

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.

August 11 - 2024 The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time: 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

At least once a day we find ourselves eating together; perhaps in the evening with our family, after a day of work or study. It would be lovely, before breaking bread, to invite Jesus, the bread of Life, to ask him simply to bless what we have done and what we have failed to do. Let us invite him into our home; let us pray at home. Jesus will be at the table with us and we will be fed by a greater love. (Angelus Address 8/8/2021)

Focus on the Readings:

The Gospel reaches a turning point this week in Jesus' discourse on the bread of life. The crowd that was eager to follow and listen to him is now complaining about his teaching. Referring to the bread which God provided in the desert, the manna from heaven, Jesus is offering a new type of bread. Both cases need to be understood as the revelation of God: God is revealing himself to his people and providing for their needs, both worldly as in the desert and spiritually in this isolated place. Thus, the emphasis is on listening, seeing, believing the revelation of the Father through Jesus Christ.

Jesus' teaching - his Word - is the bread they need for life, yet they find it difficult to understand. To understand Jesus as a gift, given by the Father. The Father's gift reveals or uncovers the mysteries. Here they are the mysteries of God's Word and the Eucharist. The readings present symbolic language, firstly by the bread, and then by the Elijah's forty days in the desert (1 Kings 19:8) and the Israelites forty years in desert (Exodus and John 6:49). Later in the discourse Jesus adopts "sacramental language" when he promises to give us living bread: "the bread that I shall give you is my flesh" (John 6:51). We are invited to come to Jesus in faith and love.

Text for the Week:

As God's dear children, then, take Christ as your pattern, and live in love just as Christ loved us, giving himself up for us as an offering and sweet-smelling sacrifice to God. Ephesians 5:1-2, quoting Exodus 29:18. RNJB

one *Giggle* at a time



The teacher asked Little Johnny,
'If you received ten dollars from ten people,
What would you have Johnny?



" Oh that's easy replied Little Johnny I'd have a new bike" !

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Office Hours

9:30 am - 3:00 pm

Monday to Friday

Wodonga Catholic Parish

Priests:

Father Andrew Fewings-

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Pastoral Leader of

Tallangatta and Corryong

Father John Paul Pasala

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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.

What's happening in our Parishes

Recent Deaths:

Ben O Connell, Maree Cooper, Lynette Barber (nee Speers), Sr Benedicta Quinlan FCJ, Maureen Reuss.

Anniversaries:

Bryan Crothers, Marion Mahony, Kathleen Moore, Josip Juric, Lauris Back Ron McGrath, Gary Turner, Maureen Cabrie, Rev Fr Terence Mahedy, Sr Elizabeth (Betty) O'Donnell RSJ, Pam Stone, Bob McBean, Joshua Perkins, Rodney McClean, Margaret Helliard, Alec Harrison, Dr. Angel Torio.

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.

Parishioners Please Note:

We will celebrate The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Solemnity with Mass, Thursday, August 15th - 9:30am and 6pm @ Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga.

Welcome  St. Francis of Assisi
PRIMARY SCHOOL WODONGA

Wodonga Catholic Parish Welcomes students and staff of St Francis of Assisi Primary School, as they join us for Morning Mass, at the altered time of 9:30am on Thursday August 15th for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

WCP Sacramental Program Confirmation/Eucharist

We are now taking enrolments for the 2024 Confirmation/Eucharist Program that will run during October, the Sacraments being received on the first weekend of November. Enrolment forms are available online, on our Parish website or Facebook page
Hard copies can be collected from our CEW Schools or the Parish Centre.

To enrol your child/children in the Confirmation/Eucharist Program they must have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

If you have any questions about the program please
E: wcpsacramental@gmail.com

CCR Prayer Group:

The CCR Prayer Group meet fortnightly.

Wednesday-6.45 pm cuppa
7 - 8.30 pm **next gathering August 21st**

Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga.

All welcome

Contact Brigita- 0412042196

RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:

Do you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic? **The RCIA is a program:**

- *For those who wish to learn about the Catholic faith and to discern whether this is the right path for them.
- *For those who are not baptised.
- *For those who have been baptised into another Christian faith.
- *For those who were baptised as Catholic but never received the sacraments of Confirmation or Eucharist (Holy Communion)

As a member of the Wodonga Parish Community, you can be involved by inviting someone to learn about the Catholic faith through the RCIA; by becoming an RCIA team member yourself; or by sponsoring a potential candidate, Praying for us always. Statistics show that most people respond to a personal invitation. Please consider this as your personal invitation to help bring people into our Catholic faith community.

For further enquiries contact Wodonga Catholic Parish on 0260243366 or email wodcath@bigpond.net.au

Wodonga Rosters 17th & 18th August

SACRED HEART CLEANING: Volunteers

SACRED HEART SACRISTY: Mary Harkness & Jennifer Flower

5:00 pm

Altar Servers: Volunteer
Lector 1: David Gill
Lector 2: Jenny Sinnott

8:30 am

Altar Servers: Volunteer
Lector 1: Diana McKinley
Lector 2: Marg Pallot

10:30 am

Altar Servers: Volunteer
Lector 1: Marinela Jaculbia
Lector 2: Don Cameron

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 pm Meryl, Amilia & Juliana

8:30 am Mark, John B & Anne T

10:30 am Gerard, Helen & Nina

COUNTERS: THIS WEEK

THIS WEEK: TEAM 3: Bernie & Julie Jones

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

Children's Liturgy: 8:30 am

MT BEAUTY ROSTERS: 18TH AUGUST

LECTOR: Peter
BACK UP: Fran
COMMENTATOR: Barb
POWERPOINT: Gail

DEDERANG ROSTERS: 1ST SEPTEMBER

FIRST / SECOND READING: Alanna Kirley
WELCOME/PSALM/PRAYER OF FAITHFUL: Sharon Coulston
POWERPOINT: Diane Goonan

John 6:41-51

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said,
'I am the bread that came down from heaven.'

'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother.
How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?'

Jesus said in reply, 'Stop complaining to each other.

'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me,
and I will raise him up at the last day.

It is written in the prophets:

They will all be taught by God, and to hear the teaching of the Father,
and learn from it, is to come to me. Not that anybody has seen the Father,
except the one who comes from God: he has seen the Father.

I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life.

I am the bread of life.

Your fathers ate the manna in the desert
and they are dead;

but this is the bread that comes down from heaven,
so that a man may eat it and not die.

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever;
and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Readings this week:

1 Kings 19:4-8
Ephesians 4:30-5:2
John 6:41-51

Readings next week:

Proverbs 9:1-6
Ephesians 5:15-20
John 6:51-58

Responsorial Psalm:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven,
says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live
forever. Alleluia!

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.

What's happening in our Parishes



Tuesday 13 August after Morning Mass
PARISH CENTRE MORNING TEA ALL WELCOME!

Thursday 15 August Solemnity of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Masses 9.30am & 6pm SHC Wodonga

SAVE
THE
DATE!

Welcoming Cuppa August 25th-Hosted by St Monica's School Community

Season Of Creation begins 1st September- Parish Celebration!

NEW CREATIONS YOUTH-LED MASS- COMING SOON WATCH THIS

COMING
SOON



Mission: Transform Lives- theirs...and yours

Have you been considering whether an overseas professional placement with Palms is for you? Wanting to share your skills with communities in the Pacific, Asia or Africa to help develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty? Join our Palms' [Discovery Webinar](#) online on **Thursday 15 August**.

Meet Carolyn, currently in Timor Leste, and former Palms participants to find out more about [Assignments Aboard](#).

Venue: Online via Zoom- register at palms.org.au/event/discovery-online/

Date: Thursday 15th August 2024

Time: 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm AEST

Ph:02 9560 5333



Liturgical Jottings Liturgy and Mission 2

A liturgical celebration that does not evangelise is not authentic, just as a proclamation that does not lead to an encounter with the risen Lord in the celebration is not authentic. Without the testimony of charity, both are like sounding a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. (1 Cor 13:1)

Pope Francis,

Desiderio Desideravi,
no. 37, 2022.

In Australia, many of those baptised as Catholics do not participate regularly in the Sunday Mass. Their presence at liturgy can offer them an experience of belonging to the Church at prayer. This is why it is important that the liturgy be allowed to speak power-fully of the mystery it contains. It is why hospitality and inclusion matter in our worship. It is why the liturgy can be a pivotal moment in evangelising and drawing people to conversion of heart. It can become the doorway to something deeper."

From:

A Sacred Action Surpassing All Others -Australian Bishops
Commission for Liturgy,
4 December 2013

The Season of Creation:

The Season of Creation is fast approaching. It's a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together. During the Season of Creation, we join our sisters and brothers in the ecumenical family in prayer and action for our common home. The season starts **September 1st**, World Day of Prayer for Creation, and ends **October 4th**, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the Patron Saint of ecology believed by many Christian denominations. Throughout the month-long celebration, the world's 2.2 billion Christians come together to care for our common home.



[On The Journey](#)

Tune in to the journey weekly:
The Journey podcast is available at www.jcr.org.au.

Wodonga Lutheran Parish

invite you to join them at the
Official Opening and Consecration
of their new Church

ST JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

10 Derwent Way, West Wodonga

Sunday 18th August 2024 at 2pm

Afternoon tea provided
after the service.

For more information

please contact Parish council secretary

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