

**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS  
TANGAMBALANGA**

#### WODONGA PARISH CENTRE

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#### OFFICE HOURS

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

#### PRESBYTERY

55 High Street Wodonga Vic

#### PARISH PRIEST

Father Junjun Amaya  
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#### ASSISTANT PRIEST

Father Shibu-  
Pezhumthottathil  
0432 591 551

#### PASTORAL ASSISTANT

Sister Eileen Reardon  
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#### 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



## April 5th -2020 - Palm Sunday

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**Pope Francis Tweets:** We are one human family. Let us bring all hostilities to a halt. May our joint fight against the COVID-19 pandemic bring everyone to recognize the great need to reinforce brotherly and sisterly bonds.



## Dominic From Papua New Guinea



Dominic, 47 is a father of six from Papua New Guinea. In 2016, he became involved with Caritas Australia's partner, Centre of Hope, who runs safe house and family anonymous programs and turned

**a difficult life and an unhappy relationship around.**

Now a community trainer, he works with other men to help them to change their behaviour and build more harmonious family lives.

Domestic violence, drug and alcohol abuse and limited employment opportunities mean that many in PNG struggle to meet their basic family needs. Forty percent of its population lives below the poverty line.

In 2016, Caritas Australia and its PNG partner, Centre of Hope, invited Dominic to join its Safe House program. It provides Gender-Based-Violence prevention training, counselling services and safe accommodation for women and children survivors of violence. It also provides support for income-generating projects and life skills for young people.

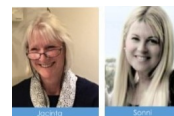


"After entering the Caritas program, I have actually changed some of my bad attitudes. It has really opened my mind and heart to see where my weaknesses are and I'm trying to improve," Dominic says.

Please help support the Safe House project and help bring greater harmony to families in Papua New Guinea. A brighter future for men, women and their families can start today. Let's Go Further, Together.

## 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 Organisation FREE 24-hour: Crisis Support Phone: 13 11 14

**Recent Deaths:** Ivan Seta, John Thornley, Val Curtis, Dr Paul Bready (Dan & Rhonda Toner's son-in-law)

**Anniversaries:** Sr Imelda Gain

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



## **PARISH RENEWAL 2020**

### **Ministries:**

All information is now being collated. We thank all who have indicated their commitment to continue supporting our parish across all our needs. If you are new in offering to assist, the team leader of the group you have selected will contact you.

### **Planned Giving:**

It is gratifying to receive your pledge of financial support. Letters of acknowledgement, including sets of envelopes where required, are being mailed out. Contributions via credit cards and direct debits will continue to be submitted as previously.

Due to the disruption to our weekend gatherings for Masses, we are not receiving any funds from the collections. If anyone is able to contribute online the Parish bank account details are: **BSB 083 971 Account number 51611 9811**. Please reference your contributions with your name and pledge number.

### **Other Contribution's:**

We understand many have lost jobs and are in unknown circumstances at the moment however, if you are in a position to do so and would normally contribute cash to the plate during weekend Masses please use the bank account details above to continue your contributions using your name as a reference.



### First Reading : Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

### Second Reading : Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father

### Looking at the Readings

As we prepare to enter the sacred time of Holy Week, we look again at the significance of Christ in our lives. Though he was really in the form of God, Jesus came in the form of a slave. We have a saviour who was crushed for our iniquities, nailed to a cross as a convicted felon, and there endured the sense of abandonment. We have a saviour who was finally lifted up and exalted precisely because he emptied himself of his divine privileges. Unlike conquerors who triumph by putting down their opponents, Jesus was raised up because he himself was first willing to be put down. We have a saviour who first offered himself for us and then continues to offer himself to us as an example to follow. As he was willing to empty himself for our sake, so we must be willing to empty ourselves for the sake of others.

The best way to enter Holy Week with Jesus is in the company of those with whom he has identified himself: the poor and the broken; the humiliated and the marginalised; those who suffer the abuse of others; those who never use rank to force their will. If we are to be saved, we must go where salvation takes place: in our streets and in our homes where violence rages; in the dark corners of life where despair holds sway; wherever the innocent are abused or the needy are neglected; wherever there is misunderstanding or fear or jealousy. We must go wherever Christ empties himself for our sake. © Dianne Bergant CSA

### Good Idea for the Week

Celebrate the Easter Triduum with the family at home with a prayer table of symbols: Holy Thursday - bread, wine, jug, bowl & towel; Good Friday - cross alone; Easter Vigil - candle, water, bell, flowers and read the scriptures and prayers for each day.

#### Readings this week

Matthew 21: 1-11,  
Isaiah 50: 4-7  
Philippians 2:6-11  
Matthew 26: 14 - 27: 66

#### Readings next week:

Acts 10:34, 37-43  
Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6-8  
John 20:1-9 or Matt 28:1-10

#### Responsorial Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

#### Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!!

#### Prayer of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.