

WODONGA PARISH CENTRE

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9:30 am - 3:00 pm Monday to Friday

PRESBYTERY

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PARISH PRIEST

Father Junjun Amaya 0459-356-917

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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 & Corryona.

August 29 - Social Justice Sunday

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO USE THIS QR CODE:



This QR code is to be used for contact tracing in regards to Covid 19. 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 ~ Let us Dream 2020

History is what was, not what we want it to have been, and when we try to throw an ideological blanket over it, we make it so much harder to see what in our present needs to change in order to move to a better future.

Social Justice Sunday:

Today, we celebrate Social Justice Sunday and the release of the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement, Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor, which invites us to join in responding to Pope Francis' invitation to take a seven-year journey towards total ecological sustainability guided by seven Laudato Si' Goals. The Statement provides theological foundations to ground and inspire our efforts to care for creation while responding to the needs of the disadvantaged and excluded. You can download the Statement & associated resources at www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

Looking at the Readings:

The first five books of the Bible called the Pentateuch or Torah (the Law) are most holy in the Hebrew tradition. Unlike other Near East cultures and religions that had their laws and traditions, the Law of God was to be taken to heart, not mere external observances but both internal and intentional. More importantly the Law established a unique relationship between the Lawgiver and the people. It establishes their identity and purpose. Our first reading from Deuteronomy emphasises the place of the Law in peoples' lives.

Scribes, Pharisees and elders of the community took on the responsibility to ensure the Laws are upheld. When they heard Jesus and his followers did not observe some of the laws, minor as they were, they came to question them. It was Jesus opportunity to take them back to the origins, purpose and intent of the Law. He addresses a perennial problem: over years and centuries, laws get distorted and sense of observance goes beyond the Lawgiver's purpose. We have many civil and ecclesiastical laws that get warped in time. Authorities are faced with updating them or they or the laws become irrelevant. We have in our lifetime experienced many changes in the laws: fasting, Holy Day observances, church and marriages practices. Pope Francis has ordered a new code of canon law to address issues of the day.

We are called back into right relationship with the Law, the Lawgiver and one another. The Psalmist calls the person to act justly and speak truly and walk humbly with our God.



LIVE Streaming Live streaming Mass daily @wodongacatholicparish facebook page

Recent Deaths: Phillip Porta

Anniversaries: Patricia McComisky, Marie Harangozo

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: Aid to the 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

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

Prayers to be Offered.

Would you 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 request-

Caritas News:

Parishioner's copies of the latest

Caritas News, The Emergencies Edition, Surviving and thriving beyond the crisis. If you would like to read / circulate the digital version please click on the following link: https://www.caritas.org.au/media/laxp45gd/ caritasnews winter-2021 eofy digital final.pdf?

utm_source=SF&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=Caritas+News+Winter+2021

<u>Please Note:</u>

* 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. f 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

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 <u>not booked in</u> you risk a hefty personal fine, the Parish being fined and or our church being shutdown.

WODONGA ROSTERS 5TH SEPTEMBER 2021

Sacred Heart Cleaning: Frank Hanrahan, Rosanna Jackson Sacred Heart Altar: Dt Larkin, Carmel Gannon

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

Altar Servers Altar Servers Altar Servers: Volunteer Volunteer Volunteer Lector 1: Lector 1: Lector 1: Ampy Clark David Gill Marg Pallot Lector 2: Lector 2: Lector 2: Marga Dendiego Marilynn Seiter Jim Costelloe

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 pm Joy, Pam & Michael 8:30 am Mike, Bernie & Anne 10:30 am Yves, Natalie & Jean

Children's Lituray:

8.30 am Mass: Greg Walsh & Volunteer

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 29THAUGUST

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

NEXT WEEK: **TEAM 9:** Peter & Pam Stewart, Lucette & Lloyd Brown

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: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the

tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.'

He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly.

All these things come from within and make a man unclean.'

Readings this week:

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Readings next week:

Isaiah 35:4-7 James 2:1-5 Mark 7:31-37 **Responsorial Psalm:** The just will live in the presence of the Lord

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u>: Alleluia, alleluia! The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruit of his creation Alleluia!

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.

Important Information for Parishioners

Wodonga Catholic Parish is Live Streaming Mass Daily

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A Message from Bishop Shane Social Justice Sunday 29 August 2022

"I urge everyone to read this year's Social Justice Statement, Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor.

www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au



It is an excellent document and I look forward, with the people of Sandhurst, to this Statement being a basis for our diocesan journey towards ecological conversion and action."

PRAYER: CRY OF THE EARTH, CRY OF THE POOR

By listening with an open heart to those who are most affected, we can begin, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to discern the signs of the times.

Lord, when we listen with your ears we hear:

the bush grown more silent, the birds song less vibrant, the stream's sluggish ripple. Have mercy and open our ears.

Lord, when we look with your eyes we see:
the soil depleted,
the sky smudged,

the oceans rubbished and the great currents slowed. Have mercy and help us to see.

Lord, when we look with your eyes we see:
the workers who struggle to get by,
the women subjected to violence,
the people who are excluded.
Have mercy and help us to see.

Lord, when we listen with your ears we hear:
the sound of hungry children,
the distress of the mentally ill,
the silent pain of homeless women and men.
Have mercy and open our ears.

Send your Spirit upon us Lord to renew our sight, to restore our hearing, and to reclaim your reign of justice for all people and peace for creation.

AMEN

<u>Child Safe Parish</u> -Info & Updates:

Visit our website @ https:// wodongacatholicpa rish.com.au/ information/wcpchild-safe-policy/

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

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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.

