

Wodonga Parish Centre 283 Beechworth Road

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Office Hours

9:30 am - 3:00 pm

Monday to Friday

Parish Priest

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Pastoral Associate

Sister Eileen Reardon

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Weekend Masses Wodonga

Sacred Heart Church

Saturday @ 5:00 pm.

Sunday @ 8:30 am & 10.30 am

Tangambalanga

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

Dederang

St Joseph's 1st & 3rd Sunday @ 10.30 am Mass

Mt Beauty

St Joseph's Sunday @ 8.30 am

5th Sunday - No Mass

Tallangatta

St Michael's Church 2nd & 4th Sunday - @ 11:00 am

Corryong:

Sacred Heart Church 2nd & 4th Sunday @8:30 am

Walwa: Christ The King 2nd & 4th Saturday @ 4:00 pm

Sandy Creek St Michaels 5th Sunday @ 8:30 am

Mitta St Joseph's Church 5th Sunday @11:00 am

Weekday Mass:

Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga

Tuesday to Friday @9:15 am

Saturday

St Augustine's Church

Saturday 9.30 am Reconciliation:

Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga

Saturday 9:00 am:

Country Churches: Before Mass.

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INCORPORATING

SACRED HEART CHURCH, Beechworth Rd Wodonga, ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, High St Wodonga, ST FRANCIS, Bethanga, OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS, Tangambalanga, ST. JOSEPH'S Dederang, ST. JOSEPH'S Mt. Beauty & Parishes of Tallangatta & Corryong.

Acknowledgement of Country

We, Wodonga Catholic Parish, acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land where our churches, schools and buildings are located. We pay our respect to the Aboriginal people and Elders past and present whose spirits dwell in this land. May the spirit of this ancient land be always with us.

January 22nd - 2023 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Looking at the Readings:

The Gospel of this Sunday, Matthew gives the account of the beginning of Christ's public ministry in three ways. First Christ fulfils the prophecy of Isaiah in bringing light into a darkened world; secondly he continues to preach the message of John the Baptist: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand". And thirdly Christ chooses his first apostles who will be with him from the outset to the end. His mission is to proclaim the Good News, bring forth the kingdom of peace, justice, mercy and love and establish the enduring community of faith. At the end of his public ministry, before he ascends to the Father he entrusts his mission to the apostles he has chosen, empowered and commissioned. We also hear the call to follow and to spread the good news in word and action.

An Australia Day Prayer:



Lord we thank you for the diversity of this land and its people; for its contrasts of landscape and climate, for its abundance of wealth and opportunity.

Our history, with all its struggle in adversity, its courage and hope. For the first Australians, who knew and loved this continent with an intimate sensitivity; for the courage and sacrifice of the early settlers and the many peoples who now call Australia home.

Lord, in our diversity give us respect and tolerance for one another and a passionate commitment to justice for all.

Amen.

Bruce Prewer from his book, 'Australian Prayers'

Parish bulletin coming weekends.

Wodonga Parish Planned Giving Renewal

Over the coming weeks, from **28th January to 12th March**, we will be conducting a Planned Giving Renewal. This will be directed by Mr Stephen Littleton and Mr Frank Schobben of Parish First Pty Ltd, who have led our Renewal Programs previously. They will be assisted by our Parish Team. On the weekends of **28th and 29th January and 4th and 5th February**, Parish Censes Cards will be distributed at all Masses. The Census enables the parish database to be updated and identifies active parish families.

We will appreciate your participation and assure all that your information

remains confidential. Further dates and information will be published in the

Parish News

Recent Deaths:

John Brown, Fr Peter Quinn,

Anniversaries:

Helen Jackson-Leahy,

Kath Twycross, Marie McGowan, Peter McGowan, Ivy Valda Rooney, Patrick Sinnott.

Sick:

Michael McCormick, John Hodson, Ricky Ellul, Robert Anderson, Kerstin Lancaster, Salome Ramirez, Mary Shaddock, parishioners

PLEASE NOTE:

<u>The Parish Centre</u> will be open on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30 am to Midday during the month of January.

Reconciliation

During Fr Junjun's absence, Reconciliation on Saturdays, from 4th January to 8th February inclusive, will be at St Augustine's Church at 9.00 am prior to Mass at 9.30 am.

<u>Wodonga Masses:</u> <u>Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga:</u>

Tuesday 24th January to Friday 27th January

Tuesday, 24th January: No Mass at 9:15 am Wednesday, 25th January: Mass at 9:15am

Australia Day, Thursday 26th January

Mass: Sacred Heart Church at 9:15 am.

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed.

Friday 27th January:

Mass at 8.30am - CEW Opening Mass:

Celebrated by Bishop Shane Mackinlay.

Rosters - 28th & 29th January 2023

Sacred Heart Cleaning; Volunteers

<u>Sacred Heart Altar</u>: Jennifer & Mary

Lector 1 Lector 2

5.00pm Dave Seiter Marilynn Seiter
8.30am Des Lonergan Maureen Lonergan
10.30am Jean Tabra Christian Bashimbe

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK TEAM 2:

Val Mulqueeney, Rob Saric, Zennon McCarty

NEXT WEEK: - TEAM 3:

Bernard & Julie Jones. Gerard Peeters

Mt Beauty - 29th January-8.30 am

Lector: Fran

Back up: Roseanna

Commentator: Bruce

Dederang - 5th February 10.30 am

First/Second Reading: Alanna Kirley

Welcome/Prayers of Faithful: Sharon Coulston

PowerPoint: Harrison Fischer

LENTEN PROGRAM: The Wodonga Parish is very excited to be able to present a program by Archbishop Mark Coleridge. Further details will be given in the Parish bulletin over the next few weeks. There will be 2 sessions per week. One during the day as well as an evening session.

For further information: **Gerri Boldrini**. **0438206082**

Readings this week:

Isaiah 8:23-9:3

1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17

Matthew 4:12-23

Readings next week

Zephaniah 2:3, 3:12-13

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Matthew 5:1-12

<u>Responsorial Psalm</u>: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good

News of the kingdom and healed all who

were sick. Alleluia!

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.