



St Francis Church
Bethanga

WODONGA PARISH CENTRE

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OFFICE HOURS

9:30 am - 4:00 pm
Monday to Friday

PRESBYTERY

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PARISH PRIEST

Father Junjun Amaya
0459-356-917

ASSISTANT PRIEST

Father Shibu-
Pezhumthottathil
0432 591 551

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 No Masses

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
Saturday 9:30 am
St Augustine's Church

RECONCILIATION:

Sacred Heart Church
Saturday 9:00 - 9:30 am
Country Churches

Wodonga Catholic Parish

Including Bethanga, Dederang, Mt Beauty, Tangambalanga, Tallangatta & Corryong
Communities



March 22nd -2020 - The Fourth Sunday of Lent.

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Pope Francis Tweets: *Outward appearance, money, career, hobbies: these are sirens that enchant us and then set us adrift. Lent is a time of grace to free our hearts from vanities..*



~Pope Francis ~



Sakun from India

Thirty-two-year-old Sakun lives in a village in central-east India. She developed polio as a child and has difficulty walking. Until now Sakun, an indigenous Gond woman, has been isolated in her community, unable to earn a livelihood and without knowledge of government schemes that could help her.

Sakun lives with her sister in a rural area of Chhattisgarh, India's poorest state. Home to 26 million people, with 10 million living in poverty.

Life is hard in this region, and even harder for the state's indigenous people. Sakun belongs to the Gond tribal community which is amongst India's officially designated Scheduled Castes and Tribes. Historically disadvantaged, they suffer higher poverty rates than other parts of India.

In 2018, Sakun joined a Caritas Australia-funded program which is implemented by Caritas India and its local partner, Samarthan. Through their strategic guidance and support, Sakun learned new skills and gained important mobility.

Sakun now earns her own income and makes a small profit which goes towards her family's basic needs. She is more resilient, more confident and more independent.

With your help, Caritas Australia can help uplift vulnerable communities and support the right of indigenous peoples around the world. A brighter future for women, men and their families can start today. Let's Go Further, Together.

"I can move around my village, visit community members and talk to them, I feel happy and my social life and network has improved," said Sakun. "It has also given me the opportunity to keep in contact with other people living with disabilities which enabled me to express solidarity with them. Today I am given due respect in the village and community."

A Safe Parish Is a Shared Responsibility:

Please feel free to take a copy of our policies and other information provided in the document holders, in the Foyer of the church. You may notice around our parish center and churches are various notices and information in regards to keeping our parish safe. Please be aware these notices and the exit plans **must not** be covered by other notices and must be in clear view at all times. Thank you, Sonni.

Wodonga Catholic Parish Child Safety Officers. Our Parish child safety officers are Jacinta Bartlett Ph: 0418470632 and Sonia La Motte-Schubert Ph: 60243366

Towards Healing help line 1800 816 030 (free call) Lifeline is a non-profit Organi-

Recent Deaths: John Byrne

Anniversaries: Mary Holman, Francиска, Ivan, Mary, Stanislav & Rudy Kalc,

Sick: Zak Oliver, Kath Twycross, John Thornley, Salome Ramirez, Ric Glavocih, Mary Shaddock, Ricky Ellul, John Radcliffe, Kit Ley, parishioners who are ill, their families & Carers



Wednesday 18 March 2020

Prayerful greetings to the people of God across Victoria,

This morning, the Prime Minister announced that non-essential indoor gatherings will be limited to 100 people, and outdoor events of more than 500 people will be disallowed, effective today. Given the seriousness of COVID-19, we support this measure as being responsible and sensible, and we encourage everyone to follow public safety guidelines respectfully.

The Bishops of the Province of Victoria have given this prayerful and considered reflection, and have determined the following actions:

**Immediate suspension of public liturgies, celebrations of the Mass, until further notice.
All other gatherings are suspended. For clarification of any concerns, please contact
Mrs Katrina Strong PA to the Bishop Tel (03) 5445 3600**

We are very aware that this restriction will be particularly difficult for families who are planning liturgies such as funerals, weddings and baptisms. At this time, so long as appropriate precautions are able to be put in place (such as distancing between participants), it may be possible for these liturgies to proceed with a carefully limited congregation. Deferring these liturgies may also be an option that is offered to families.

In light of this, all Catholics in Victoria are dispensed from their Sunday obligation until further notice (canon 1248). We encourage you to continue active participation in the life of the Church, through activities such as time in personal and family prayer, reflecting on the Scriptures, making a spiritual communion, or participating in a Mass online (<http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand> or <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass> or www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass). Or Mass on free to air TV channel 10 6:00 am Sunday mornings

We encourage our priests to continue to celebrate Mass for the spiritual good of God's people, the intentions of the faithful and the alleviation of the present crisis. We assure our people that the Mass is being offered for you in our parishes and that while you are not physically present, you still participate spiritually and that you are close to the hearts of your pastors in the Eucharist.

We urge the clergy to make themselves available to visit individuals, especially those who are unwell and vulnerable. This includes viaticum and all the opportunities for healing through the Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation. Again, we encourage you to regularly consult your local websites for further details of local arrangements.

Tomorrow further pastoral guidelines will be shared in the Dioceses of Melbourne, Ballarat, Sale and Sandhurst. Clergy and religious should consult with their Ordinary if any questions remain uncertain.

All of this is happening during the Season of Lent, a time of preparation for the Easter mysteries. While we are invited to be self-sacrificial at this time, we must remember the words of Jesus upon appearing before his disciples after his resurrection: Again and again he said peace be with you. (Jn 20:19) Let's not panic, nor be anxious, nor reduce ourselves to caring only for ourselves. This is a time to be sensible, practical, prayerful, and to share Christ's peace with those who are struggling to feel calm and safe

Thank you for all your patience, prayers and resilience.

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli
ARCHBISHOP OF MELBOURNE

Most Rev Paul Bernard Bird CSSR MA, DD
BISHOP OF BALLARAT

Most Rev Shane Mackinlay
BISHOP OF SANDHURST

Most Rev Patrick Michael O'Regan
BISHOP OF SALE

WODONGA ROSTERS 29TH MARCH 2020

SACRED HEART CLEANING: Frances & Bernie Evans

SACRED HEART ALTAR: Dina & Bozidar Zmajla

MASS TIMES:	6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
ALTAR SERVERS	Peter, Michael, David	ALTAR SERVERS	Henry, Jess, Mac, Oliver, Billy, Tommy
Lector 1:	Ross Black	Lector 1:	Kath Crothers
Lector 2:	Terry Smith	Lector 2:	Diana McKinley
ALTAR SERVERS		ALTAR SERVERS	Honorina, Eliza,
Lector 1:		Lector 1:	Janet Miller
Lector 2:		Lector 2:	Cristy Fraser

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

6.00pm: Meryl Brown, David & Helen Gill, Pam Shirley, Joy Packer, Clive Hayward
8.30am: Mick Bone, Diana McKinley, Kathryn Scanlon
10.30am: Shelley Bowey, Gabrielle Radcliffe, Peter Sartori

Children's Liturgy:

8.30 am Mass: Corrie, Sam & Timele

10.30 Mass: TBA

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK- 22ND MARCH

THIS WEEK: TEAM 5: Pat Toole, Margo Keat, Mark & Monica Wallace. Gerry & Marion Fitzpatrick
NEXT WEEK: TEAM 6: Marg Whitehead, Irene & Geoff Agnew, Des Lonergan, John Barrat

MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 29TH MARCH

LECTOR: Mary-Anne,
Backup: Jenny
COMMENTATOR: Bruce
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Roseanna & Volunteer
MOWING: Peter

DEDERANG ROSTERS: 5TH APRIL

FIRST / SECOND READING: Harrison Fischer
WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL: McEvoy Family
POWERPOINT: Madison Coulston
OFFERTORY: Fischer
CLEANING ROSTER: Kerry Kirley



GOSPEL JOHN 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45



As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, 'Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam' (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored. His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, 'Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?' Some said, 'Yes, it is the same one.' Others said, 'No, he only looks like him.' The man himself said, 'I am the man.' They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man's eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, 'He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.' Then some of the Pharisees said, 'This man cannot be from God: he does not keep the sabbath.' Others said 'How could a sinner produce signs like this?' And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, 'What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?' 'He is a prophet', replied the man. 'Are you trying to teach us,' they replied 'and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!' And they drove him away. Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, 'Do you believe in the Son of Man?' 'Sir,' the man replied 'tell me who he is so that I may believe in him'. Jesus said, 'You are looking at him; he is speaking to you.' The man said, 'Lord, I believe', and worshipped him.

Readings this week

1 Samuel 16:1,6-7, 10 -13
Ephesians 5: 8 -14
John 9: 1- 41
Readings next week:
1 Ezekiel 37:12-14
Romans 8:8-11
John 11: 1- 45

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

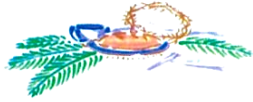
Gospel Acclamation:

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!
 I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Prayer of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.

HOLY WEEK & Easter MASS TIMES



Tuesday: April 2nd 7.00pm The Community celebrates Reconciliation—Sacred Heart Church—Wodonga

Wednesday: April 3rd 7.00pm Reconciliation—Mt Beauty

Thursday: April 4th 7.00pm Reconciliation—Mt Beauty

Friday: April 5th 7.00pm Reconciliation—Mt Beauty

Holy Thursday: April 9th 8.00am—Tenebrae—St Augustine's Church—Wodonga
(Extended Morning Prayer of the Church)

5.00pm– until 5.45pm Reconciliation—Sacred Heart Church—Wodonga

7.00pm Reconciliation—Mt Beauty

7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper—Mt Beauty

7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper—Sacred Heart Church—Wodonga

"The Watch" before the Blessed Sacrament will conclude with night prayer of the Church at **9.00pm**

Good Friday April 10th—8.00am—Tenebrae—St Augustine's Church—Wodonga

**Please NOTE: There will be no outdoor Stations of the Cross
@ St Francis of Assisi Primary School -Baranduda.**

10.30am Stations of the Cross—Dederang followed by Reconciliation

3.00pm Liturgy—The Lord's Passion—Mt Beauty followed by Reconciliation

3.00pm Liturgy—The Lord's Passion—Sacred Heart Church Wodonga
Reconciliation 4.00pm—5.00pm

Holy Saturday Vigil: April 11th— 8.00am—Tenebrae—St Augustine's Church - Wodonga

9.00am until 9.30am Reconciliation—Sacred Heart Church - Wodonga

7.30pm Easter Vigil—Sacred Heart Church - Wodonga

7.30pm Easter Vigil—St Joseph's Church - Mt Beauty

Easter Sunday April 12th

Sunrise Service—6.30am Ecumenical service Tawonga Gap—led by St Joseph's Church

8.30am & 10.30am Sacred Heart Church - Wodonga

8.30am St Joseph's Church - Mt Beauty

10.30am Our Lady Help of Christians—Tangambalanga