

May the feet of God walk with you,  
and God's hand hold you tight.  
May the eye of God rest on you,  
and God's ear hear your cry,  
may the smile of God be for you,  
and God's breath give you life.  
May the Child of God grow in you,  
and God's love bring you home.

# 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.

## October 3rd-2021 The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**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.

### 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.

### Pope Francis Tweets:



I appeal to all men and women to journey together towards an ever broader "we", to renew the human family, to build together a future of justice and peace, and to ensure that no one is left out.



### Season of Creation:

Catholics have a tradition of telling stories of the saints that inspire and entertain us. Stories about post-industrial saints tell of setting up schools and hospitals, newspapers and unions to care for factory workers and their families.

Recently we hear stories of ecological martyrs committed to caring for Earth as our common home. Sainthood stories coming from our own circles may surprise us. These stories are part of our spiritual journey, strengthening our commitment and broadening our vision. In 1990 John Paul II named Francis of Assisi as the patron saint of ecology. **Tomorrow, 4 October, is his feast day and the last day of the Season of Creation.** [www.columban.org.au](http://www.columban.org.au)

### Looking at the Readings:

The Book of Genesis addresses the major themes of Life: creation, place of humanity, births, marriages and death, good and evil, dignity of work, causes of human diversity and our relationship to God. Also written at a time of widespread polygamy, the accounts of the creation of man and woman clearly express the bonds and destiny of man and woman.

When the Pharisees asked Jesus about divorce, it was a trick question that allowed neither "No" nor "Yes" for they were divided themselves about the laws of Moses. So Jesus did not tackle their tight question but reminded them of the creation, equality, dignity and destiny of man and woman before God their creator. Let us find the meaning, purpose and future of marriage. History has demonstrated that difficult questions still remain and solutions require compassion, grace, freedom and faith.

### Letter to the Hebrews:

The role of parents as formators of faith of their children is evident in the second part of today's Gospel passage. Jesus as welcomer to all comers is shown in his concern for the little ones. It is a lesson for us all!

The Lectionary this Sunday begins a seven-week sequence of the letter to the Hebrews. Cycle C in Ordinary time has a four-week sequence then this book rarely appears again with a notable exception on Christmas morning. Author unknown, written about 80-90 AD to Greek reading Jewish Christians, the letter teaches about the nature of Christ, compares the old temple priesthood with the new Priesthood of Christ and the new Covenant. It is not easy to read but rewarding and encouraging.

### Recent Deaths:

Filiz Yurong Anggay (Fr Deans relative), Vern Braunack  
Patricia O'Shaughnessy (Pauline Malone's sister)

### Anniversaries:

Peter Garfirth, Trevor Baker, Lorraine Nilon, Mary Tobin, Kevin Hynes, Nicholas Gleeson.

### Sick:

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

### A Safe Parish Is a Shared Responsibility:

Our Parish safety officer is Sonia La Motte-Schubert Ph: 60243366

**Towards Healing help line 1800 816 030 (free call)**

**Lifeline is a non-profit Organisation FREE 24-hour Crisis Support**

**Phone: 13 11 14**

### Marion Festival Online: <https://www.bendigofatima.com/>

Due to covid 19 restrictions you are invited to join us online .  
We will be streaming the ceremonies for the festival live from Sacred  
Heart Cathedral on Sunday, 10th October. For more information,  
please email us at [info@bendigofatima.com](mailto:info@bendigofatima.com)

For the last 45 years, the Marian Festival has been celebrated every year in the Bendigo  
area as a special day of prayers and devotions in honour of Our Lady of Fatima. It has  
taken place at different Churches in the Bendigo area over the years, in the 1990's it was  
moved to Sacred Heart Cathedral and in 2001 it was made an official event of the  
Sandhurst diocese by Bishop Joseph Grech.

The festival is run by the Bendigo Apostolate of Our Lady of Fatima, which is the local  
branch of the worldwide movement. The work of the Apostolate is to promote devotion to  
the Blessed Virgin Mary and the messages she gave at Fatima, in 1917.

Our Lady appeared to three shepherd children and spoke to them. She exhorted us to  
pray and offer up sufferings for the salvation of poor sinners, and in reparation for offenses  
against her Immaculate Heart. She also warned of very difficult times to come for the world  
and the Church, but promised that in the end her Immaculate Heart would triumph.

To face these challenges, she asked us to entrust ourselves and the world to her,  
especially through praying the Rosary and the First Saturday Devotions.

### Liturgical Jottings: The Senses - Smell

Our Liturgies use the senses to help convey meaning and to involve the  
whole human person in the rituals that celebrate the works of God: his  
creation and our salvation. The sense of smell is engaged in at least  
three ways in our liturgy in the burning incense, anointing with chrism in  
baptism, confirmation and holy orders and by the presence of flowers  
to adorn the sanctuary and church. In the Rite of Consecration of  
Chrism the bishop mixes perfume in the olive oil and prays that God  
make fragrant those to be baptised and confirmed. Incense creates  
both smoke and aroma signifying our prayers rising up to God smelling  
sweet. Flowers add fragrance and beauty to our worship space.

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### Baptism Preparation Evening: Booking are Essential:

Preparation evenings are held on the first Tuesday of each month.

**Our next Preparation evening is on Tuesday October 5th at 6:00 pm.**

In Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga

Parents of children to be baptised are required to attend a Baptism  
Preparation Evening, as it is a pre-requisite in our Parish.

**Bookings are essential Contact: Sonni at The Parish Centre. Ph: 6024  
3366 OR E: [wodcath@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wodcath@bigpond.net.au).**

### 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***



### 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

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**

### 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.***



Parishioners and Friends please join Fr Junjun and Fr Dean  
for our Virtual Morning tea and catch-up – Friday at 11:00 am

We are having morning tea each Friday @11am via zoom.  
Would you like to catch up with people in our parish community?  
Are you unable to leave your home or just feeling a little alone or disconnected?



Each Friday our parish will host a zoom morning tea at 11:00 am, if you would like to join us please email Sonni at the Parish Centre: wodcath@bigpond.net.au.

*If you would like to join us but do not understand how to use zoom or are unsure of the process, please let myself or Fr Dean know your concerns as we will try to help you through the process.*

I look forward to seeing your faces. *Fr Junjun Amaya*

## Booking for Mass Essential

**Masks must be worn  
during Mass**

Due to Restrictions  
we are limited to 20 people attending Mass.  
Therefore bookings are essential.

Please call the Parish Centre to book. Ph: 60243366

**Unable to attend Mass?  
It's time to get social!**



Find us on FaceBook -

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



Morning Mass live streamed on our Facebook page :  
need more information? Please call myself on Ph: 0459356917  
or Sonni at the Parish Centre: Ph: 60243366 *Fr Junjun Amaya*