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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 Sundays @ 8.30 am 5th Sunday - Liturgy of the Word

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

St Augustine's Church Saturday 9.30 am **Reconciliation:** Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga Saturday 9:00 am **Country Churches:** Before Mass.

Wodonga Catholic Parish



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



January 28th - 2024 - The 4th 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:

Three Attitudes on Discipleship 2

The second attitude which disciples are called to adopt is renewal, The Church doesn't renew herself on "her own whim," but firm in the faith and following the hope of the Gospel. This requires sacrifice and courage, "not so that we can consider ourselves superior or flawless, but rather to respond better to the Lord's call" ~ (Medellin 9/7/2016)

Looking at the Readings:

Twice we hear in the gospel today that Jesus taught them with authority. First it was said after he was teaching his disciples in the synagogue and secondly after he healed the man possessed by an unclean spirit. Perhaps two issues prompted those claims. He resembled Moses in many ways and from the first reading today we hear that Moses prophesied that a great prophet would emerge among them. Secondly the fact that his word and actions were in harmony. A better word we may use is that Jesus taught with "Authenticity". The other teachers did not have the compassion that Jesus showed; they were not up to the mark in practising what they were preaching, their word did not ring true in their ears. The crowd and the disciples listened to Jesus' words and were moved by them. More came to believe in him and to follow him. Their hearts were stirred, their faith inspired, their hopes were beginning to be realised. They found his words were wonderful to hear and witness.

As we delve more into Mark's Gospel we see the challenges of being a disciple of Jesus, we cannot just look on from the sidelines. We have to make choices and make commitments. We, today, just as the listeners in the synagogue were at the time, are drawn into the controversies of religion and then invited to accompany Jesus wherever he may go. We meet Jesus in the liturgy, in service to others, in personal prayer and in the Love of God.

Word of God Sunday — 4 February:

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February. Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to and dissemination" study of the Word Let us embrace Sunday of the Word of God to help us launch our new year with a deeper and richer encounter with the Risen Lord.

www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodsunday to access resources help commemorate the day.

Recent Deaths: Bernard (Bernie) Allan

<u>Anniversaries</u>: Kevin Barry, John Wortmann, Agata Levanic, Catherine Browne.

Those Who Are Unwell:

Sr Eileen Reardon, John Saric, Genevieve Govers, John Hodson, Mary Shaddock Ricky Ellul, Eloise Hill, Salome Ramirez, Kerstin Lancaster, Robert Anderson, Leigh-Anne McKinley, 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.

Liturgical Jottings: Liturgy and Christian Life 3

Life and the Kingdom of God

The seven sacraments are related to critical needs and moments in Christian living and dying. The word of scripture carries its saving power and significance as part of every complete liturgy. In seeking an integrating vision for the celebration of liturgy and the challenges and achievements of life, Christians are bound to look to the Kingdom of God preached and inaugurated by Jesus. God's Kingdom remains the most comprehensive and fertile symbol for the new pattern of worship and living established by God for humanity through Jesus Christ.

This Kingdom in its "already" stage is to be discerned and celebrated. In its "not-yet" stage it is to be prayed for, striven for and received. Christians celebrate their past, present and future in the liturgy and find fulfilment in the power and love of God. NDCW.

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Rosters: Wodonga - 3rd & 4th February

Sacred Heart Cleaning: Volunteers

Sacred Heart Altar: Mary & Jenny

<u>Lector 1</u> <u>Lector 2</u>

5.00pm Fiona Barret Kerrie Kerr

8.30am Des Lonergan Maureen Lonergan 10.30am Caster Gonzadan Kendra Gonzadan

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

5.00 pm: Louise, Michaela & Caitlyn8.30 am: John B, Marg B & Erris10.30 am: Ampy, Bronwyn & Nina

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK TEAM 5:

Margo Keat, Marion & Gerry Fitzpatrick

NEXT WEEK: - TEAM:

Marg Whitehead, John Barrat

Mt Beauty: 4th February

Lector: TBA

Back up: TBA

Commentator: TBA

Dederang: 4th February

First Reading/Second Reading: Harrison

Welcome/Psalm/Prayer of Faithful: Sharon

PowerPoint: Diane

Readings this week:

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 Mark 1:21-28

Readings next week:

Job 7:1-4,6-7

1 Cor 9: 16-19,22-23

Mark 1:29-39

Responsorial Psalm: If today, you hear his voice,

harden not your hearts.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! A people in darkness

have seen a great light: a radiant dawn

shines on those lost in death. Alleluia!

<u>Prayers of the Faithful:</u> Lord, hear our prayer.