



# 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 19th - 2023 : 7th 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.

## Wodonga Catholic Parish 2023 Renewal Program

This weekend is the **LAUNCH** of our Program - we would love you to be involved! The Program is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on what it means to be a member of our parish communities. Over the next three weeks we will consider themes central to parish life. You will hear from speakers, receive weekly updates via email or SMS, with materials uploaded to the parish website.

Don't forget to collect a copy of the Program brochure before you leave Mass today. *Fr Junjun*

### THOUGHTS FROM OUR RENEWAL PROGRAM TEAM

#### Why is celebrating our faith as a parish community important to you?

"My Christian faith is both individual and communal. Gathering as a community to celebrate our beliefs is a vital part of my Christianity."

"I am a committed community member and believe that as a good Christian it is important to celebrate together."

"As a priest, I am ordained not for myself, but for the people of God, most especially in my parish. My faith is certainly being nourished through my parish community."

"Worshiping and being together allows me to experience the reality of heaven in our lives and our current situations."

### POPE FRANCIS SAYS...

"The Church must be a place of mercy, freely given, where everyone can feel welcomed, loved, forgiven and encouraged to live the good life of the Gospel." ***Evangelii Gaudium 114***



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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 Uday Kumar Marneni ALCP/OSS.

0422-814-178

Father Adi Indra

6024-3366

Pastoral Associate

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

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.

## WODONGA ROSTERS 25TH & 26TH FEBRUARY 2023

**SACRED HEART CLEANING:** Volunteers

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

<b>MASS TIMES:</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
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<b>Altar Servers:</b> Volunteer <b>Lector 1:</b> Juliana Vaughan <b>Lector 2:</b> Christine Stewart	<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> Christian Bashimbe <b>Lector 2:</b> Gerard Moore
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### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

<b>5:00 pm</b> Clive, David & Helen	<b>8:30 am</b> Michael, Anne K & Maureen	<b>10:30 am</b> Ampy, Nina & Diane
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**Children's Liturgy:**

8.30 am & 10.30 am

### COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 12TH FEBRUARY

**THIS WEEK: TEAM 6:** Marg Whitehead, John Barrat, Des Lonergan

**NEXT WEEK: TEAM 7:** Peter Murray, Matt Ley

#### MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 5TH MARCH

**LECTOR:** Deb

**Backup:** Rachel

**COMMENTATOR:** Mary-Anne

#### DEDERANG ROSTERS: 5TH MARCH

**FIRST / SECOND READING:** Judy Brewer

**WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL:** Sharon Coulston

**POWERPOINT:** Harrison Fischer

## Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

Jesus said to his disciples:

'You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth.

But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.

'You have learnt how it was said:

You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy.

But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike.

For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit? Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not? And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional?

Even the pagans do as much, do they not?

You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

#### Readings this week:

Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18  
 1 Corinthians 3:16-23  
 Matthew 5:38-48

#### Readings next week

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7  
 Romans 5:12-19  
 Matthew 4:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is kind and merciful.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Whoever keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of God. Alleluia!

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.

# What's happening in our Parish

## Recent Deaths:

Judy Kindermann (Aunty to Ross Black), Lawrence Roberts (Tallangatta)

## Anniversaries:

Kevin Worrall (Kath Duggan's brother) Amedeo Saltalamacchia,  
Joan Reeves (Corryong), Neil McDermott,

## Sick:

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

## Would you like to serve your community as a Eucharistic Minister?

Fr Junjun is running a Training session for  
Parishioners who are interested in serving in this  
valuable ministry.

**March 1st : 5pm - 6pm -**

**Sacred Heart Church Wodonga.**

For information please contact the  
Parish Centre **PH: 02603366**

## Welcome St Augustine's Primary School :

**Tuesday February 28th**

**Morning Mass will be celebrated at 10am**

as we will be joined by staff and students of  
St Augustine's Primary School, who are  
celebrating the School's Welcoming Mass.

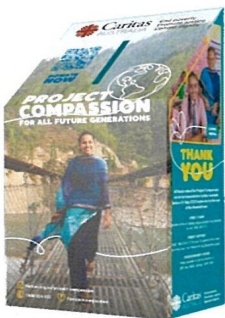
## **SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> February is PROJECT COMPASSION SUNDAY**

when Project Compassion boxes and envelopes are distributed in Catholic parishes across Australia. Last year was filled with emergencies and crises that many of us could have never imagined happening in our lifetime. For many vulnerable communities across the world, 2022 proved to be even more challenging and devastating than 2020 and 2021. Yet, despite everything we have endured in recent times, we know that, as one human family, we can continue to work to make the world a more just and better place for all. Each year, Project Compassion comes as a timely reminder of the importance of solidarity and how a single act of kindness – whether big or small, can make a life-changing impact in the lives of those who need it most.

The **THEME** of Project Compassion is '**FOR ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS**'. This phrase is a powerful affirmation that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. It is also a call for all of us to play our part in making the world a better place by working together as sisters and brothers in finding long-term solutions to global issues.



## **Project Compassion Sunday 18 & 19 February**



Please take home a Project Compassion box or set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations.**

With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction. Project Compassion 2023 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come.

As St Pope John Paul II said, **"The future starts today, not tomorrow."**

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling 1800 024 413.





# Sandhurst Youth Ministry is going to World Youth Day (WYD)



Sandhurst Youth Ministry is going to World Youth Day (WYD) in Lisbon and we couldn't be more excited. Expressions of interest are invited from young adults aged 18-35 to join the pilgrimage from 29 July to 11 August 2023.

The pilgrimage group will experience the World Youth Day celebrations, including festival events, gatherings with young Catholics from around the world and the Final Mass with Pope Francis. After World Youth Day, we will enter a retreat in Avila, Spain, where pilgrims will have a chance to reflect on their experience.

The Diocese of Sandhurst and Catholic Education Sandhurst Ltd are both offering significant sponsorships to pilgrims who attend WYD. For parish-based pilgrims, the Diocese is offering half of the pilgrimage cost. Catholic Education Sandhurst will operate under their usual funding model where CES Ltd pays a third, the employing school pays a third and the pilgrim

pays the remaining third. These sponsorships do not cover additional costs such as travel insurance or other personal expenses. More information is available at <https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/item/2360-world-youth-day-pilgrimage-to-lisbon>

Expressions of Interest close on Friday 10 March, 2023.

For further information and the Expression of Interest form, please go to [Sandhurst WYD website](https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au) Or contact the pilgrimage coordinator, Ruth Lawlor [ruth.lawlor@sandhurst.catholic.org.au](mailto:ruth.lawlor@sandhurst.catholic.org.au) with any questions.

## You are Invited to join us:

**St Stephen's Uniting Church Wodonga**  
**Emmanuel Anglican Uniting Church West Wodonga**  
**St John's Anglican Church Wodonga**

Lenten Discussion Options for 2023

**Advising the contact person of your intention to participate would help planning**

### **1. The Call to Discipleship**

This series, focusing on "exploring what it means to follow Jesus", will be based on material derived from these 6 Lenten discussion guides by Christopher C. Walker

**Wednesdays 9:30am at St Stephen's Fellowship Room Nilmar Av Wodonga**

- 22 Feb – Jesus' message summarised
- 1 Mar – What discipleship involves
- 8 Mar – Jesus cleansing the temple
- 15 Mar – God so loved the world
- 22 Mar – The hour has come
- 29 Mar – Into Jerusalem on a donkey

**Facilitator – Judy Bedford 0432 591 851 for further information.**



**WEDNESDAY**



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ASH WEDNESDAY

**Ash Wednesday-22nd of February 2023**

**Parish Mass Times:**

*Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga: 9:15am & 6:00pm*

*St Michael's Church - Tallangatta: 9:30am*

*Sacred Heart Church - Conyong: 12:00pm Noon*

**Liturgies**

*St Augustine's Primary School: 9:30 am*

*St Monica's Primary School: 12:00 Noon*