



St Augustine's Church
Wodonga

WODONGA PARISH CENTRE

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OFFICE HOURS

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Monday to Friday

PRESBYTERY

55 High Street Wodonga Vic

PARISH PRIEST

Father Junjun Amaya

0459-356-917

ASSISTANT PRIEST

Father Junray Rayna

Ph: 0403-677-769

PASTORAL ASSISTANT

Sister Eileen Reardon

0458 327 554 (Mt Beauty)

WEEKEND MASSES

WODONGA

Sacred Heart Church

Saturday 6:00 pm.

Sunday 8:30 am 10:30 am

4th Sunday of each month

Youth Mass 5:00 pm

TANGAMBALANGA

Our Lady Help of Christians

2nd & 4th Sunday 10:30 am

BETHANGA

St Francis

2nd Sunday 12 noon

DEDERANG

St Joseph's

1st & 3rd Sunday 10:30 am

5th Sunday 10:30 am

Liturgy of The Word
and Communion

MT BEAUTY

St Joseph's

1st to 4th Sunday 8:30 am

5th Sunday 8:30 am

Liturgy of The Word
and Communion

WEEKDAY MASS:

Sacred Heart Church

Monday: Liturgy of the Word

9:15 am

Mass: Tuesday to Friday

9:15 am

St Augustine's Church

Saturday 9:30 am

RECONCILIATION:

Sacred Heart Church

Saturday 9:00 - 9:30 am

Country Churches

Before Masses

Wodonga Catholic Parish

Including Bethanga, Dederang, Mt Beauty and Tangambalanga Communities



December 2nd -2018 - The 1st Sunday of Advent

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Words of Pope Francis

Look at Jesus. His deep compassion reached out to others. It did not make him hesitant, timid or self-conscious, as often happens with us. Quite the opposite! His compassion made him go out actively to preach and to send others on a mission of healing and liberation. Let us acknowledge our weakness, but allow Jesus to lay hold of it and send us too on mission. We are weak, yet we hold a treasure that can enlarge us and make those who receive it better and happier. Boldness and apostolic courage are an essential part of mission. *Pope Francis, Gaudete Et Exsultate (2018) n131.*



Christmas Luncheon In Our Parish

We are starting a Christmas Luncheon for those in our Parish who would like to share a Christmas meal with others. This year we are inviting adults only to attend.

It has been initiated by members of our parish, has been approved by the Parish Pastoral Council and has the approval of Frs. Junjun and Junray.

Registration: We ask parishioners interested in participating in the Luncheon to book their place through the Parish Centre (with Margaret or Sonni) to help us cater for the event.

VENUE: The Parish Hall

TIME: 12 noon

DATE: December 25th

Menu: Cold meats, variety of salads and other condiments.

Donations: We invite parishioners to assist, if able, by donating meat (i.e. ham, turkey), salads (i.e green, rice, potato, bean, and other salads), soft drinks, nuts and chips.

Please contact the Parish Centre to register your donation.

Volunteers: We need volunteers for the following (again contact the Parish Centre to register your voluntary service:

- Decorating the hall
- Setting up the hall
- Assisting during the meal
- Assisting in the clean-up

This is a big commitment by the parish and if it can bring joy to someone, it will be well worth it. Thanks for your support and assistance.

Recent Deaths: Sister Margaret Conway (Marg Pallot's Aunty)



Anniversaries: Leon Van Buynder

Sick: Zak Oliver, Mavis Rogac, Emil Auda, Salome Ramirez, Ric Glavocih, Mary Shaddock, Ricky Ellul, Pat Gibson, John Radcliffe, parishioners who are ill, their families & Carers.

What's Happening in Our Parish

[A Message from Sr Eileen Reardon](#)

I would like to acknowledge the kind words expressed by Jacinta Bartlett in Parish Council Report in the latest Parish Talk however, I need to clarify that although I have submitted my resignation as a Parish Pastoral Associate for the Wodonga Parish, I still intend to keep a gentle Mercy presence in Wodonga and up the Valley to Mount Beauty. I have made Wodonga my home and will continue visiting and facilitating spiritual get togethers when called upon to do so. The Mercy Sisters have been in the area since 1892 My earnest intent is to continue this Mercy presence within the community to those in need.

Sr Eileen Reardon

[Mass of Anointing Group](#)

The Mass of Anointing Group meet at **11:00 am** on **Wednesday December 5th** Sacred Heart Church. Contact Helen Hanrahan Ph: 6024 2024

[Mass of Anointing](#)

The Mass of Anointing will take place at **1:45 pm** - **Wednesday December 5th** at Sacred Heart Church. Contact Helen Hanrahan 6024 2024

[Check it out! Sacred Heart Gift Shop](#)

Daily Mass Books - Break Open The Word
2019 Calendar's - Christmas Cards

[LADIES REFLECTION DAY](#)

facilitated by Sr EILEEN REARDON

Theme: "St Francis & the Nativity Crib"



Wednesday 5th December 2018

10 for 10:30 am start to 2pm

(includes time for a shared light lunch)

@ 4533 Kiewa Valley Hwy Dederang

For more information phone Diane on 0418 114 751

[St. Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal](#)

NEXT Sunday, the 2nd Sunday of the December, we will be having the St. Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal collection. The Collection will take place after Mass and the money raised will aid our local Conference in its outreach efforts to the needy. Thank you for your contributions.

[Baptism Preparation Evening:](#)

Preparation evenings are held on the first Tuesday of each month. **Our next Preparation evening is Tuesday Dec 4th 2018 at 7:00 pm in the 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 are also welcome. For information **Contact: Sonni at The Parish Centre: 6024 3366 E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au**

[Bible Study with Fr Junjun](#)

What: Luke 3: 1-6

Where: The Parish Centre Meeting Room

When: **Tuesday 4th of Dec - @ 4:30-5pm start**

Who: Fr Junjun

All welcome. Please bring your Bible

[Alpha For Adults An Invitation :](#)

Next year our parish is planning to run an Alpha program and we would really value your support.

What is Alpha? Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith for people in all walks of life.

Why Alpha? We believe that everyone should have the chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share their point of view. This program is heavily supported by our Pope, Archbishop Coleridge as well as many other Priests and Bishops. For more information on the program and how you might support it come, see and hear.

Where: Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga

When : **December 6th at 6:30 Refreshments provided.**

Ph: 60243366. More info at <https://australia.alpha.org>

[Journey of Christ to the Holy Land](#)

18th of September 2019 - 2nd & 4th of October 2019

Escorted by **Fr Novelito Lim** Parish Priest, Kerang.

Pilgrimage Chaplain **Ms Kerrie Hill** Religious Education

Leader. More info at

<https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/item/1536-sandhurst-diocese-pilgrimage-2019-to-the-holy-land>

WODONGA ROSTERS 9TH DECEMBER 2018

SACRED HEART CLEANING: Ros Revell, Helga Lachs

SACRED HEART ALTAR: Dina & Bozidan Zmajla

MASS TIMES: 6.00 pm 8.30 am 10.30 am

ALTAR SERVERS Peter, Michael, David. Lector 1: Fiona Barret Lector 2: Rosanna Jackson	ALTAR SERVERS Edward, Henry, Jess, Mac, Oliver, Billy, Tommy Lector 1: Barry Jackson Lector 2: Dave Seiter	ALTAR SERVERS Honorina, Eliza Lector 1: Kath Twycross Lector 2: Judy D'Astoli
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

6.00pm: Brian & Neta Lawson, Joy Packer, Pam Shirley, Liz Mac-Pherson Wood, Mavis Hyndman
8.30am: John Barrat, Lucette Brown, Michael Iverson, Bronwyn Wighton, Sharon Bone, Theresa Dorahy
10.30am: Ken Fuchsen, Gerard Moore, Maree Kelly, Ampy Clark, Jean Tabra

Children's Liturgy: 8.30 am Mass: Corrie Swart 10.30 Mass: Karyn Murphy

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 2ND DECEMBER

THIS WEEK: TEAM 7: Don Cameron, Damien Hunt, Peter Murray, Adam Koster, Michael McCormick
NEXT WEEK: TEAM 8 Ross Black, John & Lorraine Gill, David & Helen Gill, Frank Watson

MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 9TH DECEMBER	DEDERANG ROSTERS: 16TH DECEMBER
LECTOR: Peter	FIRST / SECOND READING: Harrison Fischer
Backup: Jenny	WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL: Sharon Coulston
COMMENTATOR: Bruce	POWERPOINT: Diane Goonan
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Peter & Volunteer	OFFERTORY: Read
Mowing: Bruce	CLEANING ROSTER: Diane Goonan

GOSPEL: LUKE 21:25-28

Jesus said to his disciples:
 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars;
 on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves;
 men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world,
 for the powers of heaven will be shaken.
 And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.
 When these things begin to take place, stand erect,
 hold your heads high,
 because your liberation is near at hand.'

'Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness
 and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap.
 For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth.
 Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen,
 and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.'

Readings this week Jeremiah 33:14-16 1 Thessalonians 3:12-14:2 Luke 21:25-28
Readings next week: Baruch 5:1-9 Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11 Luke 3:1-6

Responsorial Psalm: To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!
Prayer of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer!

Advent 2018 Prayer Leaflets

Week one Advent Prayer leaflets are available in the foyer of the church for individual and small group reflection and prayer. They are also available from the Sandhurst Diocese website: go to <https://sandhurst.catholic.org.au/item/1540-advent-resources-for-2018-news> and follow the links .

Wodonga Christian Ministers' Fellowship Invite You:

What: A public forum with Sr Patricia Fox **When:** Wednesday 5th of December 6:30 pm. **Where:** Sacred Heart Church Wodonga. Sister Patricia Fox is an Australian missionary who was forced to leave Philippines by the order of president Rodrigo Duterte. Sr Patricia Fox, says it's time for Australia to stand up to Rodrigo Duterte over human rights.

Wodonga Catholic Parish

Christmas Mass Times- 2018

Community Reconciliation

Sacred Heart Church Wodonga

Thursday December **13th** 7:00 pm

Filipino Christmas Novena Mass

December **15th** - Sacred Heart Church 6:00 pm

December **16th to 21st** - St Augustine's Church 7:00 pm

December **22nd** - Sacred Heart Church 6:00 pm

December **23rd** - St Augustine's Church 7:00 pm

Individual Reconciliation

Sacred Heart Church Wodonga

Friday December **21st** 9:45 -10:15 am

Saturday December **22nd** 9:00 -10:00 am

Christmas Eve Mass Times

Sacred Heart Church Wodonga

Family Christmas Eve Mass:

December **24th** 6:00 pm Children's Mass & Nativity Celebration

Sacred Heart Church Wodonga

December **24th** 9:00 pm

Our Lady Help of Christians, Tangambalanga

December **24th** 7:00 pm

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS TIMES

Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga 8:30 & 10:30 am

St Joseph's Church, Mt Beauty 8:30 am

St Joseph's Church, Dederang 10:30 am

Nativity Celebration Christmas Eve Family Mass

The Children's Liturgy team has started preparation for this year's Christmas Eve Mass.

If you, your child or grandchild would like to be involved, please add your name to our sign up sheet at the back of the church or speak to a member of the Team. Note - Costumes for the nativity are provided.

Timele Stewart - 0420 976 550

Liturgy in our Diocese:

Thursday December 6th

Workshop One:

10:15 am-11:45 am -
preaching & Homilies.
- Fr Brian Boyle.

OR Music in Liturgy -
- Dr Paul Taylor & Joanne
Bonazza (Cantor)

Workshop Two

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Masses with Children and
Childrens Liturgy:
- Lee Pethybridge.

Music in Liturgy - Dr Paul Taylor
& Joanne Bonazza (Cantor)

Please see notice board in the
foyer of our church for more
information.

Welcome

We welcome & congratulate
Joey Pierce, Spencer Hills,
Winnie & Reese O'Neill & families
as they celebrate the
Sacrament
of Baptism this weekend.