more here <https://vocationbrisbane.com>



**Hope in Action**  
A Dialogue on Mission

Catholic Mission warmly invites you to a special evening of faith and fellowship as we welcome His Eminence Cardinal Charles Maung Bo, Archbishop of Yangon and Myanmar's first and only Cardinal.


Join us as Cardinal Bo shares his inspiring vision of "Hope in Action" - educating and empowering Myanmar's next generation to build a more peaceful, just and hopeful future.

Your generous contributions will support the enduring mission and activities of the Church in Myanmar.



**Registration essential at**  
<https://tinyurl.com/CMCardinalBo>

SCAN THE QR CODE TO BOOK



**Saturday 2nd May 2026**

**Time:**  
4:15 pm for a 4:30 pm start followed by Mass at 6:00 pm

**Venue:**  
Hanly Room | Francis Rush Centre  
St Stephen's Cathedral  
196 Charlotte St, Brisbane



2026

## Theology of the Body

ONE DAY IMMERSION

Join us for an introductory TOB program exploring the fullness of love, life and purpose through a day of fun and formation.

**St. Francis Hall,  
West End  
Good Shepherd Parish.**

2nd May 2026. \$30 incl. meals.  
For 14-19 yr olds

To register or any queries:  
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