



Wodonga Catholic Parish

INCORPORATING

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



May 28th - 2023 : Pentecost Sunday

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.

From our Pope: ~ Pentecost Homily 2022



Holy Spirit invites us to forget ourselves and to open our hearts to all. In that way, he makes the Church grow young. We need to remember this: the Spirit rejuvenates the Church. The Church cannot be "programmed" nor are efforts at "modernization" enough: The Spirit liberates us from obsession with emergencies. He beckons us to walk his paths, ever ancient and ever new, the paths of witness, poverty and mission, and in this way, he sets us free from ourselves and sends us forth into the world.

Looking at the Gospels:

"O breathe on me, breath of God, Fill me with life a-new" is a classical hymn written by Edwin Hatch in 1878 and published in 321 hymn books. Each verse begins with the same words: "Breathe on me, breath of God. The breath of God is heard at the dawn of creation (Gen 1:2; 2:7), it enlivens the dry bones in Ezekiel's vision (Ezek 37:9-10 – the vigil of Pentecost third reading) and Jesus breathes on the apostles to receive the Holy Spirit (John 20:22, Gospel) The breath of God is life-giving, renewing and it symbolises the coming of the Holy Spirit. Pentecost commemorates the marvellous acts of God from creation, resurrection of Christ, the inauguration of the new covenant and the birth of the Church.

The liturgy of Pentecost transcends time by constantly making present the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, the gifts of the Spirit and the graces of the mystery on each one of us. The readings of the Liturgy of the Word are very familiar to us. May we hear them anew and let the words refresh us in our faith and actions.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth.

Quote for the Day

Let us not doubt that when on Pentecost the Holy Spirit filled the Lord's disciples, he was not giving his gift for the first time but was rather extending a gift already given. The patriarchs, the prophets, the priests, and all the saints of earlier times were nourished by the same sanctifying spirit. No sacrament was ever instituted, no mystery ever celebrated, that did not involve his grace. The power of his gifts had ever been the same, though the gifts had not previously been given in so great a measure. Leo the Great, Sermon 76

Liturgical Jottings: Pentecost: This feast that marks the end of the great fifty days of rejoicing of Easter. Its name is derived from the Greek "Pentecoste" – fifty days" and in turn from the Hebrew "Shabuoth or Chavuoit", the feast of weeks. In one way we can say it is the first of the Christian feasts because it pre-dates Christ. Pentecost/Chavout was a feast of thanksgiving for the wheat harvest and in time came the feast of the celebration of the covenants given to Noah and Abraham and then to Moses at the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai. Christians celebrate the feast as the giving or descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples (Acts 2:1-14). From Ascension to Pentecost the Collect Prayers give a particular emphasis on the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit brings renewal, gifts, unity and leads us to truth and eternal life.

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Safe Guarding Officer:
Sonia LaMotte-Schubert : 60243366

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 3rd & 4th June

SACRED HEART CLEANING: Volunteers

SACRED HEART ALTAR: Volunteers

MASS TIMES:	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:30 am
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Altar Servers: Volunteers Lector 1: Meryl Brown Lector 2: Juliana Vaughan	Altar Servers: Volunteers Lector 1: Marg Pallot Lector 2: Volunteer	Altar Servers: Volunteers Lector 1: Christian Bashimbe Lector 2: Ampy Clark
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Eucharistic Ministers 3rd & 4th June

5:00 pm: Mick, David & Helen	8:30 am: Dave, Pat & Anne T	10:30 am: Yves, Peter & Jean
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Children's Liturgy:

8.30 am & 10.30 am—Children's Liturgy Team

Counters This Weekend

<u>THIS WEEK: TEAM: 10</u>	John Dunstan, Frank Hanrahan, Gloria Humpage, Mavis Hyndman
<u>NEXT WEEK: TEAM 1:</u>	John Dwyer, Mick Bone, Greg & Maureen Baker, John Foley

MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 4TH JUNE

LECTOR: Gail

Backup: Bruce

COMMENTATOR: Peter

DEDERANG ROSTERS: JUNE 4TH

FIRST / SECOND READING: Judy Brewer

WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL: Alanna Kirley

POWERPOINT: Harrison Fischer

Gospel: John 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews.
 Jesus came and stood among them.
 He said to them,
 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side.
 The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord,
 and he said to them again,
 'Peace be with you.
 'As the Father sent me,
 so am I sending you.'
 After saying this he breathed on them and said:
 'Receive the Holy Spirit.
 For those whose sins you forgive,
 they are forgiven;
 for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Readings this week:

Acts 2:1-11
 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13
 John 20:19-23

Readings next week:

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9
 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
 John 3:16-18

Responsorial Psalm :

Lord, send out your Spirit
 and renew the face of the earth.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.
 Alleluia!

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.

What's happening in our Parish

Recent Deaths: Natalia Jurič

Anniversaries: Eileen Shannon, Edie Larkin, Jack Love, Zvonko (John) Bicanic, Michael Patrick Walsh

Sick: Terry Maw, John Hodson, Zoey La Motte-Schubert, Ricky Ellul, Robert Anderson, Salome Ramirez, Kerstin Lancaster, Mary Shaddock, parishioners who are ill, their families & Carers.

Pentecost Sunday Multicultural Masses & BBQ Lunch!

Join us after 10:30am Mass
For Our Parish **BBQ**

Wodonga Catholic Parish will again celebrate our diverse community at all weekend Masses on Sunday May 28th, Pentecost Sunday.

As we are rich in cultural backgrounds, Frs. Junjun, Uday, Adi and the members of the PPC, invite all parishioners to join in this celebration.

A BBQ will be provided after the 10:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga.


Please bring a plate to share (perhaps a traditional dish) with a BBQ lunch.

Wear your cultural/traditional dress and enjoy our rich and diverse community.

WCP Youth

The WCP Youth Team welcomed 25 First Reconciliation Candidates and their families back to Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga for games, pizza and prayer last Sunday evening, the 21st of June. A great night was had by all!

A special thanks to the our local branch of the Knights of the Southern Cross for sponsoring the Pizzas for the night.

 **Parishioners:** Did you know you can request our Bulletin by email? You can also view the latest and previous Bulletins on our Facebook page.

Please go to our FaceBook Page @ <https://www.facebook.com/wodongacatholicparish/> or our website. Please go to: www.wodongacatholicparish.com.au



Position Available

Wodonga Catholic Parish is seeking to fill a casual position of Housekeeper/Cleaner for the presbytery.

The purpose of the Housekeeper/Cleaner is to provide effective and timely housekeeping services to ensure the smooth and efficient running of the presbytery household.



Interested?

Please contact Sonia La Motte-Schubert (Sonni) at the Parish Centre via
E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au or PH:02 6024 3366 for a copy of the position description.

What's happening in our Parish

A Safe Parish Is a Shared Responsibility:



Towards Healing helpline Free Call

Ph: 1800 816 030

Lifeline is a non-profit Organisation FREE 24-hour Crisis

Support Ph: 13 11 14.

if you have any concerns please contact our Parish

Safe Guarding Officer Sonia La Motte-Schubert

Ph: 60243366 Or refer to our safeguarding reporting

process poster which is available in your church foyer.

Do you volunteer for our Parish?



Is your information up to date?

Do you require help to apply for your Working with
Children Card or National Police Check?

Contact Sonni in our Parish Centre Ph: 60243366



Diocese of Sandhurst : Sandpiper News:

Did you know you may now view the
Sandpiper via the following link:

[https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/news-a-events3/
subscribe-to-sandpiper-e-news](https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/news-a-events3/subscribe-to-sandpiper-e-news) OR

TO SUBSCRIBE www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au and click
'Sandpiper e-News'

Do you have a story you'd like to share?

**You are more than welcome to email a story to the editor
Katrina, or if you don't have the inclination to write.... Just
give Katrina a call and a story can be created from there.**

CONTACT THE EDITOR editor@sandhurst.catholic.org.au
M: 0419 015 696 (Katrina)

Financial News:

Project Compassion:

Project Compassion Receipts are now ready for collection
from the Parish Center.

FYI: The total collected from our Parish for Project Compassion
was \$5, 919.30. Thank you for your generosity.

Holy Land Commissariat Good Friday Appeal

FYI: The total collected for the Holy Land Commissariat Good
Friday Appeal from our Parish was \$1,487.70.

A Big Thank You Parishioners:

The Power of Prayer Book:



The power of prayer has been
beautifully created by the
St Columbans Mission Society. A mix of
Prayers, scripture and reflection in
Audio-Visual and written form

Now available for you in our gift shop,
for \$8:00 and only 20 copies available.

Selling fast!

Save Calvary Hospital

**The ACT Government intends to forcibly
acquire Calvary Catholic Hospital,
Canberra. Catholic hospitals have
faithfully served the Australian
community for 170 years.**

**The actions by the ACT government are
an abuse of property rights and religious
freedom.**

**For more information and to sign a
petition in support of Calvary, visit
www.savecalvary.com.au**



Happy 90th Birthday Tony

On Sunday May 21st -1933,
Tony Conway made his way in
to our world.

Wodonga Catholic Parish,
Parishioners and Clergy extend
our best wishes to Tony.

We are sure Tony had a
wonderful celebration with
family and friends!
90 Years young!



At a Pentecost Harvest
Festival some years ago,
home grown vegetables
were placed in front of the Altar. The priest
asked the children if they could name them
all?

The replies were, potatoes, carrots, parsnips
and pumpkin. So he asked if they could find
one word to cover them all....

A little boy replied " Gravy!"