

During the
*Season
of Lent*
contemplate
your heart and
look at our
world with
Hope.

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
& The Parishes of Tallangatta & Corryong.



March 27th - 2022: The 4th Sunday of Lent

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
Parish Priest
Father Junjun Amaya
0459-356-917
Priest
Father Uday Kumar Mameni ALCP/POSS.
0422 -814-178
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:
St Augustine's, Wodonga
Saturday 9:00am :Before Mass
Country Churches:
Before Mass.



Pope Francis Tweets: 8.8 M followers

Dear brothers and sisters, in the pain of this war we all pray together, asking the Lord for forgiveness and asking for #peace. #PrayTogether #Ukraine

Our prayer is included as an insert

Shaniella's Story: Solomon Islands



Shaniella from the Solomon Islands was determined to forge a path out of poverty, moving away to a rural vocational school. With your support, she was able to overcome the challenges of natural disasters, and gain the skills she needs to create a brighter future for herself. Shaniella grew up in a remote village in the Solomon Islands in a province which has limited educational and job opportunities – and one of the country's highest poverty rates.

After leaving school, she decided to move closer to the capital city, Honiara, to study hospitality and tourism.

However, her vocational training school was hit by a landslide and cyclone in quick succession, destroying its water supply system and the vegetable garden that it relies on for food. The landslide destroyed the school's main source of water, damaged school buildings and devastated the garden which the school relies on for food. With your kind support, Caritas Australia Solomon Islands (CASI) was able to help the school to install eight water tanks. This restored students' access to clean drinking water and the tanks also supply water to nearby schools, health centres and the wider community.

I was in school that time when the landslide occurred. I was devastated because I had no knowledge of what to do and where to get information. I saw students in the school panic, I could hear people's screaming, crying and shouting, as if the world is going to end.

~Shaniella

CASI also supported the school by providing it with improved planting materials, 200 chickens, and training in agricultural skills and poultry management, to help it to boost its food security.

To ensure that the school is better prepared to respond to future disasters, CASI ran Disaster Risk Reduction training workshops, raising awareness about evacuation procedures and how to respond during an emergency. It provided additional support when the COVID-19 pandemic hit, by helping the school to improve hygiene practices to prevent the spread of coronavirus.



**Envelopes and boxes can be collected from the church Foyer:
Or go to <https://www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion/donate/>**

WODONGA ROSTERS 3RD APRIL 2022

SACRED HEART CLEANING: Marg McEvoy, Brigita Hore

SACRED HEART ALTAR: Volunteers

MASS TIMES:	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:30 am
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Altar Servers: Volunteer Lector 1: Juliana Vaughan Lector 2: Meryl Brown	Altar Servers: Volunteer Lector 1: John Barrat Lector 2: Marg Pallot	Altar Servers: Volunteer Lector 1: Gerard Moore Lector 2: Christian Bashimbe
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 pm Michael, Kevin & Clive	8:30 am John, Eriss & Pat	10:30 am Yves, Peter & Natalie
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Children's Liturgy: TBA

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 20TH MARCH

THIS WEEK: TEAM 7:	Peter Murray, Michael McCormick
NEXT WEEK: TEAM 8:	Ross Black, Lorraine Gill, David & Helen Gill, Frank Watson

MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 3RD APRIL

LECTOR:	Gail
Backup:	Bruce
COMMENTATOR:	Peter
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	Roseanna

DEDERANG ROSTERS: 3RD APRIL

DEDERANG PARISHIONERS:
 Please Note, on Sunday April 3rd there will be no Mass at St Joseph's due to Fr Dean's Farewell. Please join us for this celebration at Sacred Heart Church Wodonga .



We invite ALL Parishioners from the rivers to the mountains...

Bethanga, Mt Beauty, Dederang, Tangambalanga, Tallangatta, Corryong,
 Walwa, Sandy Creek, Mitta Mitta & Wodonga to join us after 10:30 am Mass on Sunday April 3rd
 Sacred Heart Church Foyer, 283 Beechworth Rd, Wodonga. Morning tea provided.
 as we farewell Fr Dean and wish him many blessing on his way to Kerang.

If you would like to give a monetary gift for Fr Dean there will be baskets at the back of the church Next weekend Masses

Stations of the Cross:

Parishioners are invited to attend Stations of the Cross each Friday evening during Lent
 at 6:00 pm, in Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga
 All Welcome



Planned Giving :

Planned Giving reports and new sets of envelopes are available for collection in the Church Foyers

Priest in-service:

Please be aware there will be no morning Masses from Monday 28th to Thursday 31st of March. Due to an in-service our priests will be away.

Recent Deaths: Margaret (Margo) Fisher.

Anniversaries: Michael O'Brien, Jordan Neal, David & Rose Malone

Sick: Pat Oliver, Michael McCormick, Kerstin Lancaster, Kelly Franks
Robert Anderson, Kevin Oates, Zak Oliver, Rick Glavocih, Ricky Ellul,
Antonia Amaya Cabalida, (Fr Junjun's sister), Salome Ramirez,
Mary Shaddock, parishioners who are ill, their families & Carers.

What's Happening in our Parish

SEEKING-CEW PARISH REP

Catholic Education Wodonga Council PARISH Representatives

Catholic Education Wodonga works in partnership with parents, students, staff and the Wodonga Parish to support a strong learning and caring Catholic community.

The Catholic Education Wodonga Council (CEWC) provides strategic advice and support for each of our four schools: St Augustine's, St Monica's, St Francis and Catholic College Wodonga.

The council meet monthly and includes a Parent representative from each school, a Parish community representative, school Principals, our Parish Priest.

Wodonga Catholic Parish is currently looking for a new **Parish Representative** to join the council.

Please contact Fr Junjun Amaya for expressions of interest
Ph 0459356917

I would like to invite you to discover why The Bible is God's love letter to us.

Are you Interested in getting to know Jesus better? Join us on our journey through the

'Gospel of Mark'

Scripture sharing with a difference.
Friendly, relaxing and illuminating.
Commencing after Easter school holidays.

Gathering of interested parties on
Wednesday April 6th, at 10.30 AM.

At: **Wodonga Plant Farm, 5 Huon Creek Rd. Wodonga.**

To discuss time, place and dates for future meetings
Looking forward to sharing with you!

Gerri Boldrini. 6 Hewitt Court, Wodonga. PH: 0438 206 082.



Wodonga Catholic Parish Reconciliation Program 2022: Enrolments Now Open

Enrolments are now open for the Wodonga Catholic Parish Reconciliation Program, commencing in May.

An enrolment form can be found on our website, via email:

wcpsacramental@gmail.com

or via our CEW Schools.

Your enrolment form must be completed and returned to the Parish Centre

OR email:

wcpsacramental@gmail.com.

No later than Monday the 18th April.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY NEEDS YOU

Our parish Children's liturgy team is in need of support. Are you passionate about teaching the gospel to our children? Do you hold a current

Working with children's card?

This is not an arduous task

need more information before you commit?
Please contact the Parish Centre on 60243366

Gift Shop:

Volunteers are required to assist in our gift shop after each weekend Mass.

If you think you may be interested please call the Parish Centre for more information:

PH: 60243366

A Safe Parish Is a Shared Responsibility:

Our Parish Safety Officer 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

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3. 11-32

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man,' they said, 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about, "Your brother has come" replied the servant "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property - he and his women - you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; "he was lost and is found."

Readings this week:

Joshua 5:9-12

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Readings next week

Isaiah 43:16-21

Philippians 3:8-14

John 8:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ! I will rise and go to my Father and tell him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.