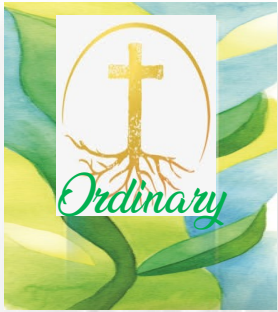


# Wodonga Catholic Parish

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.



## September 12th-2021 The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### WODONGA PARISH CENTRE

283 Beechworth Road  
Wodonga Vic 3690:  
Phone: 02 6024 3366  
E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au

### OFFICE HOURS

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.



**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 use the iPad provided or sign-in sheet in the foyer of the church.



### Season of Creation:

**Week 2: OIKOS** is the root word for 'ecology', the science of relationships of organisms (including us) to each other and their surroundings. The First reading speaks of Wisdom of God accessed both through study of nature, God's world, and of scripture, God's word. Psalm 19 outlines God's 'two books': nature (vs.1-6) and scripture (vs.7-11). How can we ensure we gain wisdom by studying both of these means of God's self-revelation? 2021 Celebration Guide A Home for All? Renewing the Oikos of God

### Looking at the Readings:

Proof of Identity is a significant element in 21<sup>st</sup> century living (and dying). Many times we need to produce 100 points to verify our identity and progress onto the next stage of the business at hand. The readings today present us with hidden identities and mysteries of faith. Who is the Suffering Servant in the Song of Isaiah? He is a servant of God, perhaps Isaiah himself or another prophet-many of them suffered. We now come to understand the Messianic nature of the four servant songs and recognise Christ. We do not ask for 100 points but to enter the mystery of Christ and nourish our relationship with him.

Christ Jesus confronts the apostles and asks the two questions, the second is: "Who do you say I am?" It is a deeper question than merely identity. Their faith in him is challenged. We are invited to enter the mystery of his identity, his destiny and our salvation. Peter reveals part of his identity and told to keep it secret and then Jesus reveals his destiny to suffer, die and rise. Peter finds it hard to accept this part of his identity.

We are invited to take up our cross. Tuesday the mystery of the Cross is celebrated with its own Feast: "The Exaltation of the Cross".

### Safe Guarding Sunday:

This weekend the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday in which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters.

We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and laypeople in Church settings.

We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: [www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday](http://www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday).

### Quote of the Week

The Word is living, being, spirit, all verdant greening, all creativity. This Word manifests itself in every creature. *Hildegard of Bingen*

**Recent Deaths:** Margaret Crothers, Yvonne Pocza

**Anniversaries:** Matilda Jackson, Edmond Jackson, Barry Willcox, Evan Richardson, Monica Maher

**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 quiet confidential room is available at our Parish Centre.

Contact Sr Eileen Mobile: 0458 327 554

### Feast of the Week

Of all the feasts this week one is of particular note: St Hildegard of Bingen, Friday 17 September. Her memorial was inserted into the calendar this year, but only after the 2021 calendars were printed. Hildegard (1098-1179) a Benedictine abbess, writer, composer, philosopher, mystic and visionary and founder of the scientific natural history was declared a doctor of the Church in 2012.

### Liturgical Jottings- The Senses - Sight

Christian Faith and Catholic Liturgy are very dependent on the use of signs and symbols.

We see symbols all around us especially in the liturgy and sacraments: the Altar, Lectern, Cross, font, candles, chair, icons, cloths, vestments, water, oil, bread and wine, statues, banners and many decorative works.

Signs and symbols speak in silence, with no words, but reveal meanings to the observer and participant.

Our eyes see the altar and evokes the meaning of a meal, a sacrifice, a gathering.

We see the candle: it calls to mind Christ as the light of the world, his resurrection, our baptism, prayer and memories.

**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](mailto: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.**

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Eucharistic Ministers' the roster for October to December is being prepared.

Please contact the Parish Centre if you will be unavailable during these times .

Phone: 0260243366 or E: [wodcath@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wodcath@bigpond.net.au).

### 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](mailto:wodcath@bigpond.net.au) ' Ph: 6024 3366

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM UPDATE:

Due to the uncertainty of the restrictions being lifted,

we have postponed the Celebrations of Confirmation &

First Eucharist until the end of October.

- Families who selected the 4th and 5th of Sep will celebrate the sacraments on 23rd & 24th Oct.

- Families who selected the 11th and 12th of Sep will celebrate the sacraments on the 30th and 31st Oct.

We will meet with M-Z families in the church on Tuesday, 19th Oct at 4pm and

Thursday 21st Oct at 6pm

A reminder will be sent to you early in October.

If you have any questions, please contact Dave and Marilynn via [cdmaseiter@gmail.com](mailto:cdmaseiter@gmail.com) or text/call 0447 121 955.





#### PARISH SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

Our Parish has policies and practices in place to safeguard children and vulnerable adults in our community. We have a zero tolerance of any abuse. We acknowledge the pain and suffering of all who have been hurt in body, mind and spirit by those who have betrayed the trust placed in them .

## Safe Guarding Prayer

Gracious God,  
you love and care for all of your children,  
especially the smallest and most  
vulnerable.

We entrust to you the lives of children  
and adults at risk  
who have been sexually abused,  
and whose trust and innocence have  
been destroyed.

Help us to hear their cries of pain  
and to take responsibility for those  
whose lives have been broken.

Help us to recognise the hurt felt by  
those wounded by abuse,  
and the failure to be heard.

We pray that with the help of your grace  
communities and families will find  
understanding and support,  
so that now and in the future  
their wounds may be healed  
and they may find lasting peace.

Let your grace and love fall gently now  
upon our children and adults at risk,  
giving them the inner strength, peace  
and resilience

to seek out assistance when required.

We ask this prayer through our Lord  
Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God  
forever and ever.

**Amen**

**Due to Restrictions  
All public Masses are suspended  
until further notice!**



**It's time to get social!**



**Find us on FaceBook -**

<https://www.facebook.com/wodongacatholicparish/>

Morning Mass live streamed on our Facebook page :

For more query ring myself Ph: 0459356917 or the Parish Centre:

Ph: 60243366 Fr Junjun Amaya