

# Wodonga Catholic Parish



## April 25th - 2021 4th Sunday of Easter

### 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  
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### PASTORAL ASSISTANT

Sister Eileen Reardon  
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### 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

#### 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

### Live streaming Mass daily @wodongacatholicparish facebook page

Mass in our church has resumed however, if you are unable to attend Mass we are still live streaming our Masses daily. Find us on Facebook. @wodongacatholicparish attending Mass please use the QR Code or use the sign in sheets provided.

### QR CODE UPDATE:

You may notice next to the sign in sheets in the foyer of the Church is a QR Code: This code is used for contact tracing in regards to Covid19 which is a government requirement.

**TO USE THE QR CODE :** 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 details

***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.

### Looking at the Readings:

This Sunday is traditionally known as Good Shepherd Sunday. Two major themes emerge from the readings: an image of the one who saves; and the power of salvation itself. The one who saves is not a mighty warrior who comes in military array. In fact, he is the one who was rejected, who was hunted down, humiliated, tortured and hung naked on a tree, there to die in shame. The one who saves is the cornerstone of the building, holding it together, forming a firm foundation so that the structure will not collapse. The one who saves is a lowly shepherd, entrusted with sheep, not with the affairs of state. The one who saves is an unlikely saviour. This characterisation should give us pause. Is it possible that we have been looking for a saviour in the wrong places?

God's saving power flows from steadfast covenant love. It broke open the world in the death and resurrection of Jesus and it overflows as healing grace. The saving power in the name of Jesus, a name that itself means 'saviour' (cf. Matt 1:21), is for all people, even for those sheep who do not yet belong to this fold. Furthermore, it is for all time; God's mercy endures forever. Through our baptism we can bring the saving grace of God to a world in desperate need of healing. We can do this in our families, in our local communities, in the workplace, in so many situations of our lives.

### RCIA( Rite of Christian Initiation)

This weekend at 5pm Mass we welcome, Lapka, Aruna, Bamila and Manoj who are completing their period of preparation to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at Pentecost.

## WODONGA ROSTERS 2ND MAY 2021

**SACRED HEART CLEANING:** Volunteers

**SACRED HEART ALTAR:** Volunteers

**MASS TIMES:**                      5:00 pm    8:30 am    10:30 am

**ALTAR SERVERS .**

**Lector 1:**     Juliana Vaughan  
**Lector 2:**     Rosanna Jackson

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**Lector 2:**     John Barrat

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**Lector 2:**     Natalie Sobolewski

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS—NOT AT PRESENT**

**Children's Liturgy:**

8.30 am Mass: Not at present     10.30 Mass: Not at present

**COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 25TH APRIL**

**THIS WEEK: TEAM 10:**     John Dunstan, Frank Hanrahan, Gloria Humpage, Mavis Hyndman

**NEXT WEEK: TEAM 1:**     John Dwyer, Mick Bone, Greg & Maureen Baker, John Foley

**MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 2ND MAY**

**LECTOR:**    TBA  
**Backup:**    TBA  
**COMMENTATOR:**    TBA  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**    TBA & Volunteer  
**Mowing:**    TBA

**DEDERANG ROSTERS: 2ND MAY**

**FIRST / SECOND READING:**    Harrison Fischer  
**WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL:**    Diane Goonan  
**POWERPOINT:**    Madison Coulston  
**OFFERTORY:**    Fischer  
**CLEANING ROSTER:**    Mary Read

**Get Vaccinated.....**  
**for the Common Good:**

Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

**Project Compassion Receipts**

Project compassion Receipts are now available for collection at the Parish Centre.

**Volunteers Required**

THANK YOU to those who maintain the beauty of our church grounds and the interior of our churches.

At Sacred Heart Church we are asking for help in cleaning our church and maintaining the cleanliness of the Sanctuary. Due to changes in circumstances some of our volunteers are no longer available to continue. The carpet is vacuumed by a contractor, so the work is light. Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to assist. **Ph: 60243366 OR E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au**

**Octogenarians**

**Please note change of venue**

Our next Octogenarian gathering is Friday  
April 30th, 10 am - Blind Freddie's Cafe  
**All welcome.**

Last year's 80s and everyone (no matter what your age) who would like to join us is very welcome.

Contact numbers: 0458031903 0458327554

**Baptism Preparation Evening:**

**Please Note:**

**Our next Preparation evening is  
Tuesday May 4th 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:**

**PH: 6024 3366 OR**

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**Recent Deaths:** Hayden Bruce, Tom Sheather, Therese Wladkawski.

**Anniversaries:** John Kelly, Edward (Ted) Horne.

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

## Gospel: John 10:11-18

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep;

this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd. The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

### Readings this week:

Acts 4:32-35

1 John 5:1-6

John 10:11-18

### Readings next week

Acts 9:26-31

1 John 3:18-24

John 15:1-8

**Responsorial Psalm :** The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

**Prayers of the Faithful:** Lord, hear our prayer.

## Sacramental Program – First Reconciliation

The Sacramental Team and Religious Education Co-Ordinator's from our primary schools will facilitate the program to assist parents in the preparation of their children for First Reconciliation during the month of May. Families will attend once a week for **three (3)** weeks in Sacred Heart Church on a Tuesday (4pm-5pm) **or** a Thursday (6pm-7pm).

### AN ANZAC DAY PRAYER



God of remembrance, on this Anzac Day, we remember those who have served our country in all defence forces. May we understand the sacrifice of the first ANZACs and pray for all those who have lost their lives in war, those who have lost loved ones and those who continue to be traumatised by the effects of war.

In our hands are the destinies of Australia and every nation.

**May** we continue to value the freedom and security we are privileged to enjoy in this beautiful country and may we have the grace to live in a spirit of justice and generosity.

**We** pray for peace throughout our world, in the name of Christ, the Prince of Peace. **Amen**

*They shall grow not old  
As we that are left grow old  
Age shall not weary them  
Not the years condemn  
At the going down of the sun,  
and in the morning  
We will remember them  
Lest we forget*



## ...The First Anzac Day

In 1916 the first Anzac Day commemorations were held on 25 April. The day was marked by a wide variety of ceremonies and services across Australia, a march through London, and a sports day in the Australian camp in Egypt. In London more than 2,000 Australian and New Zealand troops marched through the streets; a London newspaper headline dubbed them "the knights of Gallipoli". Marches were held all over Australia; in the Sydney march convoys of cars carried soldiers wounded on Gallipoli and their nurses. For the remaining years of the war Anzac Day was used as an occasion for patriotic rallies and recruiting campaigns, and parades of serving members of the AIF were held in most cities.

## ....What it means today .....

Anzac Day, 25 April, is one of Australia's most important national occasions. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. The soldiers in those forces quickly became known as Anzacs, and the pride they took in that name endures to this day. Australians recognise 25 April as a day of National Remembrance, which takes two forms. Commemorative services are held across the nation at dawn – the time of the original landing, while later in the day, former servicemen and servicewomen meet to take part in marches through the country's major cities and in many smaller centres. Commemorative ceremonies are more formal, and are held at war memorials around the country. In these ways, Anzac Day is a time at which Australians reflect on the many different meanings of war.



**...Why is this day special to Australians?** When war broke out in 1914 Australia had been a federated nation for only 13 years, and its government was eager to establish a reputation among the nations of the world. When Britain declared war in August 1914 Australia was automatically placed on the side of the Commonwealth. In 1915 Australian and New Zealand soldiers formed part of the expedition that set out to capture the Gallipoli peninsula in order to open the Dardanelles to the allied navies. The ultimate objective was to capture Constantinople (now Istanbul), the capital of the Ottoman Empire, an ally of Germany. The Australian and New Zealand forces landed on Gallipoli on 25 April, meeting fierce resistance from the Ottoman Turkish defenders. What had been planned as a bold stroke to knock Turkey out of the war quickly became a stalemate, and the campaign dragged on for eight months. At the end of 1915 the allied forces were evacuated from the peninsula, with both sides having suffered heavy casualties and endured great hardships. More than 8,000 Australian soldiers had died in the campaign. Gallipoli had a profound impact on Australians at home, and 25 April soon became the day on which Australians remembered the sacrifice of those who died in the war. Although the Gallipoli campaign failed in its military objectives, the actions of Australian and New Zealand forces during the campaign left a powerful legacy. What became known as the "Anzac legend" became an important part of the identity of both nations, shaping the ways in which they viewed both their past and their future.

**Anzac Day 2021** This ANZAC Day Victorians will come together to honour and commemorate the service and sacrifice of the men and women of the Australian Defence force.



**ANZAC Day 2021:** <http://www.rslvic.com.au/anzac-day/anzac-day-2021/>

**Find your local service:** <http://www.rslvic.com.au/anzac-day/commemorate-locally/>

**Donate to the ANZAC Appeal:** <https://anzacappeal.com.au/>

