



# Wodonga Catholic Parish

## 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.

## February 12th - 2023 : Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

### 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.

## Wodonga Catholic Parish 2023 Renewal Program

Our Program commences next weekend. It is an important time in the life of our parish and gives us a wonderful opportunity to reflect on what it means to be part of our special communities.

The Program aims to increase engagement and improve the stewardship of Wodonga Catholic Parish resources and faith development. It will be coordinated by Frank Schobben from Parish First Pty Ltd who will be supported and assisted by our Parish Centre staff and the Renewal Program Team comprising members of the WCP Parish Pastoral Council and the WCP Parish Finance Team.

Over the course of three weekends we will reflect on different themes, you will receive special materials and hear from different speakers.

The key dates are:

### Week 1 – Program 'LAUNCH' Weekend – Sat 18 & Sun 19 February

Program brochures will be distributed. Renewal Program team members will speak at all Masses to launch the Program, share their experiences of parish life and encourage parishioners to become involved.

### Week 2 – Parish 'ENGAGEMENT' Weekend – Sat 25 & Sun 26 February

Groups and Ministries forms will be distributed and Frank Schobben will speak during Mass to highlight Parish Groups & Ministries involvement, current finances and future priorities.

### Week 3 – Parish 'COMMITMENT' Weekend – Sat 4 & Sun 5 March

This will be your opportunity to make your contribution through your financial pledge commitment and involvement in our Groups & Ministries. Frank Schobben will speak at all Masses.

### New Commitments

All new financial pledge commitments take effect from Sunday 2 April.

We encourage you to be actively involved in this important activity in the life of our parish. Read the hand-out materials, listen to the speakers and follow the Program news with weekly updates on our parish website and through SMS and email updates.

Together, let us pray for the success of the Program. *Fr Junjun*

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9:30 am - 3:00 pm  
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Parish Priest  
Father Junjun Amaya  
0459-356-917  
Priest  
Father Uday Kumar Marneni ALCP/OSS.  
0422-814-178  
Father Adi Indra  
6024-3366  
Pastoral Associate  
Sister Eileen Reardon  
0458 327 554 (Mt Beauty)

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.

## WODONGA ROSTERS 18TH & 19TH FEBRUARY 2023

**SACRED HEART CLEANING:** Volunteers

**SACRED HEART ALTAR:** Dot Larkin, Carmel Gannon

<b>MASS TIMES:</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
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<b>Altar Servers:</b> Volunteer <b>Lector 1:</b> Ha Ngo <b>Lector 2:</b> Juliana Vaughan	<b>Altar Servers:</b> Volunteer <b>Lector 1:</b> Luci Saric <b>Lector 2:</b> Barry Jackson	<b>Altar Servers:</b> Volunteer <b>Lector 1:</b> Ampy Clark <b>Lector 2:</b> Jean Tabra
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### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 pm Denise, Joy and Pam	8:30 am John A, John B & Erris	10:30 am Jacinta, Gerri & Lucette
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Children's Liturgy:

8.30 am & 10.30 am

### COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 12TH FEBRUARY

**THIS WEEK: TEAM 5:** Margo Keat, Gerry & Marion Fitzpatrick  
**NEXT WEEK: TEAM 6:** Marg Whitehead, John Barrat, Des Lonergan

#### MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 19TH FEBRUARY

**LECTOR:** Mary-Anne  
  
**Backup:** Jenny  
  
**COMMENTATOR:** Gail

#### DEDERANG ROSTERS: 19TH FEBRUARY

**FIRST / SECOND READING:** Sharon Coulston  
  
**WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL:** Alanna Kirley  
  
**POWERPOINT:** Diane Goonan

## Gospel: Matthew 5:20-22, 27-28, 33-34, 37

Jesus said to his disciples:

I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven.

'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court.

'You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say this to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

'Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you: do not swear at all. All you need say is "Yes" if you mean yes, "No" if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one.'

#### Readings this week:

Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20  
 1 Corinthians 2:6-10  
 Matthew 5:17-37

#### Readings next week

Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18  
 1 Corinthians 3:16-23  
 Matthew 5:38-48

#### Responsorial Psalm :

Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

#### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

#### Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.

# What's happening in our Parish

## Recent Deaths:

Valerie Phefley, Marie Williams (Carmel Smith's sister), Mary Dower

## Anniversaries:

Mary Kalc, Marcelina & Andre Afonso, Cliff Robinson.

## Sick:

Michael McCormick, John Hodson, Ricky Ellul, Robert Anderson, Salome Ramirez, Kerstin Lancaster, Mary Shaddock, parishioners who are ill, their families & Carers.

## We Want to Hear from You:



SCAN ME

Scan this QR Code with your phone and fill a short survey to help us prepare any future spiritual formation series for our Parish.

Thank you.



## Welcome St Francis of Assisi

### Primary School :

**Thursday February 16th**

**Morning Mass will be celebrated at 10am**

as we will be joined by staff and students of St Francis of Assisi Primary School, who are celebrating the School's Welcoming Mass

**Parishioners Please Note: There will be no Morning Mass on Wednesday February 15th in Sacred Heart Church Wodonga.**



We are committed to the  
NATIONAL CATHOLIC  
SAFEGUARDING STANDARDS

## A Safe Parish Is a Shared Responsibility:

Our Parish Safety Officer is  
Sonia La Motte-Schubert  
Ph: 60243366

**Towards Healing helpline Ph: 1800 816 030**  
(free call)

**Lifeline is a non-profit Organisation**

**FREE 24-hour Crisis Support Ph: 13 11 14**

*Wodonga Catholic*  
**Wodonga Catholic Parish Youth Presents.....**

**Laser Tag**

**WHEN:**  
**SUNDAY THE 19TH OF FEBRUARY,**  
**BEGINNING 4:30PM .**  
**WHERE:**  
**(204-208 NORTH ST, NORTH ALBURY NSW 2640)**  
**WHO: ANYONE AGED 12-18! WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU THERE**

**RSVP: By the 14th Of FEB**  
<https://www.trybooking.com/CFUSC>



**PLEASE ALSO WEAR ENCLOSED SHOES.**

## The KSC Need Your Support:

### Bunnings Wodonga BBQ:

The Knights of the Southern Cross will be conducting a Bunnings BBQ this Sunday February 12th.

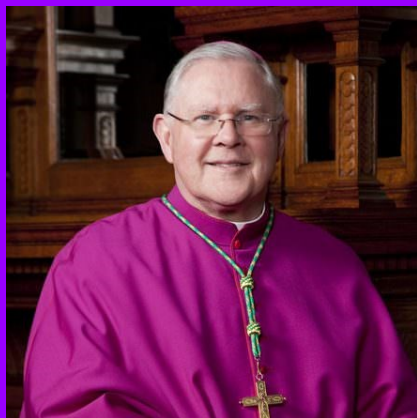
We would appreciate any help from within the Parish during two hour shifts, between 8am and 4pm.

Profits from this BBQ assist with running our branch, our Parish and other charitable works.

**Contact Des Lonergan: 0408 575 825**

**John Coleman: 0401 555 160**





## Wodonga Catholic Parish Lenten Program 2023

Archbishop Mark Coleridge, in 7 Video sessions, will present the meaning of how to .....

***“Live biblically in a secular world.”***

*Lent is a time to grow closer to Jesus.*

### Commencing:

Monday, February 20th.

Sacred Heart Church Meeting Room, in the Foyer of Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga

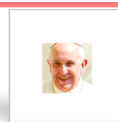
Monday Session Times: Day Session: 2pm to 4pm - Evening Session 6.15pm to 8.15pm

Contacts; Day sessions, Gerri 0438206082. Evening sessions, Marie 0407200773.

### Focus on the Readings

Ben Sirach wrote: "God, himself created human beings in the beginning, and then left them free to make their own decisions". Eccles 15:14 RNJB, one verse shy of today's first reading. The French philosopher Jean-Paul Sartre came up with the term, "Condemned to Freedom" and since creation, Ben and John-Paul, we have struggled with our freedom and our conscience. To go further we have the choice of life and happiness, or death and wretchedness. God responds according to our choices with blessings or condemnation.

St Paul bridges the first reading with the Gospel, calling to mind God's wisdom in which we find life and glory. And Jesus took the commands of the Old Testament and with his words of wisdom asked his listeners to not only make the right choices but go deeper, the extra mile, and beyond just the letter of the law but to practise it's real meaning and spirit. Again from creation we are free and responsible, peaceful and happy, loving and faithful, yet we need to discern what is good and have the will and grace to do it



### Pope Francis Tweets:



*I was deeply saddened to learn of the huge loss of life caused by the earthquake in [#Türkiye](#) and in [#Syria](#). Entrusting those who have died to the loving mercy of the Almighty, I pray for the emergency personnel involved in the ongoing relief efforts.*



### Upcoming Parish Events: Save the Dates:

**WCP Planned Giving Program continues.....**

**Parish Centre Morning Tea: FEB 14th**

**WCP Youth Event: FEB 19th**

### Prayer of the Week:

Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

They are happy whose life is blameless,  
who follow God's law!

They are happy who do his will,  
seeking him with all their hearts.

Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

*Psalms 118:1-2*