



Sacred Heart Church
Wodonga

Wodonga Catholic Parish

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



July 5th -2020 - The 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time.
~ YEAR A ~

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
0459-356-917

ASSISTANT PRIEST

Father Shibu
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0432 591 551

PASTORAL ASSISTANT

Sister Eileen Reardon
0458 327 554 (Mt Beauty)

WEEKEND MASSES

WODONGA

Sacred Heart Church
Saturday 5:00 pm.
Sunday 8:30 am 11:00 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

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
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
Before Masses

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday will be celebrated throughout Australia this Sunday – despite NAIDOC week occurring later in the year. NATSICC feels it is important that we celebrate as Australians during these difficult times. **Archbishop Pat O'Regan will celebrate a nationally livestreamed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday Mass at 11.30am EST. The link will be available at www.natsicc.org.au**

Looking at the Readings:

The Gospel, today, begins with Jesus praying to the Father. The Gospels give us eleven prayers that Jesus said, nine references (without text) of him praying and four or five times of grace before meals. Here he is thanking God for revealing the mysteries to children and the childlike. Again he calls God, Father, expressing the intimacy he has in prayer and inviting us to the same intimacy. The second section of this passage is a call to be a disciple and offers comfort to the weary and heavily burdened. The hard demands Jesus makes in the earlier chapter 10 (last week's Gospel) are not negated or considered light. We still take up the cross but have Christ with us to ease the heavy burden and the hard demands.

This gospel passage also gives us an insight into the person of Christ: he is teacher and master, servant and close to the Father, meek and humble of heart. He prays in thanksgiving for his disciples who believe in him, but he does not curse those who had rejected him in the earlier scenes.

The Prophet Zechariah

Zechariah lived and wrote in the sixth century before Christ. His book, mostly devoted to the coming of the Messianic Age, is in two distinct sections, chapters 1-8 and 9-14. The latter section was written about 200 years later by other authors. From this section we have only two passages in the three year Sunday cycle, today and the 12th Sunday in Year C. In the two year weekday cycle we have three passages from the first section. Despite its rarity in our Lectionary, it is the second most quoted book of a prophet in the Gospels, second only to the Prophet Isaiah.

Quote of the Week

'Let all guests who come be received like Christ'. Rule of St Benedict

Saint of the Week St Benedict Saturday 11 July

Benedict and his twin sister Scholastica were born in 480 in Nursia, Umbria. By forming communities of monks and writing a rule of life he is considered the father of Western monasticism. His practical life and examples of prayer have helped many in their Christian lives. Note: Bishop Daly was born on the feast of St Scholastica and ordained Bishop of Sandhurst on the feast of St Benedict.



Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30



First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10

The Lord says this:

'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion!
Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!
See now, your king comes to you;
he is victorious, he is triumphant,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will banish chariots from Ephraim
and horses from Jerusalem;
the bow of war will be banished.
He will proclaim peace for the nations.
His empire shall stretch from sea to sea,
from the River to the ends of the earth.'

Second Reading: Romans 8:9,11-13

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children.

Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do.

Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father;
and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened,
and I will give you rest.

Shoulder my yoke and learn from me,
for I am gentle and humble in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

Readings this week

Zechariah 9:9-10
Romans 8:9,11-13
Matthew 11:25-30

Readings next week:

Isaiah 55:10-11
Romans 8:18-23
Matthew 13:1-23

Responsorial Psalm:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia.

Prayer of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Recent Deaths:

Neridah Mildren (teacher at CCW 1984-2015)

Anniversaries:

Brian Sully, Jack & Neta Hanlon

Sick

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



Live via Zoom*

Saturday 8th August

10.00 am – 3.15 pm.

*Available later as a website video.



WHEEL OF PRAYER DAY 2020

**REGISTER BY
FRIDAY JULY 31 2020**

Go to TryBooking
<https://www.trybooking.com/BJUOP>

Please **Include** your email
address for the Zoom meeting
link to be sent to you.

Experience different forms of prayer and connect with other members of our diocesan community. 'Attend' for the full day or workshops of your choice. The day will begin with an introductory reflection and the Prayer of the Church (the 'Liturgy of the Hours') led by **Bishop Shane Mackinlay**. There will be four 45 minute workshops, each offering a brief introduction and experience of prayer, each followed by 15 minutes for questions, discussion or a break:

Our symbol is a wheel. Spokes represent many prayer forms from our rich Christian traditions. The spokes lead to the centre. Each spoke leads inward, towards stillness, quiet and deep listening and waiting at the centre. It is there that Christ may be found. An Australian aboriginal term for this deep stillness, listening and waiting is 'Dadirri'.

FAMILY PRAYER - Anthony & Rosey Kilmartin,
St Brendan's Parish, Shepparton

TAIZE PRAYER - Ruth Lawlor,
Sandhurst Youth Ministry

DEVOTIONAL PRAYER - Fr Stephen Bolling,
St Liborius Parish Eaglehawk

PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE - Lyn Breen,
Adult Faith Education Sandhurst



SEA SUNDAY >> 12 JULY 2020



**Apostleship
of the Sea**
Supporting Seafarers Worldwide

*"Come to me, all you that are weary and are
carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest."*

Matthew 11:28



**100 YEARS
1920-2020**

The Apostleship of the Sea provides spiritual and welfare
support for seafarers visiting Australia.

If you wish to donate, volunteer or contact us, please visit our website:

aos-australia.org

**REVISED Online Program
Saturday, 15 August 2020
catholicmensgathering.com.au**



*"They were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other Apostles,
Brothers - what then must we do?" Acts 2:37*

The ACBC National Catholic Men's Gathering for 2020 is now being offered as an online event for registered participants. This modified program will be delivered in four pre-recorded sessions of approximately 1 hour in length. Each session will offer input from a variety of speakers and musicians, along with a response and questions for group discussion or individual reflection. The program offers flexibility so that you may participate individually or gather with others from your parish/diocese or men's ministry group.

Aim: *To inspire and encourage all Catholic men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish, diocese and the world.*

Cost: **FREE** **Registration:** **Available from Monday 29th June**

Event Program: **Available from Saturday 15th August, 2020**

Go to: www.catholicmensgathering.com.au

WCP Baptism Preparation to Recommence



As of **This Tuesday July 7th** the Wodonga Catholic Parish Baptism Preparation Program will recommence. Preparation evenings will be held on the first Tuesday of each month - start time **6:00 pm In Sacred Heart Church. (Please be aware of social distancing)** Parents of children to be baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Evening, as it is a pre-requisite in our Parish. For information or to register **Contact: The Parish Centre: 6024 3366**



Wodonga Knights of the Southern Cross Branch after lock down:

Knights of the Southern Cross, Wodonga Branch, **A. G. M.**

This Tuesday 7th July in the Parish Centre, from 2:00 pm to 3.30 pm All members welcome.

Afternoon tea provided. **Please remember Social Distancing.**

Michael McCormick, Secretary, Phone 0429009595; Des Lonergan Chairman Phone 0408575825

Booking For Mass : NUMBERS UPDATE

20 people are allowed to be in our public liturgical celebration;

I know many of you loved going to Mass to partake in Holy Communion and just enjoy the company of each other as a community of faith.

Yet to adhere with the directives we are to put some things in place. When you come to Mass, please observe social distancing (1.5 metres) apart. The seats in the Church are marked where you are to sit. Please use the hand sanitiser provided or if you have your own, bring this with you.

To facilitate the cleaning of places in the Church that we may be in contact with, we will just be using one entry and exit point.

At Sacred Heart Church, we will be using the main front Doors. These will be opened before the Mass and closed once Mass begins.

For booking please Phone the Parish Centre(please do not email) Ph: **60243366** - weekdays between 9:30 am and 3:00 pm

If you are feeling unwell (or coughing, sneezing, etc), stay home.

Masses Schedules as follows:

Sacred Heart Church

Tuesday- Friday: 9:15 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm: Sacred Heart Church

Sunday: 8:30 am: Sacred Heart

Sunday: 11:00 am: Sacred Heart

(If necessary we will run a 5:00 pm Mass on Sunday @ Sacred Heart Church)

Holy Hour (including Evening Prayer, Holy Rosary and Benediction will also be live streamed at Wodonga Catholic Parish Facebook Page most evenings at 6:00 pm.

For more query ring myself Ph: 0459356917 or the Parish Centre: Ph: 60243366

Looking forward to seeing you all soon.

Yours in Christ *Fr Junjun*

A Safe Parish Is a Shared Responsibility:



Wodonga Catholic Parish Safety Officers. Our Parish safety officers are Jacinta Bartlett Ph: 0418470532 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