



# 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.



## February 13th - 2022 : 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Wodonga Parish Centre  
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Office Hours  
9:30 am - 3:00 pm  
Monday to Friday  
Parish Priest  
Father Junjun Amaya  
0459-356-917  
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 @ 11:00 am  
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:



*Human trafficking is violence! The violence suffered by every woman and girl is an open wound on the body of Christ, on the body of all humanity, a deep wound that affects every one of us too.*

*#PrayAgainstTrafficking*

### Looking at the Readings

Jeremiah, in his emblematic and prophetic way, proclaims God's curse and blessing: curse on the wicked and blessing on the faithful and fruitful. The four verses, two with the curse, two with the blessing are symmetrical and sounds like a saying from the Wisdom literature. It's sentiment is one that is often repeated in the prophets and the wisdom books, in prayer and psalms. Luke uses this customary literary device in his rendition of the Beatitudes in today's Gospel passage.

There are striking differences between Matthew's popular version and Luke's version. It is not difficult for the reader to compare and recognise the variations. But by the juxtaposition of Jeremiah's prophecy and Luke's "Sermon on the Plain" the lectionary highlights Luke's addition of the four opposing "Alas" expressions often called "maledictions" but they are not so much curses but warnings urging conversion. Each so-called malediction begin with good but worldly values: wealth, plenty, pleasure and honour. Jesus is introducing to his disciples that the way to God includes the cross and persecution.

This gospel does not call for suffering but reminds us that God is with us in the difficulties of life and Christ gives us an example of overcoming these difficulties with faith in the resurrection.

### Prayer for the Day

Lord, be my rock of safety, the stronghold that saves me. For the honour of your name, lead and guide me. *(Entrance Antiphon)*

### St Valentine's Day 14 February

This feast rejoices in romantic love and marriage. St Valentine was a priest in Rome at the time of Emperor Claudius II, who decreed that all weddings be suspended so as to encourage single men to serve in combat. St Valentine allegedly performed secret weddings in defiance of the Emperor. He was beheaded on 14 February 269. He is the patron saint of engaged couples, happy marriages, love and lovers. Jesus Christ invites us to join him in an everlasting covenant; an eternal love union that is reflected in the love of each and every dedicated married couple.  
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# WODONGA ROSTERS 20TH FEBRUARY 2022

**SACRED HEART CLEANING:** Volunteers

**SACRED HEART ALTAR:** Dot Larkin, Carmel Gannon

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

<b>Altar Servers:</b> Volunteer <b>Lector 1:</b> Michael McLinden <b>Lector 2:</b> Juliana Vaughan	<b>Altar Servers:</b> Volunteer <b>Lector 1:</b> Marg Pallot <b>Lector 2:</b> Ross Black	<b>Altar Servers:</b> Volunteer <b>Lector 1:</b> Caster Gonzadan <b>Lector 2:</b> Kendra Gonzadan
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## EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

<b>5:00 pm</b> David, Helen & Kevin	<b>8:30 am</b> John, Cecilia & Bernie	<b>10:30 am</b> Natalie, Jean & Jacinta
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**Children's Liturgy:** TBA

## COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 13TH FEBRUARY

**THIS WEEK: TEAM 2:** Val Mulqueeney, Zennon McCarty, Rob Saric

**NEXT WEEK: TEAM 3:** Bernard & Julie Jones, Gerard Peeters

### MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 20TH FEBRUARY

**LECTOR:** Rachel  
**Backup:** Mary-Anne,  
**COMMENTATOR:** Gail  
**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Peter

### DEDERANG ROSTERS: 6TH MARCH

**FIRST / SECOND READING:** Sharon Coulston  
**WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL:** Alanna Kirley  
**POWERPOINT:** Harrison Fischer

## Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of his disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:  
 'How happy are you who are poor; yours is the kingdom of God.  
 Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be satisfied.  
 Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven.

This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.  
 'But alas for you who are rich: you are having your consolation now.  
 Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go hungry.  
 Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and weep.

### Readings this week:

Jeremiah 17:5-8  
 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20  
 Luke 6:17,20-26

### Readings next week

1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23  
 1 Corinthians 15:45-49  
 Luke 6:27-38

**Responsorial Psalm:** Happy are they who hope in the Lord

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven Alleluia!

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

# What's happening in our Parish

**Recent Deaths:** Anna Zagrovic.

**Anniversaries:** Mary Kalc, Marcelina & Andre Afonso, Bernadette Ford.

**Sick:** Annette Young, Robert Anderson, Kevin Oates, Pat Horne, Marie Morgan, Antonia Amaya Cabalida, (Fr Junjun's sister), Salome Ramirez, Ricky Ellul, Zak Oliver, Ric Glavocih, Mary Shaddock, Kerstin Lancaster parishioners who are ill, their families & Carers.



## Altar Servers

Wodonga Catholic Parish invite all school aged children who have received the sacrament of Eucharist to come and learn more about being Altar Servers.

This is a wonderful opportunity to come to a fuller understanding of the Mass by participating more closely in service at the Altar. It is also an important ministry in the church that is especially fitting for our children.

An information session will be arranged once we know who is wanting to be involved.

If you would like to register your interest or require further information please contact Sonni at The Parish Centre (6024 3366) or Fr Dean 0401337433.

## Upcoming Dates

**1 March: Shrove Tuesday**

**2 March: Ash Wednesday**

**6 March: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

**13 March: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**20 March: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

**27 March: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**3 April: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT.**

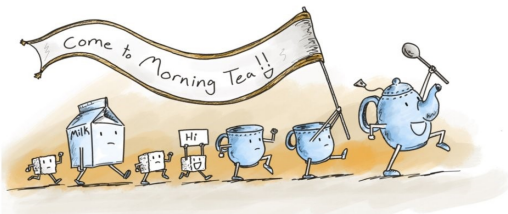
**10 April: PASSION SUNDAY (PALM SUNDAY)**

**11 April: Monday of Holy Week**

**12 April: Tuesday of Holy Week**

**13 April: Wednesday of Holy Week**

## Parish Morning Tea!



Please Join us for morning tea in the Parish centre each Tuesday after morning Mass.

This is a great opportunity to get to know your Priests and Parish Centre staff.

We hope to see 👁️👁️ you there

All are most Welcome!

## Parishioners please Note:

From February 19th 2022 until further notice Reconciliation will take place at St Augustine's on Saturday Mornings at 9:00 am, prior to 9:30 am Mass.

### Please also note:

There will be no Morning Mass on Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th, Thursday 17th and Friday 18th of Feb 2022.

## Liturgical Jottings: The Colour Green

The Prophet Jeremiah compares the trusting person with a tree planted by the flowing waters. "Come heat or drought its foliage remains **green**" (Jer 17:8). Again in the Responsorial Psalm we see this tree's leaves shall never fade. Green symbolises life, growth and hope (Today's response Ps 39:5). Green vestments are worn at the Masses in Ordinary Time (except feasts and funerals). Green plants, banners and candles may also decorate the sanctuary. Green is descriptive of good ecology, clean environment and sustainable energy. This year the green season started the day after the feast of the Baptism of the Lord and goes until Shrove Tuesday. After Lent and Easter it resumes on the Monday after Pentecost and goes through to the eve of Advent. © Diocese of Sandhurst 2022.

### On the Lighter Side

Sam came home with a bloody nose, black eye, and torn clothing. It was obvious he'd been in a fight. While his father was patching him up, he asked what happened. "Well, Dad I challenged Tom to a duel. And I gave him his choice of weapons." "Uh-huh," said the father, "that seems fair." "I know, but I never thought he'd choose his big sister!"

### Baptism Preparation Evening

Preparation evenings are held on the first Tuesday of every second month. **Our next Preparation evening is Tuesday March 1st at 6:00 pm.** Parents of children to be baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Evening, as it is a pre-requisite in our Parish. Godparents are also welcome. *For information or to register* **Contact: Sonni at The Parish Centre: 6024 3366 or E: [wodonga@sandhurst.catholic.org.au](mailto:wodonga@sandhurst.catholic.org.au)**

## 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*

### Volunteers

Do you volunteer in our parish, i.e. Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Musician? If so it is now a requirement that the parish has a record of your Covid 19 vaccination status.

Please email a copy to the Parish Centre. Please attention your email to

'The Parish Centre Manager'

Email: [wodcath@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wodcath@bigpond.net.au)

If you have any difficulty with this process, please don't hesitate to contact Sonni.

Ph: 6024 3366 Thank you for your cooperation.

### A Safe Parish Is a Shared Responsibility:

Our Parish Safety Officer is Sonia La Motte-Schubert Ph: 60243366

### Towards Healing helpline

Ph: 1800 816 030 (free call) Lifeline is a non-profit Organisation FREE 24-hour Crisis Support Ph: 13 11 14