



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 25th - 2023 : The 12th 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.

Our Pope Tweets:



"Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor" (Tb 4:7).

Whenever we encounter a poor person, we cannot look away, for that would prevent us from encountering the face of the Lord Jesus. ` Pope Francis.

Looking at the Gospels:

The demands of discipleship can be very difficult. The strength that is needed to continue on the chosen path despite its hardships can come only from God. We live in a world that desperately needs to hear the call to conversion, but it is a world that is subject to the death that entered it through the sin of Adam. Those who answer the call of God may have to face the hostility of this world, because their values and their commitment to righteousness threaten its moorings. To commit oneself to the reign of God is to challenge the reign of the world, and this can make one very unpopular. In the midst of this suffering we can find strength in the promises of God, and we believe that God is faithful to these promises.

Only half of today's picture is bleak. The other half is radiant with hope. Paul assures us that the gracious gift that God offers us is far greater than the transgressions brought on by sin. This gracious gift is Jesus Christ himself. The gift exceeds anything for which we might have hoped. He is the comfort that will carry us through our disappointments. He is the strength that will enable us to endure the misunderstanding and hardship that come with discipleship. We are called to acknowledge him before the world, and we are promised that if we do, he will acknowledge us before God. There is light even in the midst of darkness. There is hope even in the midst of suffering. © Dianne Bergant CSA

Prayer for the Day:

True and faithful God, you give courage to the fearful and endurance to martyrs. Sustain us as followers of your Son Jesus, that with boldness and conviction we may acknowledge him before the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Feast of Saint Peter & Saint Paul, Apostles (29 June)

There is one day for the passion of two apostles. But these two also were as one; although they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, Paul followed. We are celebrating a feast day, consecrated for us by the blood of the apostles. Let us love their faith, their lives, their labours, their sufferings, their confession of faith, their preaching. Sermon by Saint Augustine.

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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.

What's happening in our Parish

Recent Deaths: John Penny, Betty Dumbrell.

Anniversaries: Bernard Seymour, Joseph Bacash, Kevin Crothers, Jack Maher, Dr John Moran, Bill Henderson, Peter d'Astoli, Ruth d'Astoli, Merle Riley, Marie Middleton, Emily Hooper, Elaine McEvoy.

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

Liturgical Jottings: Letter to the Romans (1)

From the 9th to the 24th Sundays in Ordinary Time, we read, this year, St Paul's Letter to the Romans. The Apostle writes to the Christians in Rome to expound his preaching, in broad outline, hence, the tone of the letter which has a more rigorous structure than his other letters. One of the core ideas of Paul's doctrine regards the salvation of all humankind through God's grace, granted to those who believe in Jesus Christ. None of us can boast of our own righteousness, not even that coming from the Law. There is only one true righteousness which comes from God and is received through faith. Paul had not yet visited Rome. He did not know the city's Christian community. Besides, he had a rule not to meddle where others had preached the gospel (Rom 5:20). As a result, his letter does not deal with the concrete questions that might have faced the community. (Days of the Lord Vol 4) © Diocese of Sandhurst 2023



Wodonga Catholic Parish
**EUCCHARISTIC
MINISTER TRAINING**
Tuesday - 18th - July - 2023
5:00pm to 6:00pm

Please Join us
at Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga
for Eucharistic Ministry
Training.
This is for first time training or as a refresher.
Tuesday - 18th - July - 5:00pm to 6:00pm
All Welcome

Need more information? Contact our Parish Centre: 60243366

Wodonga Catholic Parish Live Streaming Mass:



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Unable to attend Mass?
Wodonga Catholic Parish live
streams our Masses Tuesday
through to Sunday each week. Find us on Facebook.
<https://www.facebook.com/wodongacatholicparish>

Baptism Preparation Evening:

Our next Preparation evening is
Tuesday July 4th at 6:00 pm,
Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga 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 friendly Parish Centre staff :**
PH: 6024 3366 OR E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au

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 or on our website .



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

Wodonga Rosters 1st & 2nd July

SACRED HEART CLEANING:

Volunteers

SACRED HEART ALTAR:

Volunteers

MASS TIMES:

5:00 pm

8:30 am

10:30 am

Altar Servers: Volunteers
Lector 1: Christine Stewart
Lector 2: David Gill

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Lector 2: Anne Tremethick

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Lector 2: Don Cameron

Eucharistic Ministers 1st & 2nd July

5:00 pm: Meryl, Amilia & Juliana

8:30 am: John A, John B & Anne K

10:30 am: Jacinta, Gerri & Lucette

Children's Liturgy:

8.30 am & 10.30 am—Children's Liturgy Team

Counters This Weekend

THIS WEEK: TEAM: 4 Margot Dare, Pauline Acott, Kath Didier

NEXT WEEK: TEAM 5: Margot Keat, Gerry & Marion Fitzpatrick

MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 2nd July

LECTOR: Jenny
Backup: Peter
Commentator: Mary-Anne

DEDERANG ROSTERS: 2nd July

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

Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows:

'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered,
 and everything now hidden will be made clear.

What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight;

what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul;
 fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell.

Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny?

And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing.

Why, every hair on your head has been counted.

So there is no need to be afraid;

you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men,
 I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven.

Readings this week:

Jeremiah 20:10-13
 Romans 5:12-15
 Matthew 10: 26-33

Readings next week:

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16
 Romans 6:3-4,8-11
 Matthew 10:37-42

Responsorial Psalm : Lord, in your great love, answer me.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses. Alleluia

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.

What's happening in our Parish



Happy Sapphire Anniversary

65 years of Marriage:

On a Saturday afternoon in 1958 at St Patricks Cathedral, East Melbourne, Joseph and Carmen Grima exchanged wedding vows.

Wodonga Catholic Parish wish to congratulate Carmen and Joseph on 65 years of Marriage.

Congratulations & Happy Anniversary!

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*.**

Tallangatta & Corryong Parishes

Are you a parishioner of Tallangatta or Corryong Parish?

Would you like to place a notice in the Bulletin?

If so, please contact **Sonni Ph: 6024 3366** OR
E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au

Parish Welcoming Cuppa: DONUT DAY

This is a lovely opportunity to catch up with friends and or welcome new parishioners, over a cuppa and a chat.

Please join us on Sunday July the 2nd after 8:30am Mass.

This month we are serving DONUTS in a COVID SAFE manner.



Next Sunday :

Every year, on the first Sunday in July, Catholics come together across Australia to acknowledge and celebrate the gifts of Australia's First Peoples in the Catholic Church.

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



Source: CathNews June 21st 2023

Synod Document Calls for a Welcoming Church that Embraces Diversity

Synod of Bishops assembly members will be asked to find ways to build community, encourage the contribution of every baptised person and strengthen the Church's primary mission of Gospel-sharing, said the working document for the October gathering.

"A synodal Church is founded on the recognition of a common dignity deriving from baptism, which makes all who receive it sons and daughters of God, members of the family of God, and therefore brothers and sisters in Christ, inhabited by the one Spirit and sent to fulfil a common mission," said the Instrumentum Laboris, which was released at the Vatican yesterday.

To read the full article [Synod document calls for a welcoming Church that embraces diversity - CathNews](#)