

#### **WODONGA PARISH CENTRE**

283 Beechworth Road Wodonga Vic 3690: Phone: 02 6024 3366

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9:30 am - 3:00 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

#### **TANGAMBALANGA**

Our Lady Help of Christians 3rd Sunday @10:30 am

#### **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 Sunday @ 8:30am

#### WALWA: Christ The King 2nd & 4th Saturday @4:00pm

Sandy Creek St Michaels 5th Sunday @ 8:30am

Mitta St Joseph's Church 5th Sunday @ 11:00am

#### 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.

# Wodonga Catholic Parish

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.



# August 21st - 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

## \*<u>PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO USE THIS QR CODE:</u>



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 use the iPad provided or sign-in sheet in the foyer of the church. Thank you for your understanding, it is very much appreciated.



Words of Pope Francis ~ #PopeFrancis on Twitter ♥ #LetUsPray for Afghanistan, so that the clamour of weapons might cease and solutions can be found at the table of dialogue. Only then can the battered population of that country return to their own homes and live in peace. twitter

## Looking at the Readings:

The changing of water into wine at the wedding feast of Cana brought good cheer and widespread popularity. Jesus teaching on the Bread of Life, as we hear in the Gospel of the day brought confusion, anger and rejection by much of the crowd. It was difficult for many to move from the multiplication of the bread, to its symbolic meaning as Jesus, the bread of life and then to the sacramental understanding of Christ's body and blood as food and drink for eternal life.

We cannot listen to this passage coolly and unattached. We are really involved. We are aware of the controversies over the Eucharist in the past and also in our present time. We are also aware of the challenge to respond to the invitation to accept, believe and participate. Some Christians find it hard to believe, some have obstacles in participation and many have conflicts about commitment.

We are reminded of the words of Pope Francis that the Church is not a tollhouse but a field hospital. The Eucharist is not so much a reward for the just but a remedy for the sinner and the marginalised. And St Peter, who speaks up for himself and the others, declares his commitment: "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the message of eternal life."

## The Gospel of John

The Gospel of John is considered by many scripture scholars to have four major sections:

The Prologue (1.1–18), The Book of Signs (1.19–12.50), The Book of Glory (13.1–20.31), and The Epilogue (Ch. 21).

The Book of Signs contains seven miracles or manifestations of Jesus' salvific power accompanied with lengthy dialogue, they are:

- 1: Changing Water Into Wine (John 2:1-11)
- 2: Healing the Royal Official's Son (John 4:46-54)
- 3: Healing the Paralytic at the Pool (John 5:1-18)
- 4: Feeding over 5,000 with Fish and Loaves (John 6:1-14)
- 5: Walking on the Water (John 6:15-25)
- 6: Healing a Man Born Blind (John 9:1-41)
- 7: Raising Lazarus from the Dead (John 11:1-46)

## Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Patrick Goonan, Tim Fischer, Annalise Tinta, Patricia McComiskey, Jeannine Ford,

Steve Kusic, Margaret Hellier, George McKinley, Perc Ward.

Sick: Gabrielle Radcliffe, John Radcliffe, Salome Ramirez, Ric Glavocih, Mary Shaddock,

Ricky Ellul, Zak Oliver, parishioners who are ill, their families & Carers.

## Companioning:

Life is a pilgrimage...we all have our stories. Sr Eileen, accredited by our diocese, is available to listen and be with you as you reflect. A guiet confidential room is available at our Parish Centre.

Contact Sr Eileen Mobile: 0458 327 554



A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia: Church in Need Emergency Aid for Haiti. Aid to the Church in Need (ACN International) has expressed its solidarity in prayer with Haiti and

immediately approved an emergency aid package of half a million Euros (\$800,000 AUD) for the Haitian people. In response to this, ACN Australia has set up an emergency appeal to provide help for our brothers and sisters in Haiti who are going through a very hard time.

To donate visit www.aidtochurch.org/haiti



## Happy 100th Birthday **Gerald Tanner**



On August 24th Gerald Tanner celebrates his 100th Birthday.

Gerald was a parishioner who volunteered with the Parish Finance Team for 30 plus years.

Due to his advancing years he moved to Melbourne and is now a resident at St Catherine's Balwyn.

As a young man, Gerard played a few games for the Richmond Tigers travelling back and forth on the train each weekend training Friday night, playing Saturday and back on Sunday...

Gerald still has a keen interest in following football, cricket and golf on television.

He was employed on the railways and married Margaret Raie Murphy on the 12th of November 1949 at St Augustine's Church Wodonga, celebrated by Fr Joseph Awburn..

Raie and Gerald had five children, three girls and two boys.

A very valued member of our community.

Our warmest birthday wishes go out to Gerald, 100 years young!

## **IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE:**

Wodonga Cemetery Trust is currently seeking to make contact with the Rights Holders of the following plots in the **CATHOLIC SECTION** at Wodonga Cemetery.

Row L, plot #14 &15, Reserved in the name of Fr AWBURN. Row 0, plot # 19 Reserved in the name of WILCZEK. Row J, Plot # 51 & 52 Reserved in the name of H.G. & I.J. McGUINESS Row F, Plot # 45 Reserved in the name of J.N. Minogue.

If you have any queries or require more information please don't hesitate to Contact Michael McLinden Ph: 0419456222

## **BOOKING** FOR MASS IS **ESSENTIAL**

Due to government restrictions in regards to the Covid pandemic we are limited to 100 people at Masses.

**Booking for weekend Masses at Sacred Heart** Church Wodonga is essential - please go to Trybooking.com search in events \*Sacred Heart Church Wodonga\* select the Mass you wish to attend OR Phone the Parish Centre: Ph 60243366.

Please be fully aware... if you attend Mass and are not booked in - you risk a hefty personal fine, the Parish being fined and or our church being shutdown.

## WODONGA ROSTERS 29TH AUGUST 2021 AT ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH

<u>Sacred Heart Cleaning</u>: Volunteers <u>Sacred Heart Altar</u>: Dina & Bozidar Zmajla

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

Altar Servers **Altar Servers:** Altar Servers: Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer Lector 1: Lector 1: Jean Tabra Lector 1: Ha Ngo Barry Jackson Lector 2: Lector 2: Lector 2: Gerard Moore Michael Iverson Roseanne Jackson

### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AT ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH**

5:00 pm David, Helen & Denise 8:30 am Dave, John & Maureen 10:30 am Ampy, Nina & Diane

Children's Lituray

8.30 am Mass: NO Children's Liturgy the weekend's of 28/29 Aug -11/12 Sep

## **COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 22ND AUGUST**

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

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

MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 5TH SEPTEMBER DEDERANG ROSTERS: 5TH SEPTEMBER

LECTOR: TBA FIRST / SECOND READING: Alanna Kirley

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

COMMENTATOR: TBA POWERPOINT: Madison Coulston

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: TBA & Volunteer OFFERTORY: Fischer

Mowing: TBA CLEANING ROSTER: Diane Goonan

Gospel: John 6:60-69

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?

'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer.

The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life."

"But there are some of you who do not believe. For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him". He went on, "This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him."

After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.

Then Jesus said to the Twelve,

"'What about you, do you want to go away too?"

Simon Peter answered,

'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

## Readings this week:

Revelation 11:19, 12:1-6,10 1 Corinthians 15:20-26 Luke 1:39-56

## Readings next week:

Joshua 24:1-2,15-18 Ephesians 5:21-32 John 6:60-69 **Responsorial Psalm:** Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and

life: you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

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

## **Important Information for Parishioners**

# **Wodonga Catholic Parish is Live Stre**aming Mass Daily

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Follow our Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/wodongacatholicparish

## **Please Note:**

There will be no morning Masses on the 16th, 17th, 18th and 19th of August, as our Priests are attending an in-service.

## **Please Note:**

On the weekend of August 28th and 29th and the weekend of September 11th and 12th the 5:00pm, 8:30am, and 10:30 am Masses will be held at St Augustines Church, 55 High street, Wodonga - Bookings Essential.

\*This is to ensure we do not break covid restrictions in regards to numbers at the Confirmation/ Eucharist Masses, which will be held at Sacred Heart Church\*.

## **PARISHIONER'S TO BOOK:**

il you wish to attend Mass on the weekends of August 28/29 & September 11/12 at St Augustine's Church Wodonga, please use this QR CODE which will take you to trybooking where you can choose the Mass you wish to attend.



## 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

## Working with Children Check Expiry

Please check the expiry of your WWCC.

If you need to update this card, please go to https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/ When updating please state 'volunteer of Wodonga Catholic Parish, 285 Beechworth Rd, Wodonga, E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au ' Ph: 6024 3366

### 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 is Sonia La Motte-Schubert 60243366.

