

# **Wodonga Catholic Parish**

INCORPORATING

SACRED HEART CHURCH, Beechworth Rd Wodonga, ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, High St Wodonga, ST FRANCIS, Bethanga, OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS, Tangambalanga, ST. JOSEPH'S, Dederang, ST. JOSEPH'S, Mt. Beauty & Parishes of Tallangatta & Corryong.



# May 23rd-2021 Pentecost Sunday

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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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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

#### **TANGAMBALANGA**

Our Lady Help of Christians 2nd & 4th Sunday 10:30 am

#### BETHANGA

St Francis No Masses

<u>Dederang</u>

St Joseph's

1st, 3rd, Sunday 10.30am Mass

### MT BEAUTY

St Joseph's

1st to 4th Sunday 8.30am 5th Sunday 8.30am Liturgy of The Word and Communion

#### <u>Tallangatta</u>

St Michael's Church Sunday - 9.00 am Corryong:

Sacred Heart Church Sunday - 11.30 am 2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday.

Walwa: Christ The King 1st & 3rd Sunday-11:30am

Mitta & Sandy Creek No Masses

#### **WEEKDAY MASS**:

Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga Tuesday to Friday 9:15 am SATURDAY

St Augustine's Church

Saturday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION:

Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga Saturday 9:00am to 9:30am

Country Churches: Before



~Pope Francis ~ In the age of the computer, distances are increasing: the more we use the social media, the less social we are becoming. We need the Spirit of unity to regenerate us as Church, as God's People and as a human family.



## **Looking at the Readings:**

As with the Ascension last week, the account of Pentecost is given in the first reading, the Acts of he Apostles. Again the event is seeped in mystery and drama. The Second Reading on the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the Gospel on the effects of the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Disciples: truth and glory complement our reading of the Pentecost event. It occurred in time but is timeless for our annual celebration.

By repetition St Paul emphasised the imperative to be guided by the Holy Spirit (verses 16, 18 & 26). Disciples must live accordingly showing the fruits of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. This impressive list is in opposition to the tendencies of the flesh that St Paul also lists.

The Holy Spirit is called the Advocate, the Paraclete, the Witness. The overtones of the legal system is not lost on the reader and the apostles for many a time they faced tribunals, courts and the Sanhedrin to give witness and defence of their Christian faith. "Thanks to the Spirit, the Word is still living in the world, being poured out and raising up new disciples everywhere ... so that the kingdom may come."

### Words of Pope Francis

We need the Spirit to give us new eyes, to open our mind and our heart so as to face this moment and the future with the lesson we have learned: we are a single humanity. We cannot save ourselves by ourselves. No one saves him or herself alone. No one. Saint Paul said, in the Letter to the Galatians: "There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus" (3:28), united by the power of the Holy Spirit. Through this baptism of the Holy Spirit that Jesus announces. We know it, we knew it, but this pandemic we are living through has made us experience it in a much more dramatic way Pentecost Message 2020



This week the Parish received a thank you letter On behalf of the Holy Land Custody of the Franciscan Friar and the Christians of the Holy Land. Thanking and expressing gratitude to our parishioners for the generous contribution to the Good Friday Holy Land Collection 2021- asking that we continue to pray for the Holy Land and it's peoples. I have posted a link on our Facebook page to their website for your information.

## Live streaming Mass daily @ Wodonga Catholic Parish 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. https://www.facebook.com/wodongacatholicparish

When attending Mass please use the QR Code or use the sign in sheets provided. If you're having trouble using the QR code our priests are happy to assist.

<u>Parishioners please note:</u> If you would like your loved ones recent death, anniversary or ill health acknowledged in this bulletin for prayers to be offered. Please pass this information on to the Priest or email Sonni at: wodcath@bigpond.net.au. OR phone Wodonga Catholic Parish Centre Ph: 0260243366. Due to privacy laws we are unable to place names in the bulletin unless requested by a relative.

**Anniversaries:** 

Win Hayward, Elsie Schuntner, Ethel Dow, Mary Christensen, May Crompvoets

Sick:

Jack Love, Gabrielle Radcliffe, John Radcliffe, Salome Ramirez, Ric Glavocih, Mary Shaddock, Ricky Ellul, Zak Oliver, parishioners who are ill, their families & Carers.

### **Eucharistic Ministers Please Note:**

We hope to resume this ministry, both with visits to the sick and during our weekend Masses.

We will be preparing rosters shortly.

Please contact the Parish Centre if you are interested in becoming involved in this ministry **Ph: 6024 3366** OR

E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au Please also contact the Parish Centre if you are unavailable for this ministry.



# Continuing Their Faith Journey: Sacramental Program

We welcome our young candidates who are preparing to make their First Reconciliation and their families.

### <u>Pope Francis Inaugurates</u> <u>the Marathon of Prayer</u>

The Pope's intention for the inaugural event was "for the entire world wounded by this pandemic."

"At the beginning of this month dedicated to Our Lady," the Holy Father said, "We join together in prayer with all the sanctuaries spread throughout the whole world, with the faithful, and with all persons of good will, to entrust into the hands of our Holy Mother the whole human race, sorely tried by this period of pandemic."

Each day of the coming month, he said, "the many people who have been affected by the virus, and who continue to suffer the consequences of the pandemic," will be entrusted to the Blessed Virgin Mary, "Mother of Mercy."

### Seminar Quiet Afternoon

You are invited to an afternoon of Hospitality at St Patrick's Albury on Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> of May 1pm to 5pm Venue St Patrick's Supper Room

# Theme Hospitality Living in the Warm Embrace of God

We will explore this theme through the Scriptures, Song, Poetry, and in the writings and teachings of the Mystics with Talks, Quiet Reflection Times, & Sharing, finishing with a short Liturgy.

Afternoon tea (Devonshire tea) provided.

Facilitator Maree Sobolewski MA Theology Enquiries 0467805100 All Welcome



A quote from Benedictine Sister Magdalen: There is an invitation in these uncertain times to go deeper, a call to a deeper contemplative living. Living in the unconditionally hospitable embrace of God we are more enabled to embrace ourselves with unconditional hospitality and there is a natural flow which extends to the embrace of others

### WODONGA ROSTERS 30TH MAY 2021

**SACRED HEART ALTAR:** Volunteers **SACRED HEART CLEANING:** Frank Hanrahan, Rosanna Jackson

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

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Lector 1: Rosanna Jackson Lector 1: Lector 1: Kath Sartori Barry Jackson

Lector 2: Lector 2: Lector 2: Juliana Vaughan Michael Iverson Natalie Sobolewski

### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS—NOT AT PRESENT**

8.30 am Mass: Greg Walsh & Volunteer 10.30 Mass: Not at present

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 9TH MAY

THIS WEEK: TEAM 4: Margo Dare, Pauline Acott, Kate McAlinden, Kath Didier

Margo Keat, Gerry & Marion Fitzpatrick NEXT WEEK: **TEAM 5**:

> MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 30THMAY **DEDERANG ROSTERS: 6TH JUNE**

LECTOR: TBA FIRST / SECOND READING: Harrison Fischer

WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL: Sharon Coulston TBA Backup:

**COMMENTATOR: TBA** POWERPOINT: Madison Coulston

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** TBA & Volunteer OFFERTORY: Kirlev

CLEANING ROSTER: Diane Goonan Mowing: **TBA** 

# Gospel: John 15:26-27, 16:12-15 Jesus said to his disciples:

'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. 'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now.

But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come.

He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine.

Everything the Father has is mine;

that is why I said:

All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

### Readings this week:

Acts 2:1-11

Galatians 5:16-25

John 15:26-27, 16:12-15

### Readings next week

Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40

Romans 8:14-17

Matthew 28:16-20

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, send out your Spirit

and renew the face of the earth.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit,

fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in

them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

<u>Prayers of the Faithful:</u> Lord, hear our prayer.

## **Important Information:**

### **Parishioners Please Note:**

\* Due to covid restrictions, the collection baskets cannot be passed around during Mass, please place your offering in the baskets situated on the back pews in the centre of the church. Thank you

## Tallangatta & Corryong Parishes

Are you a parishioner of Tallangatta or Corryong Parish?

Would you like to place a notice in the Bulletin?

If so, please contact Sonni Ph: 6024 3366 OR E:wodcath@bigpond.net.au

# Farewell Ita & John Arter

On Saturday the 8th of May we farewelled Ita and John Arter who are much loved long serving parishioner's of St Joseph's Church, Mt Beauty. We wish John and Ita well as they enter the next phase of their life together in making the move to be closer to family.





### Wodonga Catholic Parish Gift Shop

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 ONLY**.





# Octogenarians

Noun-a person who is between 80 and 89 years old.

We are meeting again, 10 am at Blind Freddies next Friday, May 28th.

If you turned 80 last year or this year, if you are a friend or family member or if you would like to join us for a celebratory cuppa please come along. Everyone is welcome.





## Please Join US!

This weekend we welcome two families joining our Catholic community at 5pm Mass.

We invite parishioners, to join us after Mass at Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga for a cuppa and a chance to welcome and congratulate Lakpa, Aruna, Manoj, Bimala, and their children.

Thank you from the RCIA team