

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 MICHAELS CHURCH Tallangatta, SACRED HEART CHURCH Corryong.

July 7th - 2024 : Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday

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:

Pope Francis reminds us, we are called to be a Church that goes forth, embracing all cultures and peoples. Let us open our hearts to the wisdom and spirituality of our First Nations Peoples, recognizing the presence of Christ in our stories and traditions. May this celebration be a moment of grace, healing, and transformation for all of us.

NAIDOC Week:



Every year, on the first Sunday in July, Catholics come together across Australia to acknowledge and celebrate the gifts of Australia's First Peoples in the Catholic Church. NAIDOC Week begins today. This week provides an opportunity for all Australians to join in celebrating the culture, aspirations and hopes of the country's First Nations peoples. It is a time for engaging with one another, for recognising and celebrating the many ways in which pride is being built in Indigenous communities, and for pressing for respect in all our personal and institutional relationships.

Vatican City goes 100% Solar Energy:

With the Encyclical **Laudato Si** on Care for Our Common Home 2015, I invited all of humanity to become aware of the need to make changes to lifestyles, production and consumption, in order to counteract global warming, ... Vatican City State, accedes to the UN Convention on Climate Change. There is a need to make a transition to a sustainable development model. ... We have the technological means to deal with this environmental transformation and its pernicious ethical, social, economic and political consequences, and, among these, solar energy plays a key role. *Letter: Fratello Sole by Pope Francis, 21 June 2024*

Focus on the Gospel:

It is not easy to recognise a true prophet. Frequently those with prophetic insight are treated without honour. The people to whom Ezekiel was sent were hard of face, obstinate of heart, a rebellious house. The Galileans who heard Jesus' words were no better. They questioned his authenticity because they thought he was no better than they were and, therefore, he had no right to act superior. We so often resent people who can do what we cannot. This resentment can be magnified when the person is someone with whom we have grown up, a member of the family or of the community.

True believers recognise and admit their human frailty. They know that genuine weakness does not impede the saving action of God. God seems to prefer to act where pride and self-satisfaction do not prevail, for such attitudes are obstacles to personal transformation. However, when we open ourselves in humility and honest piety, the power of God can flood our minds and hearts and shine forth from us to all around. There will be no doubt in any mind as to the origin of this wondrous reality. It will be very clear that though it comes through us, it comes from God. The receptivity of Paul in this matter is in sharp contrast to the rebellion of the people at the time of Ezekiel and the resistance of those who thought that they knew Jesus so well.

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Office Hours

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Monday to Friday

Wodonga Catholic Parish

Priests:

Father Andrew Fewings-

Moderator

Father Adi Indra

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Pastoral Leader of

Tallangatta and Corryong

Father John Paul Pasala

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Mercy Presence

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

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 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, Wodonga

Monday & Saturday 9.15 am

Reconciliation:

St Augustine's Church, Wodonga

Saturday 8:45 am to 9:10am

Country Churches:

Before Mass.

WODONGA ROSTERS 13TH & 14TH JULY

SACRED HEART CLEANING: Volunteers

SACRED HEART SACRISTY: Mary Harkness & Jennifer Flower

5:00 pm

8:30 am

10:30 am

Altar Servers: Volunteer
Lector 1: Matt Ley
Lector 2: Juliana Vaughan

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Lector 2: Luci Saric

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Lector 2: Estrella Wiltshire

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 pm Loni, Sandy & Michael

8:30 am John B, Marg H, & Anne K

10:30 am Helen, Bronwyn & Jacinta

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK

THIS WEEK: TEAM 8: Ross Black, David & Helen Gill, Frank Watson

NEXT WEEK: TEAM 9: Gerard Peeters, Thomas Zerafa

Children's Liturgy: 8:30 am

MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 7TH JULY

LECTOR: Deb
BACK UP Mary-Anne
COMMENTATOR: Bruce
POWERPOINT Gail

DEDERANG ROSTERS: 4TH AUGUST

FIRST / SECOND READING: TBA
WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL: TBA
POWERPOINT: TBA

Mark 6:1-6

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him.

They said,

'Where did the man get all this?

What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him?

This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon?

His sisters, too, are they not here with us?'

And they would not accept him.

And Jesus said to them,

'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them.

He was amazed at their lack of faith.

Readings this week:

Ezekiel 2:2-5
 2 Corinthians 12:7-10
 Mark 6:1-6

Readings next week

Amos 7:12-15
 Ephesians 1:3-14
 Mark 6:7-13

Responsorial Psalm:

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.

What's happening in our Parishes

Recent Deaths:

Alfred Silvester (Sil) Garoni, Sr Rosemary Crowe FCJ

Anniversaries:

Geraldine (McVean) Finlayson, Salvatore Lauricella, Angie Keogh
Graham Seymour, Terry Clear, Bill Osborne, Frank Gullifer, Peter Everett,
Branka Saric, Sabina & Carmel Duggan, Michael O'Brien.

Those who are Unwell:

Gwyn McCall, John Saric, John Hodson, Genevieve Govers, Eloise Hill,
Zoey La Motte-Schubert, Salome Ramirez, Kerstin Lancaster, Ricky Ellul,
Robert Anderson, Mary Shaddock, Marie Morgan, parishioners who are
ill, their families & carers.

Would you like your loved ones recent death, anniversary or ill health acknowledged in this bulletin for prayers to be offered? Please pass the information on to the Priest or email Sonni at wodcath@bigpond.net.au. OR
Ph: 0260243366. *Due to privacy laws we are unable to place names in the bulletin unless requested by a relative.*



Unable to Attend Mass:

Are you unable to attend Mass or do you have a family member who is unable to attend Mass and wishes to receive Eucharist?

Please contact our Parish Centre staff who will be able to organise visits from the Eucharist Ministers or our Priests.

The Rite of Commissioning Extraordinary Ministers:

This Weekend our newly trained Eucharistic Ministers will be commissioned at Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga.

We thank all our volunteers for the time and talents they offer to our community.

Peters Pence Collection:

Our parish will take up a collection on 13th & 14th of July.

This collection is used for two purposes:

Supporting the Pope's service of the universal Church, carried out by the Dicasteries that assist him in evangelization, the promotion of integral human development, education, communication, etc. and contributes to numerous charitable works directly assisting the most in need (people and families in distress, populations hit by natural disasters or war, or who are in need of humanitarian assistance or development support).

Being With God in Nature Catholic Earthcare Caritas Australia

TEILHARD
Visionary Scientist

Image Credit: Teilhard project

Caritas Australia, Catholic Earthcare and Being With God In Nature invites you to an online screening of the "Teilhard Visionary Scientist" on **Tuesday 23 July** from 6pm AEST, 5:30pm ACST, 4pm AWST. Ex-Jesuit Michael McGirr, current mission facilitator of Caritas Australia will join us to discuss.

'House Keeping'

It is lovely having a catch up and gathering in our churches after Mass, a Welcoming cuppa or an event to bring us together socially.

Please be aware if you are hosting a morning tea or event in our churches it is your responsibility to ensure bins are emptied and the church is left tidy.

Wodonga Parishioners

Please Note a change of Venue and Time:
FROM JULY 6th - Reconciliation will take place at: St Augustine's Catholic Church on Saturday's from 8:45am to 9:10am

What's happening in our Parishes



BAPTISM



Welcome & Congratulations

We welcome and congratulate children and families as they celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

KSC Wodonga and People First Community Lottery

Scan to share this page.



Proceeds to Seminarians, Parish project, KSC charities.

Tickets sales close

Thursday 25-July, drawn 01- Aug.

50 Prizes – Toyota Hybrid Car, Solar/Battery Package, Travel vouchers, shopping vouchers.

Scan code to view info and purchase.

\$2 tickets: SCAN sales with mobile, email, DEBIT card

CASH SALES: A local member of the KSC will be in the foyer of Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga after all Masses on **13 -14 July and 20 -21 July.**

Emergency Safety Exit Plans and Assembly Points

Emergency Safety Exit Plans and Assembly Points of the Wodonga Catholic Parish premises are located at the entry and exits points of each of our public spaces. Please be familiar with these plans



Liturgical Jottings - "Son of Man"

The Prophet Ezekiel is called by God to go to the rebel Israelites to preach to them. The Lord calls Ezekiel: "Son of man." This title is used 87 times for Ezekiel in the book but in two senses: he is set apart from others for a special mission to bring the Word of God to others. Yet he is not God but human, a son of man, it is a down to earth expression. However, Daniel is the only other prophet given this title. In Dan 7:13 & 8:17 the title expresses that Daniel is greater than others; it also has Messianic overtones. Jesus adopts this title in addressing himself as the "Son of Man" more than any other title.

This expression appears in the liturgy eleven times but only in the Communion Antiphons e.g.: "The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. (Matthew 20: 28).

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You're invited to
Join Us



Please join us for morning tea in the Parish Centre on Tuesday the 9th of July after morning Mass. This is great opportunity to get to know our clergy and parish centre staff. All Welcome.



On The Journey This Week:

Fr Richard Healey says that the two Gospel stories this week call us to confront our fears with faith. Mother

Hilda's powerful story on life-saving encouragement. Plus, Fr Tony Percy, Francine Pirola, and Fr Mike Delaney. The Journey podcast available at

www.jcr.org.au.

Fr Andrew sends out a great **BIG Thank You**

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU

to the parishioners who graciously volunteered to clean St Augustine's Church last week.

Our Church is now **SPARKLING Clean!** It was a great team effort and much appreciated.



Teams of Our Lady

Teams: For Married Couples

TEAMS is an international movement for married couples. In total there are about 12,900 Teams spread over 90 countries.

What is Teams – a Team comprises around five couples (and a spiritual counsellor) who meet together each month - the meetings are held at each couples' home on a rostered basis - includes liturgy, sharing a meal and an opportunity to discuss personal highs and lows of the past month **Teams provides a great opportunity for us to enrich our marriage whilst spending quality time with other like minded couples.**

Would you like to know more?
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