



Wodonga Catholic Parish



March 7th - 2021 The 3rd Sunday of Lent

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 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:

Sacred Heart 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 contact 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 on the sign-in sheet in the foyer of the church. Thank you for your understanding it is very much appreciated.

Olivia's Story from Tanzania - Week 2

"In the depths of every heart, love creates bonds and expands existence, for it draws people out of themselves and towards others."

Pope Francis

Twenty-two-year-old Oliva lives in Tanzania with her farmer husband, two young sons and an adopted niece and nephew.

She didn't have the opportunity to go to school growing up - and was embarrassed that she couldn't read, write or count. Around 25 percent of Tanzanian girls and women over 15 years cannot read or write, with many families unable to afford school fees or uniforms.

Now, as an adult, Oliva runs a kiosk and works as a farm labourer - but her business was losing money because she couldn't add up. Then Oliva enrolled in Caritas Australia-supported literacy and numeracy classes. She also set up a classroom at home to teach her neighbours, for free, because they were too shy to attend larger classes. Oliva has now graduated, as have some of

her students. Attendance at her classes is growing, her kiosk is thriving and she can help her children with their homework. She aims to become a pastor and run for leadership in the next local election. Oliva aspires to "Be More" and wants to help her community to achieve its vision of a better life for all.

"I am proud to be a teacher who helps others to achieve their dream," Oliva says.



Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

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

Octogenarians 2021

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— 10:00 am. Huon Hill**, as we celebrate the year away. Please phone : 0458 327 554 or 0458 031 903

Please Note: Covid Restrictions to be Observed

John 2:13-35

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers,

'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market.'

Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?'

Jesus answered,

'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up.'

The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?'

But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.

During his stay in Jerusalem for the Passover many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he gave, but Jesus knew them all and did not trust himself to them; he never needed evidence about any man; he could tell what a man had in him.

Readings this week:

Exodus 20:1-17

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

John 2:13-35

Reading next week

2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23

Ephesians 2:4-10

John 3:14-21

Responsorial Psalm :

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.



First Reconciliation Enrolment:

Enrolments are now open for the Wodonga Catholic Parish First Reconciliation Program. An enrolment form can be found on our website via email wodcath@bigpond.net.au or via our CEW Schools. Your form must be completed and returned to the Parish Centre – no later than Monday the 19th April. If you have any queries or concerns please don't hesitate to contact the Parish Centre PH: 60243366

An Invitation to Journey through Lent together as a Parish Community.

Please Join us this Wednesday the 10th of March as

Frs, Junjun and Dean facilitate conversation and reflection during the Season of Lent, leading up to Easter as an opportunity to renew our faith in Jesus and strengthen our parish community.

When: Wednesday nights through to the 31 March, 2021.

Where: Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga:

Arrive from 7:00 p.m. for a cuppa, conversation to begin at 7.30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

We will also live stream this for parishioners who are unable to attend.

Please if possible RSVP to Parish Centre - 02 6024 3366 - to cater for COVID Safety/Restrictions.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Our Parish team invites
you to **Come and See!**

*If you are interested in
becoming a Catholic.

*If you know someone who is
interested in becoming a
Catholic.

*If you are already a
Catholic and want to learn
more about the Catholic
faith.

*If you are a baptised adult
and haven't received the
Sacraments of Confirmation
and Eucharist and would like
to do so.

**When: Sunday mornings at
9:30 after 8:30 Mass**
**Where: The Sacred Heart
Church meeting room.**
**For further information con-
tact: Marg Ph: 0458 031 903.**

Baptism Preparation Evening:

Please Note:

Our next Preparation evening is Tuesday March 9th 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 and other family are also welcome. For information or to register **Contact: The Parish Centre: 6024 3366 OR E:wodcath@bigpond.net.au.**

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Do you have a child in the sacramental program, a baptism coming up or are you just in need of that special gift?

Our gift shop is open and raring to go!
Please browse the variety of stock on offer after each weekend Mass.

For details contact Cecilia,
Ph: 0428 186 841

Knights of the Southern Cross

The KSC next meeting

**Wednesday March
10th**

in the Parish Centre
meeting room
commencing at

11:00 pm.

Contact Des Lonergan
phone 0408575825

**All members most
welcome.**



Wodonga Catholic Parish Holy Week & Easter Mass Times 2021

Palm Sunday: March 28th - Blessing of the palms at all Masses this weekend.

Chrism Mass: March 30th - Sacred Heart Cathedral, **Bendigo 11:00 am**

Holy Thursday: April 1st- 8.00 am - Tenebrae – St Augustine's Church, Wodonga
(Extended Morning Prayer of the Church)

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

7.00 pm Reconciliation - **Mt Beauty**

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

7.30 pm 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 **9.00 pm**

Good Friday April 2nd - **.8.00 am** - Tenebrae - St Augustine's Church - Wodonga

10.30 am Stations of the Cross — **Dederang** followed by Reconciliation

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

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

Holy Saturday Vigil April 3rd - **8.00 am** - Tenebrae - St Augustine's Church, Wodonga

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

9:30 am - Preparation Rites: RCIA Candidates Sacred Heart Church **Wodonga**

7.30 pm Easter Vigil — Sacred Heart Church **Wodonga**

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

Easter Sunday April 4th-

Sunrise Service - 6:30 am Ecumenical Service **Tawonga Gap**—Led by St Joseph's Catholic Church

8.30 am & 10.30 am Sacred Heart Church **Wodonga**

8.30 am St Joseph's Church **Mt Beauty**

10.30 am St Joseph's Church **Dederang**