



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 & Parishes of ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH Tallangatta, SACRED HEART CHURCH Corryong.



October 8th - 2023 : 27th 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 on CARE for our EARTH:



In his encyclical Laudato Si', Pope Francis reminds us that everything is connected. Our relationship with nature is not separate from our relationship with God and others.

This concept of integral ecology encourages us to care for the Earth and each other. It calls us to action. "A true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor". ~ Pope Francis, Laudato Si' n49

The Australian Catholic Bishops encourage each Catholic parish, diocese, eparchy, educational institution and organisation to join the Laudato Si' Action Platform by 2024 and develop a Laudato Si' Action Plan. Wodonga Catholic Parish has joined this action platform, however, we need a small team of volunteers to head up this valuable ministry.

Here is an Inspiring idea: In an effort to reduce the amount of olives going to waste in their parish and parishioners' gardens, Echuca Parish has worked with Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning students to pick olives and take them to Apulia Grove Olives at Tooleen for pressing. The Echuca Parish Care for Creation Team refill olive oil bottles saved by parishioners who then pay for their oil, which covers the cost of pressing. More info at <https://www.caritas.org.au/catholic-earthcare/>

Looking at the Readings:

Two parables about vineyards in the readings today both end in disaster. From the prophet Isaiah, the property is fitted out, the vineyard is properly planted and tended but produces sour and bad grapes and then destroyed. Jesus' parable tells of a similar building, planting and tending, but this time the harvest is good but the owner is robbed of its produce and his son is killed by the workers he trusted. Australian wine makers reflect another twist to this fragile industry when their great produce faces uncertain markets.

In the first parable, the vineyard is the image of God's people, or as expressed in the Responsorial Psalm: "The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel." In the second parable the owner's son is an image of Jesus, the workers who rejected the son are the ones Jesus addressed the parable to: "the chief priests and the elders of the people."

Today, "the Church receives the parable as an admonition addressed to itself. It cannot fail to do so because Matthew has too consistently insisted on the necessity of bearing fruit. The Church will be faithful to its mission and election only if it welcomes the prophets whom God does not cease to send it, only if it practices the gospel of his Son, only if it remains faithful through everything. The vineyard song still resounds in today's Church: Master of the vineyard, do not reject the work of your hands." (Year of the Lord Vol.4 p.213)

Feast of the Week-Saint John Henry Newman Oct 9th.

As an Anglican clergyman for over 20 years he was renowned as a preacher, theologian and one of the leaders of the Oxford Movement. On 9th of October 1845 he was received into the Catholic Church and ordained priest on 30 May 1847. He was an influential writer on many subjects: The development of Christian doctrine, the true understanding of conscience, faith and reason, the role of the laity, and university education and author of several hymns. John Henry Newman died in 1890 and canonised in 2019.

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Office Hours

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Monday to Friday

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6024-3366

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Sonia La Motte-Schubert :

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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.



What's happening in our Parish



Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:

Patricia Maureen Alice Roy, Michael Garoni, Mirella Magarotto, Pauline Woods, Veronica McDougall, Mary Osborne, Anna & Anton Kalcic, Rudolf Kalc, May Cromptvoets.

Sick:

Genevieve Govers, Ricky Ellul, John Hodson, Eloise Hill Leigh-Anne McKinley, Robert Anderson, Salome Ramirez, Kerstin Lancaster, Mary Shaddock, parishioners who are ill, their families & carers.

Prayers to be Offered.

Would you like your loved ones recent death, anniversary or ill health acknowledged in our bulletin for prayers to be offered? Please email Sonni E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au. OR Ph: 0260243366.

Please Note:

Due to privacy laws we are unable to place names in the bulletin unless requested by the person themselves i.e. "Prayers for the Sick" or a relative of a deceased person i.e. "Prayers for the Recently Deceased"



The WCP Sacramental Program:

The Wodonga Catholic Parish Sacramental Program has begun, please pray for our Sacramental candidates and their families as they continue their faith journey towards the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist:

CWL Catholic Women's league:

The CWL Meeting will be held in the Wodonga Catholic Parish Centre meeting room on Wednesday the 11th of October after the 9:15am Mass.
Contact Marg Bates Ph: 0427 273 272

All Welcome

A Big Thank You:

A Big thank you to **Craig Rochow Tree Lopping Service Baranduda**, for donating and delivering mulch for our Nandinas around Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga and to Ross Black who dedicates his time to caring for the grounds of our church and did the spreading of the mulch after delivery.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter:

A ministry in the Catholic Church offering couples a weekend of discovery for their marriage. Enhance communication and rekindle the passion in your marriage! For details and application, visit: wwme.org.au

What's on the Calendar:

World Mission Sunday: OCT 22nd

Celebrated across Australia and the world on the weekend of 21st / 22nd October.

Sacred Heart School, Corryong: OCT 24th

60th Birthday Celebration: Mass @ 10am
Tuesday 24th of October:

All Saints Day Masses: NOV 1st

Wodonga Catholic Parish
Welcomes Catholic College, Davinci Community for the 9:15am Mass.
All Saints Day Mass will also be celebrated @ 6:00pm

All Souls Day Masses: NOV 2nd

Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga.
Mass @ 9:15am - Mass @ 6:00pm.

A Safe Parish Is a Shared Responsibility:

Towards Healing helpline Free Call Ph: 1800 816 030. Lifeline is a non-profit Organisation FREE 24-hour Crisis Support Ph: 13 11 14. If you have any concerns please phone 60243366 or E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au. Or refer to or Reporting Process poster displayed in our church.



Do you volunteer for our Parish? Is your information up to date?

Do you require support in applying for your Working with Children Card or National Police Check?
Contact The Parish Centre Ph: **60243366**

Wodonga Rosters 14th & 15th October

SACRED HEART CLEANING:

Volunteers

SACRED HEART ALTAR:

Volunteers

MASS TIMES:

5:00 pm

8:30 am

10:30 am

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Lector 1: Kerrie Kerr

Lector 2: Juliana Vaughan

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Lector 1: Des Lonergan

Lector 2: Maureen Lonergan

Altar Servers: Volunteers

Lector 1: Jean Tabra

Lector 2: Don Cameron

Eucharistic Ministers 14th & 15th October

5:00 pm: Jenny, Michael M & Mick B

8:30 am: John A, John B & Anne K

10:30 am: Jenny, Jacinta & Gerri

Children's Liturgy:

8.30am

Counters This Weekend

THIS WEEK: TEAM: 9

Peter & Pam Stewart, Lucette & Lloyd Brown

NEXT WEEK: TEAM 10:

John Dunstan, Frank Hanrahan, Gloria Humpage, Mavis Hyndman

MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 15TH OCTOBER

LECTOR: Gail

Backup: Bruce

Commentator: Mary-Anne

DEDERANG ROSTERS: 15TH OCTOBER

FIRST / SECOND READING: Alanna Kirley

WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL: Sharon Coulston

POWERPOINT: Diane Goonan

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people:

'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way.

Finally he sent his son to them.

"They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other,

"This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance."

So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.'

Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone.

This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see?

Readings this week:

Isaiah 5:1-7

Philippians 4:6-9

Matthew 21:33-43

Readings next week:

Isaiah 25:6-10

Philippians 4:12-14,19-20

Matthew 22:1-14

Responsorial Psalm:

The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia.

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.



Clergy Appointments

On the recommendation of the College of Consultors, I am very pleased to announce the following clergy appointments:

Kennington

Parish Priest: Fr Jake Mudge, from 20 January 2024

It is planned to make a further appointment to Kennington in due course, to support Fr Jake in continuing his appointment as a lecturer for 2 days/week at Catholic Theological College, East Melbourne.

Rushworth

Supervising Priest: A new appointment will be made to this position before Fr Andrew Fewings concludes his appointment as Parish Priest of Kennington.

Rutherglen and Chiltern

Parish Priest: Fr Peter Taylor, from 4 November 2023

Shepparton South and Nagambie (previously announced)

Parish Priest: Fr Rene Ramirez RCJ, from 4 November 2023

Assistant Priest: Fr Ruel Desamparado RCJ

Tatura and Kyabram

Parish Priest: Fr Uday Marneni ALCP/OSS, from 13 January 2024

Wodonga, Tallangatta and Corryong

Fr Andrew Fewings will lead the establishment of a Ministry Team in these parishes towards mid-2024, after undertaking a sabbatical in the first months of the year.

Team Moderator, and Pastoral Leader of Wodonga: Fr Andrew Fewings

Pastoral Leader of Tallangatta and Corryong: Fr John Paul Pasala, from 13 January 2024

Team member: Fr Adi Indra

From 27 December 2023, until Fr Andrew's return from sabbatical, Fr Adi Indra will be Administrator of the parishes

Yarrawonga and Cobram

Parish Priest: Fr Junjun Amaya, from 27 December 2023

I am grateful to all those who have generously offered themselves for these appointments, and ask that you hold them in prayer, along with these various communities, as they prepare for these significant transitions.

Yours sincerely,

+Shane Mackinlay

Most Rev. Shane Mackinlay

Bishop of Sandhurst