

Wodonga Catholic Parish

Incorporating:

Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Beechworth Rd Wodonga, St. Augustine's Catholic Church, High St Wodonga, Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, Tangambalanga, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Dederang, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Mt. Beauty and the Parishes of Tallangatta and Corryong.

March 24th-2024: Palm Sunday-Yr B

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 Palm Sunday:



Jesus, in his abandonment, asks us to open our eyes and hearts to all who find themselves abandoned. For us, as disciples of the "forsaken"

Lord, no man, woman or child can be

regarded as an outcast, no one left to himself or herself.

Let us remember that the rejected and the excluded are living icons of Christ:

they remind us of his reckless love, his forsakenness that delivers us from every form of loneliness and isolation. ~ St Peter's Square-Sunday, 2 April 2023

Looking at the Readings:

In Cycle B of the lectionary Reading for Sundays we read from St Mark. Today we have an option for the Gospel for the Commemoration of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem, the first is from Mark's gospel and the alternative is according to John. This account quotes the Prophet Zechariah 9:9. Matthew is the only other evangelist to do so. The Lord is riding upon a donkey, the animal which Old Testament kings ride in Jerusalem and in the time of peace. Zechariah also associates the donkey as a creature of the poor and humble whom Christ is close to in his ministry.

John's account is the only one that specifies palms branches. Matthew simply describes them as branches, Mark as leafy branches and Luke does not include any.

The readings for the Mass are more associated with the Passion: Isaiah Suffering Servant song, the Psalm which Jesus quotes when dying on the cross (Ps21:2) and Hymn from St Paul's letter to the Philippians centring on Christ's humanity, humility, passion, death on the cross, and his glorification. Mark's Passion is read.

Prayer over the People - From Palm Sunday Mass

Look, we pray, O Lord, on this your family,
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ
did not hesitate to be delivered into the hands
of the wicked and submit to the agony of the Cross.

Save the Dates! Upcoming WCP Events & Activities:

This Sunday 4-6pm YOUTH SWAG EVENT all students in years 4-7 Welcome. SHC Wod
Parishioners Please Note:

**Tuesday 26th of March there will be no Morning Mass
due to the Chrism Mass-Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bendigo-Ilam-
All Parishioners Invited to Attend.**



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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 Mass
Dederang
St. Joseph's
1st Sunday @ 10.30 am Mass

Mt Beauty
St. Joseph's
1st & 3rd Sunday @ 8.30 am
5th Sunday - Liturgy of the Word with
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:
Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga
Saturday 9:00 am :
Country Churches:
Before Mass.

Parish News

Recent Deaths:

Malcolm McKenzie-McHarg, Graham Granville Heanes.

Anniversaries:

Thomas Hannebery, Linley Horrocks, Margaret (Margo) Fisher, Michael O'Brien, David & Rose Malone, Wendy Dunstan, Jordan Neal, Wendy Dunstan, Anton & Anna Kalcic, Vida & Toni Laginja.

Sick:

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



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: woddcath@bigpond.net.au. Or refer to or Reporting Process Poster displayed in our church.



Good Friday Service

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI PRIMARY SCHOOL, WODONGA

Friday 29.3.23

9am

**214 Baranduda Boulevard, Baranduda
Followed by hot cross buns, tea and coffee**



Wodonga Catholic Parish Reconciliation Program 2024: Enrolments Now Open



Enrolments are now open for the
Wodonga Catholic Parish

First Reconciliation Program **commencing in May.**

An enrolment form can be found on our website,
at <https://wodongacatholicparish.com.au/>,

collected from our Parish Centre,
via email: [wcpSacramental@gmail.com](mailto:wcpsacramental@gmail.com),
or via our CEW Schools.

**Your enrolment form must be completed and
returned to the Parish Centre**

OR email: wcpSacramental@gmail.com.

No later than Wednesday the 24th of April 2024

Catholic College Wodonga Invites you to PRAY FOR OUR CLASS OF 2024

As we embrace the new year, we find ourselves once again at the threshold of a cherished tradition within our Parish. Since the early 2000s, the tradition of the Year 12 Prayer cards has woven its way into the fabric of our community, serving as a beacon of support and solidarity for our beloved students embarking on their final year at Catholic College Wodonga.

The essence of this tradition lies in the power of prayer. Each year, parishioners like yourselves are graciously invited to participate and dedicate your prayers to our Year 12 students throughout their journey. This simple act of solidarity creates a bridge between our parish community and the students, offering them spiritual strength, encouragement, and guidance as they navigate the challenges and joys of their final year of schooling. As we extend this heartfelt invitation once again, we are reminded of the profound impact that collective prayer can have. Your prayers serve as a source of comfort and inspiration, reminding our students that they are not alone on their journey. Whether it's a prayer for courage before exams, resilience during times of uncertainty, or gratitude for the friendships and experiences they cherish, your words of prayer hold immeasurable significance.

So, I invite each and every one of you to participate in this beautiful tradition once again. Take a moment to pick up a prayer card, hold our Year 12 students in your thoughts and prayers, and let them feel the warmth of our collective love and support as they embark on this transformative journey.

To provide our students with an opportunity to thank you for your support throughout the year, we will hold our annual Parishioners Breakfast and bring our community together.

Please register your name and email address either via the signup sheets available at Sacred Heart Parish, Wodonga or via email to kirstie.elvidge@ccw.vic.edu.au. We will send you your digital prayer card early in Term 2 and we will also contact you with details about our breakfast event, to be scheduled early in Term 4.

Thank you for your unwavering dedication to our youth and our community. Together, through the power of prayer, we can uplift, empower, and inspire our Year 12 students to shine brightly as they step into the next chapter of their lives.

Damien Keady-Director of Catholic Identity



Syro-Malabar - Indian Community Holy Week and Easter Mass Times:



Sacred Heart Church - Wodonga

6:30pm-Saturday March 23rd-Palm Sunday Celebration

6:30pm - Wednesday March 27th-Holy Thursday Celebration

6:30am-Easter Sunday Celebrations

(Blessing of Candles and New Water)

WODONGA ROSTERS 30TH & 31ST MARCH 2024

SACRED HEART CLEANING: Volunteers

SACRED HEART ALTAR: Volunteers

5:00 pm

8:30 am

10:30 am

Altar Servers: Volunteer
Lector 1: Volunteer
Lector 2: Volunteer

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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 pm Volunteers

8:30 am Volunteers

10:30 am Volunteers

Children's Liturgy:

8.30 am & 10.30 am

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK 24TH MARCH

THIS WEEK: TEAM 3: Bernie & Julie Jones

NEXT WEEK: TEAM 4: Margo Dare, Pauline Acott, Kath Didier

MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 31ST MARCH

LECTOR: Fran
BACK UP: Roseanna
COMMENTATOR: Gail
POWERPOINT: Stuart

DEDERANG ROSTERS: 31ST MARCH

FIRST / SECOND READING: Judy Brewer
WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL: Diane Goonan
POWERPOINT: Harrison Fischer

Blessing of the Palms: Gospel Mark 11:1-10

When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, and said to them, 'Go into the village opposite you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" say, "The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately"'. And they went away, and found a colt tied at the door out in the open street; and they untied it. And those who stood there said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' And they told them what Jesus had said; and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments on it; and he sat upon it. And many spread their garments on the road, and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed cried out, 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! Hosanna in the highest!'

Readings this week:

Isiah 50:4-7
 Philippians 2:6-11
 Mark 14:1-15:47

Readings next week:

Acts 10: 34, 37-43
 Colossians 3: 1-4
 John 20:1-9

Responsorial Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.



Wodonga Catholic Parish and the Parishes of Tallangatta & Corryong Holy Week & Easter Mass Times



Palm Sunday: March 24th:

Blessings of the palms at all Masses this weekend.

Chrism Mass: 11:00 am Tuesday March 26th – Sacred Heart Cathedral Bendigo

Holy Thursday: March 28th: *No Morning Mass at Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga.*

3:00 pm until 4.00 pm	Reconciliation - St Joseph's Church	Mt Beauty
4:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper - St Joseph's Church	Mt Beauty
6:30 pm until 7.00 pm	Reconciliation - Sacred Heart Church	Wodonga
7:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper - Sacred Heart Church	Wodonga
7:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper - Sacred Heart Church	Corryong
9:00 pm	<i>Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga, will remain open until 9:00pm</i>	

Good Friday March 29th

9:00 am	Stations of the Cross - St Francis of Assisi Primary School	Baranduda
12:00 pm	Ecumenical Stations of the Cross - St Andrews Anglican Church	Dederang
3:00 pm	Liturgy – The Lord's Passion – Sacred Heart Church	Wodonga
3:00 pm	Liturgy – The Lord's Passion – St Michael's Church	Tallangatta
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Reconciliation - Sacred Heart Church	Wodonga

Holy Saturday Vigil March 30th

9:00 am until 10:00 am	Reconciliation - Sacred Heart Church	Wodonga
5:00pm until 6.00 pm	Reconciliation - Sacred Heart Church	Corryong
6:00 pm	Easter Vigil - Sacred Heart Church	Corryong
7:00 pm	Easter Vigil - Sacred Heart Church	Wodonga

Easter Sunday March 31st

6:00 am Sunrise Mass :	Ebden Reserve	Hume Weir
6:30 am Sunrise Service :	Ecumenical Service	Tawonga Gap
8:30 am & 10.30 am	Sacred Heart Church	Wodonga
8:30 am	St Joseph's Church	Mt Beauty
9:00 am	Christ the King Church	Walwa
9:00 am	St Joseph's Church	Mitta Mitta
10:30 am	St Joseph's Church	Dederang
11:00 am	St Michael's Church	Sandy Creek
11:30 am	St Michael's Church	Tallangatta