

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.



June 13th-11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO USE THIS QR CODE:



This QR code is to be used for contact tracing in regards to Covid19. This 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.**

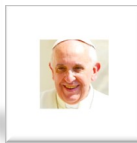
If you do not have a smart phone please print your details on the sign-in sheet in the foyer of the church. Thank you for your understanding it is very much appreciated.

Important information:

Please be aware booking for Mass at Sacred Heart Church Wodonga is essential you may book in via the trybooking link.

<https://www.trybooking.com/BRZHI>

or call the Parish centre between 10:00am and 3:00pm PH: 60243366.



Words of Pope Francis

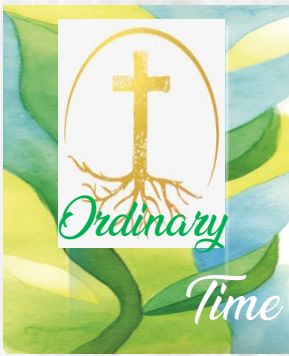
When human history seems to develop contrary to the will of God, we are called to live this period as a season of trial, of hope and in vigilant waiting for the harvest. The Kingdom grows mysteriously; its power is hidden in a small seed that is filled with victorious vitality. When times are dark, we need to trust in God's quiet but powerful action, and remain anchored in God's faithfulness, in his presence which always saves. Angelus Address 17/06/2018.

Looking at the Readings

We enter the parable section of Mark's Gospel. In the first half of the chapter (4:1-25) are the parables about the sower and seed and the lamp under the bushel. Jesus also gives two explanations on why he uses parables 4:12 & 33-34: so that they may hear, understand and turn away from sin by first quoting the opposite from the Prophet Isaiah 6:9-10. Story telling is prevalent in Jesus teaching as it is in many cultures and families. We convey our history, identity and wisdom. We remember past lessons and learn new ones. We listen to them, understand and honour them.

The Gospel selection today contains two parables: The Planting of Seed and The Mustard Seed comparing the growth in nature with the emergence and growth of, and purpose for the Kingdom of God..

The Prophet Ezekiel is also a good storyteller with his visions and prophecies including the noble cedar tree, the eagles and vines, hearts of stone and flesh, bad shepherds valley of dry bones, the river and the temple. Interestingly when the Lord uses similar images, he applies them quite differently. It is not the mighty and noble Cedar that provides shade and home for the birds but the lowly mustard bush. The parable of the Mustard Tree as the "Kingdom of God" would startle the listeners, challenge their ideas and even defy their common logic. God is certainly the "God of Surprises"



WODONGA PARISH CENTRE

283 Beechworth Road

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OFFICE HOURS

9:30 am - 3:00 pm

Monday to Friday

PRESBYTERY

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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

TANGAMBALANGA

Our Lady Help of Christians

3rd Sunday 10:30 am

BETHANGA

St Francis No Masses

DEDERANG

St Joseph's

1st Sunday 10.30am Mass

MT BEAUTY

St Joseph's

1st & 3rd Sunday 8.30am

5th Sunday 8:30am Liturgy of

The Word and Communion

TALLANGATTA

St Michael's Church

2nd & 4th Sunday - 11:00am

CORRYONG:

Sacred Heart Church

2nd & 4th Saturday 6:00pm

WALWA:

Christ The King

2nd & 4th Sunday 8:30am

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

Mass.

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.

Parishioners please note: 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.

Recent Deaths: Aileen Keane (older sister of Msgr Peter Jeffrey)

Anniversaries: Lisa Christopher, Bill Osbourne, Frank Gullifer, Peter Everette.

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



**A MUST-READ BOOK BY JOAN CHITTISTER
BEFORE THE PLENARY COUNCIL 2021**

**THE TIME IS NOW
A Call to Uncommon Courage
SISTER JOAN CHITTISTER OSB**

Joan Chittister has been a passionate voice for reform for many years, and with the Plenary Council soon upon us, we thought it fitting we highlight one of Joan's bestselling books that addresses the need for change.

The Time is Now: A Call to Uncommon Courage was an important reference throughout Joan's virtual event, *The Future of Catholicism in Australia* held on Sunday May 2, 2021.

Joan's energising message invites us to participate in a vision for a world greater than the one we find ourselves in today. This is spirituality in action. It's practical and powerful activism that has never been more timely for Australians to take.

Joan's talk in regards to the Plenary Council is available free, online until June 30, 2021 at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5BmW2xwQkbU>

OR go to the Wodonga Catholic Parish Facebook Page. <https://www.facebook.com/wodongacatholicparish>

and click on the photo of Joan.



YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH – BOOK

This is the year of St Joseph, Head and guardian of the Holy Family, and Protector of The Church. In these days when both the family and the Church are under threat we should turn to St Joseph in prayer.

To assist us in prayer, and to get to know St Joseph better, a wonderful new highly recommended book by Father Donald Calloway, " CONSECRATION TO SAINT JOSEPH - The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father " is available at a greatly discounted price of \$22 by phoning Sebastian on 0439 847 894.

Continuing the Journey of Discernment to the Plenary Council:

The final Diocesan-wide Zoom Discernment Sessions on the 6 thematic papers will take place on **Tuesday 15th June 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 missionary and evangelising .

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

Learning Disability Week. 14-20 June 2021.

A shocking fact is that people with learning disabilities will die 15-20 years sooner, on average, than the general population. This is not an inevitable consequence of their disability; rather, it is a matter of social injustice where this vulnerable group experiences some of the worst of what society has to offer: low incomes, no work, poor housing, social isolation and loneliness, bullying and abuse.

Mary Pianta.
Disability Contact Coordinator.

WODONGA ROSTERS 20TH JUNE 2021

SACRED HEART CLEANING: Volunteers

SACRED HEART ALTAR: Mary Harkness, Jennifer Flower

MASS TIMES: 5:00 pm

8:30 am

10:30 am

ALTAR SERVERS

Lector 1: Marilyn Seiter

Lector 2: David Gill

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Lector 1: Ross Black

Lector 2: Luci Saric

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Lector 2: Kath Sartori

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 pm Sandy, Kevin & Mavis

8:30 am Mike, Bernie & Anne

10:30 am Jean, Nina & Dianne

Children's Liturgy:

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

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 6TH JUNE

THIS WEEK: TEAM 7: Don Cameron, Damien Hunt, Peter Murray, Michael McCormick

NEXT WEEK: TEAM 8: Ross Black, Lorraine Gill, David & Helen Gill, Frank Watson

MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 20TH JUNE

LECTOR: TBA

Backup: TBA

COMMENTATOR: TBA

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: TBA & Volunteer

Mowing: TBA

DEDERANG ROSTERS: 4TH JULY

FIRST / SECOND READING: Alanna Kirley

WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL: Sharon Coulston

POWERPOINT: Madison Coulston

OFFERTORY: Coulston

CLEANING ROSTER: Kerry Kirley

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowd, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it.

He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

Readings this week:

Ezekiel 17:22-24

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Mark 4:26-34

Readings next week

Isaiah 49:1-6

Acts 13:22-16

Luke 1:27-66,80

Responsorial Psalm : Lord it is good to give thanks to you.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

Prayers of the Faithful: 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

'ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT'

VIRTUAL PASTORAL MINISTRY CONFERENCE 8-10 JULY 2021

You are invited: to "Alive in the Spirit", an innovative online pastoral ministry conference, from 8 to 10 July 2021, to enliven and inspire our Catholic Church communities through a variety of keynotes, workshops and enriching prayer and worship experiences. For registration and more details: www.aliveinthespirit.com.au.

Liturgical Jottings:

Gospel Sequence

We resume the Season of the ordered Sundays (Ordinary Time) after 100 days of Lent, Easter and feast days. This week and the next, 11th and 12th Sundays, the readings form a sequence of Christ's teaching. The previous chapters of Mark gave accounts of some healing miracles. In this chapter Jesus teaches his followers using several agricultural parables and teaches his apostles by the calming of the stormy sea. They have to make a decision to remain his followers after the scribes from Jerusalem and even his family think he is possessed (3:22 & 31).

Baptism Preparation Evening:

Please Note: on the assumption Covid restrictions are eased

Our next Preparation evening is Tuesday July 6th 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.

Child Safe Parish - Info & Updates:

Visit our website @ <https://wodongacatholicparish.com.au/information/wcp-child-safe-policy/>

Or contact Sonni @ the Parish Centre: Ph: 6024-3366 OR E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au

Towards Healing help line 1800 816 030 (free call)

Lifeline: A non-profit Organisation providing FREE 24-hour Crisis Support Phone: 13 11 14

Our Child Safety Officer Sonia La Motte-Schubert 60243366.

