



# Wodonga Catholic Parish



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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.



## August 13th - 2023 : The Nineteenth 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.

### Pope Francis:



*Pope at WYD Mass: Church and world need young people 'like the earth needs rain' In his homily for the concluding Mass for World Youth Day in Lisbon, Pope Francis calls on young people to shine, to listen, and to be unafraid. "We become luminous, we shine, when, welcoming Jesus, we learn to love like Him. To love like Jesus: that makes us luminous, that leads us to do works of love."*

### Looking at the Readings:

Theophany is not a word we use often, yet today we have the witness of two theophanies: God manifesting himself to humans. First to Elijah on Mt Horeb in the sound of silence and then to the apostles when Jesus calmed the sea and the wind. Only God has that power. We read: "they bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.' " (14:33) The parallel passage in Mark portrays great emotions not found in Matthew: they were terrified by the storm and utterly and completely dumbfounded by the miracle. (Mark 6:49,51). Elijah was much encouraged to now continue his mission, the apostles were beginning to recognise Christ.

Several times in the Gospel we hear Peter wanted to follow the Lord. He has great eagerness and faith but also has fears and misunderstandings. So many times Peter expresses out aloud what the others are thinking to themselves. Each Christian wants to affirm their faith, increase their trust and understanding so as to follow Jesus more closely. We rejoice in the epiphanies and theophanies moments, even when they are not as often as we would like.

### Did You Know?

Hills and mountains are often referred to where Jesus goes to pray. He prays alone or in company with a few. Interestingly there are no hills near the Lake of Galilee, Matthew's reference that Jesus went up into the hills has a metaphoric meaning rather than a geographic reality. It most likely indicates a time of quiet solitude and prayerfulness.

### Liturgical Jottings- Night Prayer (Compline)

Compline also known as Night Prayer, or the Prayers at the End of the Day, is the final prayer liturgy (or divine office) of the day in the Christian tradition of canonical hours, which are prayed at fixed prayer times. The English word is from the Latin completorium, as compline is the completion of the waking day. Compline is a part of Catholic, Anglican, Lutheran, and Eastern Orthodox, and certain other Christian traditions. It tends to be a contemplative office that emphasises spiritual peace. In most monasteries it is the custom to begin the "Great Silence" after compline, during which the whole community, including guests, observes silence until first prayer in the morning. It comprises of an "Examen" of the day hymn, one or two psalms, a reading, response, the canticle of Simeon: "Nunc Dimittis" (Luke 2:29-32) concluding prayer and an anthem to Mary. © **Diocese of Sandhurst 2023.**

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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

**Recently Deceased:** Bryan Crothers, Marion Mahony, Kathleen (McDermott) Moore, Maureen Cabrie, Rev Fr Terence Mahedy, Sr Elizabeth (Betty) O'Donnell RSJ.

**Anniversaries:** Judy Ellery, Pam Stone, Bob McBean, Gary Turner, Joshua Perkins, Rodney McClean, Ron McGrath, Josip Juric, Margaret Helliard, Alec Harrison, Family members of Kati Beretich, Dr. Angel Torio

**Sick:** John Hodson, Michael Lonergan, Ricky Ellul, Robert Anderson, Salome Ramirez, Kerstin Lancaster, Mary Shaddock, parishioners who are ill, their families & carers.

## **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

Are you someone OR do you know someone who....

Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?

Was Baptised Catholic, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

Was Baptised in another Christian Church and is interested in becoming Catholic.

### **COME... SEE.... HEAR**

The RCIA team are running an information session at 9:30 on Sunday September 17th in the Wodonga Catholic Parish Centre. Any inquiries contact Marg: 0458 031 903

## **Parishioners Please Note:**

Wodonga Catholic Parish celebrates the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary this **Tuesday August 15th at 9:15 am and at 6:00pm at Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga.**  
**All Warmly Welcome.**

*Tuesday, 15 August the Catholic Church and many other Christians celebrate the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

*This significant feast day recalls the spiritual and physical departure of the mother of Jesus Christ from the earth, when both her soul and her body were taken into the presence of God.*



### **A Reminder to Parishioners:**

**The students & staff of Catholic College, The Chisholm Community, will be joining us for morning Mass on August 23rd**

## **Welcoming Sunday Cuppa**

**Sunday August 27th.**

Please join St Monica's Primary School community for a cuppa and a chat after the 8:30 am Mass on the Feast of St Monica Sunday August 27th.

## **Fr Junjun is on Sabbatical:**

Fr Junjun left on the 7th of August he will return on the 16th of October 2023. His plans include:

From **August 7th to the 16th**

**An Aussie Camino -**

**Walking from Portland to Penola**



From **August 18th to September 2nd:**

2 weeks in the Philippines with family:

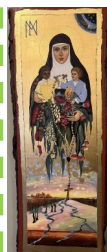


From **September 3rd to October 15th**

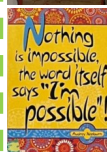
Fr Junjun will be studying in the **Holy Land.**

## **Fr Junjun Amaya: Day1 of Aussie Camino**

Walk from Portland, Victoria to Penola, South Australia.



East Melbourne Mary Mackillop Heritage Centre - Portland.



Re-tracing the history of St Mary Mackillop on her feast day.

Then 21 kms walk from Cape Nelson Lighthouse to Cape Bridgewater.



## **WCP Sacramental Program Confirmation/Eucharist**

**We are now taking enrolments for the 2023 Confirmation/Eucharist Program that will run during October.**

Enrolment forms and the timetable will be available online, on our parish website or Facebook page. Hard copies can be collected from our CEW Schools or the Parish Centre.

**To enrol your child/children in the Confirmation/Eucharist Program they must have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation.**

**If you have any questions about the program please email Anne Tremethick [wcpSacramental@gmail.com](mailto:wcpsacramental@gmail.com)**

## Wodonga Rosters 19th & 20th August

**SACRED HEART CLEANING:** Volunteers

**SACRED HEART ALTAR:** Volunteers

**MASS TIMES:** 5:00 pm

8:30 am

10:30 am

**Altar Servers:** Volunteers  
**Lector 1:** David Gill  
**Lector 2:** Meryl Brown

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**Lector 2:** Ross Black

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**Lector 2:** Jean Tabra

### Eucharistic Ministers 19th & 20th August

**5:00 pm:** Joy, Christine & Phil

**8:30 am:** Anne T, Michael & Erris

**10:30 am:** Peter, Jenny & Bronwyn

**Children's Liturgy:**

8.30 am & 10.30 am

### Counters This Weekend

**THIS WEEK: TEAM: 10** John Dunstan, Frank Hanrahan, Gloria Humpage, Mavis Hyndman

**NEXT WEEK: TEAM 1:** John Dwyer, Mick Bone, Greg & Maureen Baker, John Foley

#### MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 20th August

**LECTOR:** Roseanna

**Backup:** Gail

**Commentator:** Gail

#### DEDERANG ROSTERS: 20th August

**FIRST / SECOND READING:** Alanna Kirley

**WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL:** Sharon Coulston

**POWERPOINT:** Diane Goonan

### Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind.

In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified.

'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear.

But at once Jesus called out to them, saying 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.'

It was Peter who answered. 'Lord', he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.'

'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink.

'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him.

'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said,

'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

#### Readings this week:

1 Kings 19:9,11-13  
 Romans 9:1-5  
 Matthew 14:22-33

#### Readings next week:

Isaiah 56:1,6-7  
 Romans 11:13-15,29-32  
 Matthew 15:21-28

#### Responsorial Psalm

Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
 and grant us your salvation

#### Gospel Acclamation:

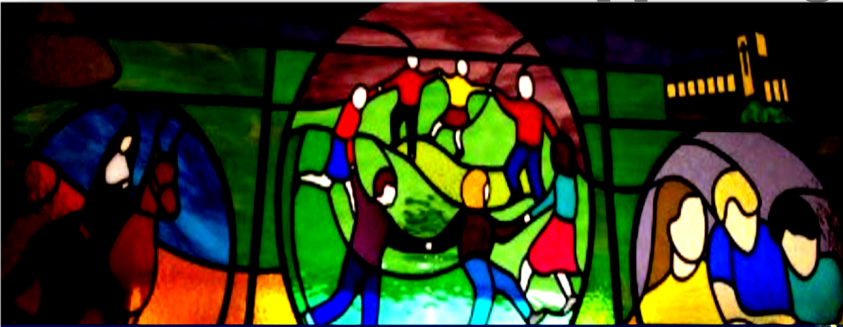
Alleluia, alleluia! I hope in the Lord,  
 I trust in his word. Alleluia.

#### Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.



# What's happening in our Parish



## SACRED HEART SCHOOL CORRYONG

CELEBRATES 60 YEARS!

*Friday 18th August*

PAST AND PRESENT MEMBERS OF THE SACRED  
HEART COMMUNITY ARE INVITED TO ATTEND OUR  
CELEBRATIONS

9:30AM VISITORS WELCOME TO TOUR THE  
CLASSROOMS AND SCHOOL

10AM WHOLE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY MASS

11AM MORNING TEA PROVIDED FOR GUESTS

5PM PARTY GAMES FOR SACRED HEART STUDENTS AND  
FAMILIES

5:30PM DINNER PROVIDED

FOR CATERING PURPOSES PLEASE RSVP TO  
ADMIN@SHCORYONG.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU BY 11TH AUGUST



**Greetings from  
Avila!!**



### World Youth Day:

### A Message from Sandhurst Youth.

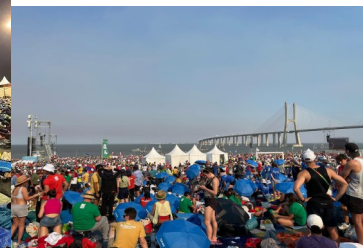
The Sandhurst WYD Pilgrims have enjoyed a fantastic tour of Avila today including visiting the Basilica at the birthplace of St Teresa of Avila! Of course, we had to take a group photo!!

We were also able to join with other Australian Pilgrims from The Archdiocese of Brisbane, the Diocese of Wagga Wagga and the Disciples of Jesus Community as we celebrated the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop in the Church attached to the first Convent St Teresa established!! It was definitely a special Mass for all of us!

We're coming to the end of our Pilgrimage but there's still 1 more full day plus many more highlights to share with you all so our posts are not over yet!!



This is just one of many views of over 1 million people sleeping out under the stars as part of the WYD Vigil!! It can definitely be hard to navigate the sleeping crowds if you need to get up in the night, but



### 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 available in your church foyer or on our website. If you would like to view our safety policies, please go to our website at <https://wodongacatholicparish.com.au/information/wcp-child-safe-policy/> and follow the links provided or E: [woddcath@bigpond.net.au](mailto:woddcath@bigpond.net.au).