

# 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



## May 15th - 2022 - The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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  
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0422-814-178  
Pastoral Assistant  
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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 @ 10.30 am Mass

Mt Beauty  
St Joseph's  
1st & 3rd Sunday @ 8.30 am  
5th Sunday @ 8:30 am Liturgy of  
The Word and Communion

Tallangatta  
St Michael's Church  
2nd & 4th Sunday @ 11:00 am

Corryong:  
Sacred Heart Church  
2nd & 4th Sunday @ 8:30 am

Walwa: Christ The King  
2nd & 4th Saturday @ 4:00 pm

Sandy Creek St Michaels  
5th Sunday @ 8:30 am

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 9.30 am

Reconciliation:  
St Augustine's, Wodonga  
Saturday 9:00 am :Before Mass  
Country Churches:  
Before Mass.



### Pope Francis Quotes

*A person who thinks only about building walls, wherever they may be, and not building bridges is not Christian. This is not in the Gospel.*

### Looking at the Readings::

The Gospel today begins the "Farewell Discourse of Jesus." In sacred scripture we have other examples of farewell discourses: that of Moses in the Book of Deuteronomy prior to his death and of Paul in Acts 20:17-38 on his departure to Rome. Jesus' farewell is on the eve of his death, the forces of darkness are at play with Judas' act of betrayal, but also the beginning of the glorification of Jesus Christ, on the cross and in the Resurrection, is at work. The Farewell Discourse embraces five chapters; in this short passage we hear only four verses concluding with the new commandment. Though it is not a commandment new to God's people, rather its newness is in its effect: by living the commandment of love, you will witness his love and this witness will bring new disciples, new believers and new life.

From the darkness of hatred and slaughter that we see in war and terrorist attacks on mosques and churches in recent years; we also witness solidarity, forgiveness and renewed efforts for peace and unity.

### A Prayer for Elections

We give you thanks for Australia, the Great South Land of the Holy Spirit. In this Spirit we pray for our land and all its people as the nation elects a new Federal Parliament. We pray for the women and men who have offered themselves as candidates for public office. May those who are elected set their hearts always on honourable service and the common good. We pray for the citizens of this much-blessed country, that they vote with wisdom and freedom, and choose what is best for the whole community. Bless all who are elected to serve the nation; may the wisdom and courage of the Holy Spirit guide them to govern for the good of all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the full text of the prayer visit [www.catholicreligious.org.au/news/2019/5/15/a-prayer-for-the-federal-election](http://www.catholicreligious.org.au/news/2019/5/15/a-prayer-for-the-federal-election)

### Hearing Loop:



**Did you know? in order to receive the best sound from the hearing loop in our church, you should sit on the outer seats of the centre of the church and set your hearing Aid to the correct frequency?**

### Recent Deaths:

Lawrence (Lawrie) Crothers

### Anniversaries:

Paul Moate, Terry Gullifer, Norman Oliver, Maree Oliver, Noelene Oliver,  
Frank & Kath Kane

### Sick:

Pat Oliver, Zak Oliver, Ricky Ellul, Kelly Franks, Robert Anderson,  
Kevin Oates, Rick Glavocih, Kerstin Lancaster, Salome Ramirez, Mary Shaddock,  
parishioners who are ill, their families & Carers.

## Acts 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch.

They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith.

'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.'

In each of these churches they

appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they  
had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia.

Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for  
Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work  
they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done  
with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

## Gospel: John 13:31-35

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified,

and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him,

God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon.

My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment:

love one another;

just as I have loved you,

you also must love one another.

By this love you have for one another,

everyone will know that you are my disciples'.

### Readings this week:

Acts 14:21-27

Apocalypse 21:1-5

John 13:31-35

### Readings next week

Acts 15:1-2,22-29

Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23

John 14:23-29

### Responsorial Psalm:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

### Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.

## WODONGA ROSTERS 22ND MAY 2022

**SACRED HEART CLEANING:** Marg McEvoy, Brigita Hore

**SACRED HEART ALTAR:** Mary Harkness, Jennifer Flower

**MASS TIMES:** 5:00 pm

8:30 am

10:30 am

**Altar Servers:** Volunteer  
**Lector 1:** Meryl Brown  
**Lector 2:** David Gill

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**Lector 2:** Ross Black

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**Lector 2:** Ampy Clark

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

**5:00 pm** Louise, Michaela, Caitlyn

**8:30 am** John Cecilia & Bernie

**10:30 am** Nina, Diane & Yves

**Children's Liturgy:** 8:30 am & 10:30 am

### COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 15TH MAY

**THIS WEEK: TEAM 5:** Margo Keat, Gerry & Marion Fitzpatrick

**NEXT WEEK: TEAM 5:** Marg Whitehead, Des Lonergan, John Barrat

#### MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 29TH MAY

**LECTOR:** Jenny  
**Backup:** Peter  
**COMMENTATOR:** Peter  
**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Bruce

#### DEDERANG ROSTERS: 5TH JUNE

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

### Piety Stall

We thank Cecilia for her wonderful effort in managing the Piety Stall. She is unable to continue in management but is offering to be available after 8.30 am Mass. The Piety Stall will remain open and we ask any parishioner who may be available to assist after other Masses. Please contact the Parish Office for further information.

### Catholic Women's League:

The Catholic Women's League next meeting will be on Wednesday 6th July in the Parish Centre after 9.15 am Mass .

## Baptism Preparation Evening:

### **Please Note:**

**Our next Preparation evening is Tuesday June 7th at 6:00 pm in Sacred Heart Church.**

Parents of children to be baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Evening, as it is a pre-requisite in our Parish. Godparents and other family are also welcome. *For information or to register .*

**Contact: The Parish Centre:**

**PH: 6024 3366 OR E: [wodcath@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wodcath@bigpond.net.au).**

### 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**

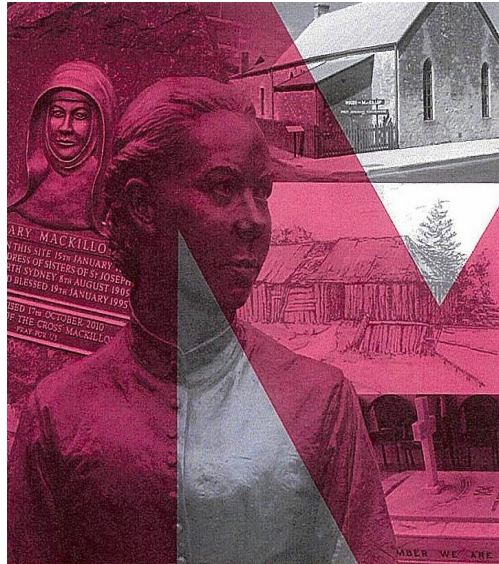
### RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation.)

This weekend Sova, Dinesh, Depa, Mark and Rhys will participate in the first of two scrutinies, prayers which are said to heal all that is weak and defective and sinful in our hearts and to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong and good.

We celebrate the scrutinies with the parish community so those who are seeking to become Catholic can be welcomed.

As with the entire RCIA process the parish community fulfils an important role. These prayers said are intended to bring growth and holiness not only to those who would become Catholic but also for the community they are joining. We ask you to join with us in praying for them as they journey towards the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at Pentecost.





## IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP

An Australian Pilgrimage lead by a  
Sister of Saint Joseph & the inaugural  
Director of the Mary MacKillop  
Heritage Centre Melbourne

18 October – 29 October 2022



### The Journey

- Starting in **Melbourne**, experience the early life of Mary and the MacKillop Family.
- Continue the story by coach to **Hamilton**, **Portland** and **Port McDonnell**.
- Spend two nights in **Penola** connecting with the Mary MacKillop and Fr Julian Tenison Woods' stories.
- Coach into South Australia and visit Our Lady Star of the Sea - a church built by Fr Julian Tenison Woods at **Robe**.
- Continue on to **Adelaide** where Mary professed her vows as a Sister of Saint Joseph and immerse ourselves in the unfolding story of the Congregation.
- Fly to **Sydney** and spend three nights at Mary MacKillop Place where Mary lived and died. Visit her burial site in the Memorial Chapel.
- Extra cost for those who wish to spend a couple of extra nights in Sydney before they return home.

A full itinerary is attached to the application form.



### Booking & Enquiries

For further information or to make  
an application, please contact the  
Australian Pilgrimage Co-Ordinator

#### Email

[national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au](mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au)

#### Telephone

02 8912 4818



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### Wodonga Catholic Parish Reconciliation Program 2022

Our candidates make their First Reconciliation during this week. Please keep them and their families in your prayers at this special time. They will be preparing for their Confirmation and First Eucharist to be celebrated 30th and 31st July.

## Just for giggles

George W. Bush, in an airport lobby,  
noticed a man in a long red robe,  
a long beard and holding a staff  
and two stone tablets.

George W. Bush. approached the man and  
inquired, "Aren't you Moses?"

The man ignored George W. Bush  
and stared at the ceiling.

He tugged at the man's sleeve  
and asked again,

"Aren't you Moses?"

The man finally re-  
sponded, "Yes I am."

George W. Bush asked  
him why he was so  
uppity,

Moses replied,

"The last time I spoke  
to a Bush

I had to spend forty



### OCD Awareness Week. 11-17 May, 2022.

Obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD) is a disorder in which people have recurring, unwanted thoughts, ideas or sensations (obsessions) that make them feel driven to do something repetitively (compulsions). 3% of people in Australia will experience OCD at any time in their lifetime. It's not just about being clean, organised or liking things done a certain way or in a certain order. OCD is a very real and debilitating disorder that no one truly understands unless they have the invisible condition. There is very little awareness of the hurt and impact that our thoughtless reactions or conversations can have on the lives of people with OCD. With the right therapy, life can become easier.

Mary Pianta.

Disability Contact Coordinator.