



Wodonga Catholic Parish

Including Bethanga, Dederang, Mt Beauty and Tangambalanga Communities



**St Augustine's Church
Wodonga**

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Monday to Friday

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Fr Shibu Pezhumthottathil
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Sister Eileen Reardon
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WEEKEND MASSES
WODONGA
Sacred Heart Church
Saturday 6:00 pm.
Sunday 8:30 am 10:30 am
4th Sunday of each month
Youth Mass 5:00 pm

TANGAMBALANGA
Our Lady Help of Christians
2nd & 4th Sunday 10:30 am

BETHANGA
St Francis
2nd Sunday 12 noon

DEDERANG
St Joseph's
1st & 3rd Sunday 10:30 am
5th Sunday 10:30 am

Liturgy of The Word
and Communion

MT BEAUTY
St Joseph's
1st to 4th Sunday 8:30 am
5th Sunday 8:30 am
Liturgy of The Word
and Communion

WEEKDAY MASS:
Sacred Heart Church
Monday: Liturgy of the Word
9:15 am
Mass: Tuesday to Friday
9:15 am
St Augustine's Church
Saturday 9:30 am

RECONCILIATION:
Sacred Heart Church
Saturday 9:00 - 9:30 am
Country Churches
Before Masses

~YEAR C~

January 13th-2019 The Baptism of The Lord.

Focus on the Feast

Jesus' Baptism by John is recorded in all the four Gospels. Matthew 3:13-17 is the most detailed, then Mark 1:9-11, and then Luke 3:21-22 and John's version is only a reference of the Spirit coming down and resting on Christ, John 1:32-34. Each account gives its own nuance to the event but all share that the Holy Spirit came down and rested on Jesus.

Christian Art for 1,900 years lacked the technic of motion pictures. The artist had to telescope time frames into one still picture. Therefore we have many depictions of Christ's Baptism in mosaics, oil and stone of the one scene of Jesus in the Jordan river: John pouring the water, the heavens opening and the Holy Spirit descending like a dove and the words: "This is my Son, the Beloved, my favour rests on him" (Matt) or "You are my Son, the Beloved, my favour rests on you." (Mark & Luke) Did everything happen together at the same time? The scriptures, in fact, attest that the heavens opened, the spirit descended and the voice heard after Jesus had come out of the river.

Today's Gospel according to Luke (Year C) has a greater time delay: After all the people had gone, and while Jesus was by himself at prayer the voice of God was heard: "You are my Son, the Beloved, my favour rests on you." In Luke's tradition Jesus is at prayer at significant moments (5:16, 6:12, 9:18, 9:29, 11:1, 22:41). Also prayer precedes divine revelation here and especially in his second work, the coming down of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost: Acts 1:13-14, 2:1-4.

Plenary Council 2020

What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?

Have your say:

Everyone's experience of faith and the Church is unique and it is important that the Plenary Council hear responses from as many people as possible. Invite your friends and family to have a conversation about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia. Ask everyone— "What do you think God is asking of us at this time?"

How?

Pray & Take one of these options:

In our Parish: Fill out the Plenary Council Card and put it in the box provided at the back of the Church

Online: Visit: <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/have-your-say/>

Also see: [Plenary Council Facebook Page](#) & [Plenary Council Twitter Account](#)

By Post: For questions, ideas or suggestions for the Plenary Council Facilitation Team, please send a message to: PO Box 747, North Sydney, NSW 2059



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

~Parish News ~

Recent Deaths:

Mary Curtis (relative of Chris Cotter)

Anniversaries:

Dot Dunstan, George Sandford

Sick:

Zak Oliver, Salome Ramirez, Ric Glavocih, Mary Shaddock, Ricky Ellul, Pat Gibson, John Radcliffe, Hayden Sampson, parishioners who are ill, their families & Carers.

Welcome: Our parish extends a very warm welcome to Fr Shibu. We assure him of our support and friendship and trust that he will feel at home with us.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

PLEASE NOTE: As from Saturday **19th January** until Saturday **9th February**, inclusive, Reconciliation on Saturdays will take place at St Augustine's Church at 9.00am followed by Mass as usual at 9.30am.

Baptism Preparation

Preparation evenings are held on the first Tuesday of each month. **Our next Preparation evening is on Tuesday 5th February at 7:00 pm in the Parish Centre.** Parents of children to be baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Evening, as it is a pre-requisite in our Parish. Godparents are also welcome. *For information or to register Contact: Sonni at The Parish Centre: 6024 3366 OR E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au.*

Readings this week:

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7

Luke 3:15-16, 21-2

Reading next week

Isaiah 62:1-5

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

John 2:1-11

ROSTERS: 20th January 2019

Sacred Heart Cleaning: Peter & Trish

Sacred Heart Altar : Jenny & Mary

Lector 1

6.00pm Marg Ware

8.30am Barry Jackson

10.30am Ampy Clark

Lector 2

David Gill

John Barrat

Janet Miller

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK TEAM 3:

Helen Collins, Bernie & Julie Jones, Gerard Peeters

NEXT WEEK: - TEAM 4:

Margo Dare, Pauline Acott, Kath Didier, Kate McAlinden Graeme Stewart

Mt Beauty - 20th January - 8.30am

Lector: Roseanna

Back up: Deb

Eucharistic Ministers: Roseanna & Volunteer

Commentator: Mary-Anne

January Mowing Roster: John

DEDERANG 20th- January - 10.30am

First Reading/Second Reading: Sharon Coulston

Welcome/Psalm/Prayer of Faithful: McEvoy Family

PowerPoint: Diane Goonan

Offertory: Kirley

Cleaning: Mary Read

Responsorial Psalm: Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Alleluia!

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.