



# 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 MICHAEL'S CHURCH Tallangatta, SACRED HEART CHURCH Corryong.



## June 11th - 2023 : The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

### 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.

### Prayer for the Feast:

The Preface was especially written for this feast for the Roman Missal in 1969. It combines both the theological themes of Christ's self-offering for the unity of the human race and some more devotional language about the fruits of receiving the sacrament.

For at the Last Supper with his Apostles, establishing for the ages to come the saving memorial of the Cross, Christ offered himself to you, holy Father, as the unblemished Lamb, the acceptable gift of perfect praise. Nourishing your faithful by this sacred mystery, you make them holy, so that the human race, bounded by one world, may be enlightened by one faith and united by one bond of charity. And so, we approach the table of this wondrous Sacrament, so that, bathed in the sweetness of your grace, we may pass over to the heavenly realities here foreshadowed.

### Looking at the Gospels:

This feast harkens back to the celebration of Holy Thursday. By way of the metaphors of food and drink, its readings provide us with a look at the mystery of divine presence. They first provide a picture of a God who feeds us. In the past God set a table in freedom, and then provided food that enabled our ancestors to survive. God fed those who were needy, not those who were worthy. Jesus offered sustenance to the crowds that gathered around him. It was not manna from heaven that he offered but his own flesh and blood as food and drink. This food and drink are the pledge of eternal life.

Those who eat this bread and drink this cup are caught up in a profound unity with God, a unity not envisioned in the wilderness experience. There is a new overlay of significance. Jesus' claim to give his flesh and blood was a bold one, Paul's seems even bolder. He states that partaking of the bread and the cup not only joins us with Christ, but actually makes us participants in the body and blood of Christ. Humanity and divinity are joined as one. The Eucharist is a sign of unity in another way. Joined to the body and blood of Christ, we are joined to each other. We are one body and that body is Christ. The Eucharist is truly a celebration of thanksgiving: thanksgiving for our transformation and thanksgiving for our unity. © Dianne Bergant CSA.

### Liturgical Jottings:- Corpus Christi

The Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ has always been the object of great veneration. Two feasts express this veneration: Holy Thursday night and the feast of Corpus Christi (The feast of Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ) this latter feast was introduced in the city Liège, Belgium in 1246. When a priest from that city became Pope (Urban IV 1261-64) he extended the feast to the universal church.

St Thomas Aquinas described the feast as a time to express the joy of the Eucharist being the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ.

The Procession of the Blessed Sacrament carried in a monstrance either around the church or in the streets came later. The Rite of Exposition and Benediction of the Eucharist, as a devotional rite came even later. Only in the 18<sup>th</sup> century was an official rite approved for use in Rome.

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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.

## Wodonga Rosters 17th & 18th June

### SACRED HEART CLEANING:

Volunteers

### SACRED HEART ALTAR:

Mary Harkness, Jennifer Flower

### MASS TIMES:

5:00 pm

8:30 am

10:30 am

**Altar Servers:** Volunteers  
**Lector 1:** Fiona Barrett  
**Lector 2:** Cristine Stewart

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**Lector 1:** Maureen Lonergan  
**Lector 2:** Des Lonergan

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**Lector 1:** Jean Tabra  
**Lector 2:** Gerard Moore

## Eucharistic Ministers 17th & 18th June

**5:00 pm:** Mavis, Sandy & Volunteer

**8:30 am:** Michael, Anne K, Maureen

**10:30 am:** Ampy, Nina & Diane

## Children's Liturgy:

8.30 am & 10.30 am—Children's Liturgy Team

## Counters This Weekend

### THIS WEEK: TEAM: 2

Val Mulqueeney, Zennon McCarty & Rob Saric

### NEXT WEEK: TEAM 3:

Bernie & Julie Jones, Gerard Peeters

### MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: JUNE 18TH

**LECTOR:** Fran  
**Backup:** Roseanna  
**Commentator:** Gail

### DERERANG ROSTERS: JUNE 18TH

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

## Gospel: John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another:

'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said.

Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

### Readings this week:

Deuteronomy 8:2-3,14-16  
1 Corinthians 10:16-17  
John 6:51-58

### Readings next week:

Exodus 19:2-6  
Romans 5:6-11  
Matthew 9:36-10:8

### Responsorial Psalm:

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

### Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.

# What's happening in our Parish

## Recent Deaths:

Elizabeth Hertzog, Hilary Hayes, Monica Kelly, Gladys Frawley.

## Anniversaries:

Gabrielle Radcliffe, Josef Klotz, Fr Gerald Dullard OSA, Emily Hooper, Margery Ellen Curran, Ruza, Vlado and Stjepan Frketic, Muwafak Tawfik,

## Sick:

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

## Feast of The Sacred Heart



**Wodonga Catholic Parish** will celebrate the Feast of The Sacred Heart on Friday June 16th with morning Mass @9:15am, followed by morning tea in the foyer of Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga. Please Join Us!

### A Reminder to Parishioners:

**Please Note Change of Date for The \*Chisholm\* and \*Gandhi\* Community Masses.**

We welcome each of the Catholic College Wodonga Communities, as they join us for morning Masses on the following dates.

**The Da Vinci** Community Join us for Morning Mass on Wednesday **August 2nd**.

**The MacKillop** Community Join us for Morning Mass on Wednesday **August 9th**.

**The Chisholm** Community Join us for Morning Mass on Wednesday **\*August 23rd\***.

**The Gandhi** Community Join us for Morning Mass on Wednesday **\*August 30th\***.

### You are Invited:

Catholic College Wodonga community invites Wodonga parishioners for Mass in their new Chapel on Tuesday 13th of June at 10:30 am.

Mass will still be celebrated on this day at Sacred Heart Church at 9:15 am as usual.

### Parishioners:

Did you know you can request to receive our Bulletin via 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](http://www.wodongacatholicparish.com.au)

*"Kalayaan. Kinabukasan. Kasaysayan"*

*Albury-Wodonga Filipino Community*

*Celebrates*

**125<sup>TH</sup>**

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DISH TO  
SHARE

*Philippine*  
**INDEPENDENCE**  
DAY

WEAR  
FILIPINIANA-  
INSPIRED  
COSTUMES

**SUNDAY, 18 JUNE 2023**

**10:30 AM (HOLY MASS)**

**11:30 AM (CULTURAL SHOWCASE)**

**1:00 PM (LUNCHEON)**

*At Sacred Heart Church*

**283 BEECHWORTH RD WODONGA**

## Baptism Preparation Evening:

**Our next Preparation evening is Tuesday July 4th at 6:00 pm in 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 and other family members are also welcome. For information or to register

**Contact: Our Parish Centre friendly staff :**

**PH: 6024 3366 OR E: [wodcath@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wodcath@bigpond.net.au)**



# 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> OR

TO SUBSCRIBE [www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au](http://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au) and click 'Sandpiper e-News'

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**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](mailto:editor@sandhurst.catholic.org.au)

Or Phone 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:

## Catholic EarthCare Australia:

A program of Caritas Australia engaging with our Catholic community as we listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. Would you like to participate in this valuable ministry? Supporting Wodonga Catholic Parish in our continued efforts as an Earthcare Parish? Please contact: Sr Eileen Reardon Ph: 0458 327 554

## 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!**

## Rosters: July to December

The rosters for July to December for Lectors and Eucharistic ministers are being prepared. please let Marilyn Seiter know your availability for this time frame.

E: [cdmaseiter@gmail.com](mailto:cdmaseiter@gmail.com)

## Pope Francis:

"Jesus tells his disciples that the Passover meal can be eaten wherever a man carrying a pitcher of water leads them. To celebrate the Eucharist, therefore, we need first to recognize our thirst for God, to sense our need for him, to long for his presence and love, to realize that we cannot go it alone, but need the Food and Drink of eternal life to sustain us on our journey,"

**Corpus Christi 2021**

## Please Join Us



Please Join us for morning tea in the Parish centre each Tuesday after morning Mass.

This is a great opportunity to get to know your Priests and Parish Centre staff. All Welcome