



# Wodonga Catholic Parish

INCORPORATING

SACRED HEART CHURCH, Beechworth Rd Wodonga, ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, High St Wodonga,  
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS, Tangambalanga, ST. JOSEPH'S Dederang,  
ST. JOSEPH'S Mt. Beauty & The Parishes of Tallangatta & Corryong.

## January 15th - 2023 - The 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Acknowledgement of Country

We, Wodonga Catholic Parish, acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land where our churches, schools and buildings are located. We pay our respect to the Aboriginal people and Elders past and present whose spirits dwell in this land. May the spirit of this ancient land be always with us.



### Pope Francis:

*"The paths of peace are paths of solidarity, for no one can be saved alone. We live in a world so interconnected that, in the end, the actions of each person affect everyone."*

### Looking at the Readings:

The Book of the Prophet Isaiah gives us four Songs of the Servant. The servant is generally accepted as a figure typifying Christ and that these four songs were written by a later author called "Second Isaiah". This Sunday we hear the second song. The servant is chosen by the Lord to restore Israel, to be a light of the nations and bring salvation to the ends of the earth. The servant is obedient, humble, courageous and suffers for the sake of his mission and will, in the end, be victorious. The servant, not only typifies the Christ-Messiah, but also other prophets, apostles, saints and any Christian, especially those who suffer for the faith.

The Gospel bridges the gap between Christ's birth / Epiphany and the beginning of his public ministry some thirty year's later. Today's Gospel passage also spans the gap of the missing feast of the Baptism of the Lord, normally the Sunday after the Epiphany but moved this year to last Monday. John's account is more of a meditation on the implications of the Baptism of Jesus rather than a report of the event. Jesus is the Lamb of God, reminiscent of the suffering servant of Isaiah and he has been anointed by the Spirit of God, reminiscent of the Messiah-King of Isaiah 11:1-2 which was read during Advent. This passage serves as a preface to the forthcoming mission of Christ read in the following weeks from the Gospel according to Matthew.

### Prayer of the Week:

Merciful God, you sent your Son, the spotless Lamb,  
to take upon himself the sin of the world.

Make our lives holy,  
that your Church may bear witness to your purpose  
of reconciling all things in Christ,  
who lives and reigns, forever and ever. Amen.

### What is Ordinary Season?

Ordinary Time is a time for growth and maturation, a time in which the mystery of Christ is called to penetrate ever more deeply into history until all things are finally caught up in Christ. The goal, toward which all of history is directed, is represented by the final Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

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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

2nd & 4th Sunday @ 10:30 am

##### Dederang

St Joseph's

1st & 3rd Sunday @ 10.30 am Mass

##### Mt Beauty

St Joseph's

Sunday @ 8.30 am

5th Sunday - No Mass

##### 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:

Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga

Saturday 9:00 am :

#### Country Churches:

Before Mass.

**Recent Deaths:** Cardinal George Pell  
(in Rome)

**Anniversaries:**

Veronica Thompson, Mary Casey, Dot Dunstan,  
Mary Murray, Gerald Tanner, Mary & Julia Ronan.

**Sick:**

Michael McCormick, John Hodson, Ricky Ellul,  
Robert Anderson, Kerstin Lancaster,  
Salome Ramirez, Mary Shaddock, parishioners  
who are ill, their families & Carers

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**The Parish Centre will be open Mondays,  
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30 am  
to Midday during the month of January.**

**Reconciliation**

**During the month of January, Reconciliation  
on Saturdays, will be at St Augustine's Church  
at 9.00 am prior to Mass at 9.30 am.**

**Finance and Administration Officer:**

An exceptional opportunity exists to become  
an integral member of the Diocesan Finance  
Team.

For more information, a copy of the position  
description and how to apply go to the  
Employment Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst  
website

[https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/  
positions-vacant/finance-administration-  
officer-2023](https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/positions-vacant/finance-administration-officer-2023)

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE: 5:00 p.m. - 23rd January  
2023.**

**Readings this week:**

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6  
1 Cor 1:1-3  
John 1:29-34

**Reading next week:**

Isaiah 8:23-9:31  
1 Cor 1:10-13,17  
Matthew 4:12-23

**Responsorial Psalm:** Here I am Lord; I come to do your will

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! The Word of God  
became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who  
accepted him to become the children of God. Alleluia!

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

**Rosters: Wodonga - 21st & 22nd January**

**Sacred Heart Cleaning:** Marg & Brigita

**Sacred Heart Altar :** Dot & Carmel

**Lector 1**

5.00pm Christine Stewart

8.30am Jim Costelloe

10.30am Caster Gonzadan

**Lector 2**

Na Ngo

Marg Ware

Kendra Gonzadan

**COUNTERS: THIS WEEK TEAM 1:**

John Dwyer, Mick Bone, Greg & Maureen Baker,  
John Foley.

**NEXT WEEK: - TEAM 2:**

Val Mulqueeney, Rob Saric, Zennon McCarty.

**Mt Beauty: 29th January**

**Lector:** Fran

**Back up:** Roseanna

**Commentator:** Bruce

**Dederang: 5th February**

**First Reading/Second Reading:** TBA

**Welcome/Psalm/Prayer of Faithful:** TBA

**PowerPoint:** TBA