

Wodonga Catholic Parish



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January 31st - 2021 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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Father Dean Bongat

0401 337 433

PASTORAL ASSISTANT

Sister Eileen Reardon

0458 327 554 (Mt Beauty)

WEEKEND MASSES

WODONGA

Sacred Heart Church

Saturday 5:00 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 Mass

5th Sunday 10:30 am Liturgy

of The Word and Communion

MT BEAUTY

St Joseph's

1st to 4th Sunday 8.30am

5th Sunday 8.30am Liturgy of

The Word and Communion

WEEKDAY MASS:

Sacred Heart Church

Tuesday to Friday 9:15 am

SATURDAY

St Augustine's Church

Saturday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION:

St Augustine's Church

Saturday 9.00am to 9.30am

Country Churches: Before Mass



QR CODE:

You may notice next to the sign in sheet in the foyer of Sacred Heart Church and various places around the church this QR Code:

This code is used for contract tracing in regards to Covid19 which is a government requirement.

TO USE: Simply use the camera in your phone, hold it over the code. A link will appear - hit the link - this will take you to a form where you can record your name and phone number.

If you are having trouble with this code our priests are happy to help you.

If you do not have a smart phone please print your details in the sign-in sheet in the foyer of the church. Thank you for your understanding it is very much appreciated.

Looking At The Readings:

Discipleship requires a change in us. We want to change because in so many ways we are being strangled to death by demons. We are caught in dysfunction and sin; we live in the midst of the battle between good and evil, the struggle of human finitude and failure. We are plunged into the throes of human suffering and pain, and there seems to be no escape.

The demonic seduces us in more ways than we can count and we are often caught in its web before we recognise what has happened. There have always been many and varied voices that claim to have the remedy for our ills. Preachers and politicians have stirred up crowds and ignited their emotions. Promises have been made and predictions advanced, yet the conflict goes on, the demons continue to hold sway. The demon recognised the authority in the voice of Jesus. Do we recognise it?

When we are released by Jesus from the demons that possess us, we are freed from the stranglehold of evil and liberated to live far less encumbered and divided lives. No Earthly reality will possess us, neither relationships nor obligations nor even religious practices. Rather, we will be possessed by Christ who liberates us for the reign of God. Therefore, whether married or unmarried, whether in the midst of the community or at its margins, we will be able to heed the voice of God in our hearts and to recognise Jesus in our midst.

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Recent Deaths: Kath Twycross, Kevin Sadler,

Anniversaries: Jack Goonan,

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

Liturgical Jottings: The Sign of Peace

[After the Fraction] follows the Rite of Peace, by which the Church entreats peace and unity for herself and for the whole human family, and the faithful express to each other their ecclesial communion and mutual charity before receiving in the Sacrament. The local Conference of Bishops in accordance with the culture and customs of the peoples establish the manner for the actual sign of peace to be given. However, it is appropriate that each person, in a sober manner, offer the sign of peace to those who are nearest ,cf GIRM 82.

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Gospel Mark 1:21-28

Jesus and his followers went as far as Capernaum,

and as soon as the Sabbath came Jesus went to the synagogue and began to teach.

And his teaching made a deep impression on them because, unlike the scribes, he taught them with authority.

In their synagogue just then there was a man possessed by an unclean spirit, and it shouted,

'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are:
the Holy One of God.' But Jesus said sharply, 'Be quiet! Come out of him!'

And the unclean spirit threw the man into convulsions and with a loud cry went out of him.

The people were so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant.

'Here is a teaching that is new' they said 'and with authority behind it:

he gives orders even to unclean spirits and they obey him.'

And his reputation rapidly spread everywhere, through all the surrounding Galilean countryside.

Readings this week:

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Mark 1:21-28

Reading next week

Job 7:1-4,6-7

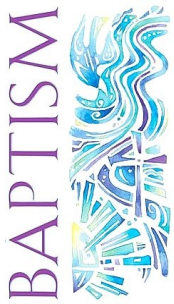
1 Cor 9: 16-19,22-23

Mark 1:29-39

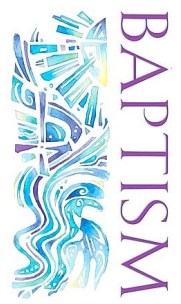
Responsorial Psalm: If today, you hear His voice, harden not your heart

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! A people in darkness
have seen great light: a radiant dawn shines on those lost in
death. Alleluia!

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.



Welcome



We welcome & congratulate Chelsea Lewis, Bobbi Barker and families who have celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism this month.

Welcome Fr. D.J. Suguitan.

Please join us for morning tea after our 10:30 am Mass as we welcome Fr D. J. Suguitan this weekend as he celebrates his Thanksgiving Mass in our parish.

Word of God Sunday:

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the First Sunday in February – February 7 in 2021. Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to “the celebration, study and dissemination” of the Word of God.

Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgod sunday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Please note: the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated at St Augustine's Church on Saturdays 9.00 to 9.30 am, due to Fr Junjun being on leave from 14th January till 6th February.

St Joseph's Dederang:

Notice to Parishioners of St Joseph's Dederang A Church meeting will be held at Dederang after Mass on the 21st February. Di Goonan 0418 114 751

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Continuing the Journey of Discernment to the Plenary Council:

The 3rd of 6 Diocesan wide Zoom Discernment Sessions will take place on Thursday 4th February at 7:30pm. All are invited to take part in this process of discernment focusing on the Thematic Paper “How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is open to Conversion, renewal and reform?”

Email plenary@sandhurst.catholic.org.au to register and receive the Zoom details.

To access the thematic paper head to the Plenary Council Website:

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/themes/renewal/

What's Happening in Our Parish



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

CEW Staff are invited to become a Eucharistic Minister. Training to be conducted by Fr. Junjun and can be attended as a refresher course for current Ministers.

THURSDAY 4 FEBRUARY
5:30-7PM

SACRED HEART CHURCH WODONGA
RSVP by 2 February chris.telford@ccw.vic.edu.au

"The Eucharist is "the source and summit" of the Christian life. The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it."
(CCC#1324)



*Participants must be baptised and completed the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist

Baptism Preparation Evening:

Preparation evenings are held on the first Tuesday of each month.

Our next Preparation evening is Tuesday 2nd of February at 6:00 pm. In Sacred Heart Church.

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 or to register*

Contact: The Parish Centre:
6024 3366 OR E:
wodcath@bigpond.net.au

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We have become aware that a number of our parishioners are turning 80 in 2021. Let's get together each month to celebrate this marvellous time in our lives. We would love anyone interested to join us on the 4th Friday of each month as we celebrate the year away.

Please phone : 0458 327 554 or 0458 031903

Please Note: Covid Restriction to be Observed