FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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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 CHURCH 3RD SUNDAY @ 10.30 AM MASS

DEDERANG: ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH 1ST SUNDAY @ 10.30 AM MASS

MT BEAUTY: ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH IST & 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 CHURCH 2ND & 4TH SATURDAY @ 4:00 PM

SANDY CREEK: ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH 5TH SUNDAY @ 8:30 AM

MITTA MITTA: ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH 5TH SUNDAY @ 11:00 AM

2ND & 4TH SATURDAYS: SYRO-MALABAR MASS 6:30PM

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 MASSES.



WODONGA CATHOLIC PARISH

Acknowledgement of Country

Wodonga Catholic Parish, acknowledges 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

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Looking at the Readings:

Today the church begins the Season of Advent. But Advent begins at the end: the readings and prayers of the Liturgy focus on the second coming of Christ at the end of time. The Gospel of Luke explicitly refers to the end of time, space, the earth and the heavens when Christ will come with power and great glory. Luke grants us a smidgin of comfort the other gospels omit: "Stand up, ... your liberation is near." (24:28). It will be a time of confidences, hope and joy.

The Prophet Jeremiah words have, as at several times, two levels of interpretation: the Messiah's first coming or his next coming at the end of time: "In those days and at that time" (Jer 33:15) The Advent Preface also carries the two comings of Christ: At Bethlehem and when He comes again in glory and majesty. Again, the prophecy is not gloom and doom but speaks of great promise and hope (Advent Preface 1).

The Christians progresses through Advent, starting at the end being vigilant and waiting, On the second Sunday on hearing the warnings in the mission of John the Baptist, Third Sunday on the coming of the Messiah – a time of rejoicing. And the Fourth Sunday on the events leading up to the birth of the saviour, the first Christmas, a new beginning.

Liturgical Jottings ~ Springtime of the Liturgy II

After the New Testament books that provided many liturgical texts came early writings of the Church: The Didache, perhaps collated from several sources in 1st & 2nd centuries contained framework of the Eucharistic Prayer, though not a complete text. Letters from Clement of Rome, Justin Martyr, and Clement of Alexandria and a homily of Melito of Sardis give us witness of the way of celebrations of prayer and sacraments. The most important document of this era is the Apostolic Tradition of St Hippolytus (ca 213) which describes the liturgy and Chrisitan practice in Rome. Other rich sources are found in Catechesis from Jerusalem, the Anaphora of Addai & Mari (Syria) and from Serapion in Egypt.

Excerpts from the Synod 2024

The Synod on "Communion. Participation and Mission" published its final document containing an Introduction and Five Parts. Each begins with a quote from the Gospel of John. All post-resurrection passages inspired the titles of the five parts: The Heart of Synodality Called to Conversation; On the Boat Together, Cast the Net; An Abundant Catch; and finally: So I Send You". The synodal journey took place in the light of the second Vatican Council with its two foci: Aggiormento [bringing up to date] and Ressourcement [returning to the sources]. The synod described the Council like a seed thrown onto the field of the world and the Church. to grow and flourish. (n.5)

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 Tallangatta, SACRED HEART Corryong.



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Recent Deaths

Trevor W Larkin's Brother)

Leon Van Buynder, Russell Cochrane, Antonia Best, June Fuery, Lucia Castro, Neil Brown **Anniversaries:** Don & Connie Tremethick, Guido Angelini, John Packer, Kelly Gatt Franks.

Those who are unwell Karen Ward, John Hodson, Eloise Hill, Ricky Ellul, Geoffrey Halford, Rosanna Jackson, Genevieve Govers, Salome Ramirez, Kerstin Lancaster, Robert Anderson, David Evans Mary Shaddock, 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 E: 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.



■ WCP OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT.

Are you in search of a professional environment to expand your business? Wodonga Catholic Parish offers an office space for rent; ideally situated with additional amenities. Including......

Reverse cycle air conditioning, a shared restroom, kitchen and a stylish meeting room. For further details about this available space and its features, please contact the Parish Centre and ask to speak to Fr Andrew or Sonni PH: 02 6024 3366 during office hours.

Congratulations Sacramental Candidates

Wodonga Catholic Parish congratulates the last of our 2024 Sacramental candidates, sponsors and families please continue to pray for them



Mass of Anointing

The Mass of Anointing will take place on Wednesday the 11th of December in Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga@ 1:30pm Further info: Des Lonergan 0408 575 825

Wodonga Catholic Parish: Planned Giving:

Parishioners please note: the planned giving reports & new sets of envelopes are available in the foyer of Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga.

Rosters Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers

Please let Marilynn Seiter know any dates you will be unavailable from January to June, 2025.Email: cdmaseiter@gmail.com

2025 - Daily Mass Books

a small number of 2025 are now available in the Wodonga Catholic Parish Gift Shop @ \$28.00 each.

2025 - CALENDARS

The 2025 Columban & Josephite Calendars are now available in the Wodonga Catholic Parish Gift Shop @ \$11.00 each. Our gift shop is open after each weekend Mass, or phone the Parish Centre PH. 0260243366

Corryong Parishioners Please Note:

Sacred Heart Primary School Graduation Mass will take place in Sacred Heart Church, Corryong, on December 16th @ 10:30am. All Welcome.

Tallangatta Parishioners

Please Note:

St Michaels Primary School Graduation Mass will take place in St Michaels' Catholic Church, Tallangatta, on December 13th @ 1:00pm. All Welcome.

Christmas Cards available NOW:

Christmas cards are now available in the WCP Gift Shop, sold in packs of ten @ \$8.00 each, produced by Majellan Family Media. Sending these beautifully designed cards during the festive season helps share the Christmas message with loved ones, reminding us of the joy and warmth of the holiday and the importance of cherishing time with family and friends.

Caritas Global Gifts:



are Christmas Cards with purpose! Every card you buy helps build brighter futures for children, women and me experiencing hardship and poverty.

By putting your compassion into action and shopping for the Global Gifts of your choice you will bring hope and joy to the world's most vulnerable and communities, while giving your loved ones a meaningful Christmas card. Use the QR code to view and purchase Or go to www.globalgifts.org.au



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Wodonga 7th & 8th December

Sacred Heart Church Cleaning: Peter Kellow

Juliana Vaughan

Christine Stewart

Sacred Heart Sacristy: Volunteers

Lectors/Altar Servers

5:00pm	
Altar Server:	Volunteer

Lector 1:

Lector 2:

Altar Server: Volunteer Lector 1: Lector 2:

Kate Rotherham **Ross Black**

10:30am

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

10:30am: Gerard, Helen & Nina

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00pm: Joy, Pam & Clive

8:30 Anne T, John A & John B

Counters

Gerard Peeters & Thomas Zerafa This Week: TEAM 9: Next Week: TEAM 10: John Dunstan, Mavis Hyndman, Gloria Humpage

<u>Mt Beauty –15th December</u>		<u>Dederang - 25th December</u>	
Lector:	Roseanna	First / Second Reading:	Judy Brewer
Back Up:	Gail	Welcome/Psalm/PoF:	Diane Goonan
Commentator:	Mary-Anne	1 1	
PowerPoint:	Stuart	PowerPoint:	Harrison Fischer

GOSPEL LUKE 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus said to his disciples:

There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves:

men duing of fear as they await what menaces the world,

for the powers of heaven will be shaken.

And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high,

because your liberation is near at hand.

Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap.

For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth.

Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.

Readings this week Jeremiah 33:14-16 1 Thessalonians 3:12-14:2	Entrance Antiphon:	To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. To you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.]
Luke 21:25-28	Responsorial Psalm:	To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.
Reading next week: Baruch 5:1-9 Philippians 1:3-6, 8-11	Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, Alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!
Luke 3:1-6	Prayers of the Faithful:	Lord, hear our prayer



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JUST FOR GIGGLES:



How much did Santa pay for his sleigh? Nothing, it was on the house!

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT PRAYER LEAFLET

Parishioners please note:

Free copies of the 1st Sunday of Advent Prayer leaflet are available in the foyer of your church. you may also access a digital copy from our FB page or our website.. Just Hit the link: <u>https://wodongacatholicparish.com.au</u>

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WODONGA CATHOLIC PARISH FMFMBFR CHRISTMAS MASS MASS OF ANOINTING Let's veleprate **TIMES 2024 WEDNESDAY 11 DECEMBER** ST VINNIE'S COLLECTION Community Celebration of Reconciliation **IST WEEKEND OF EACH MONTH** Wodonga: Sacred Heart Catholic Church. - Thursday, December 12th - 7:00 pm **WCP BAPTISM PREPARATION 1ST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH** Reconciliation Wodonga: Sacred Heart Catholic Church. - Saturday December 21st - 9:00 - 10:00 am WCP PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL **1ST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH** 🕻 Christmas Eve Mass Times WCP PARISH FINANCE TEAM MEET **4TH FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH** Wodonga: Sacred Heart Catholic Church - 6:00 pm - Family Nativity Mass: WCP PARISH SAFEGUARDING TEAM IST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH Wodonga: Sacred Heart Catholic Church - 8:30 pm CCR RAYER GROUP MEET Tangambalanga: Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church - 6:00 pm WEDNESDAY'S - FORTNIGHTLY Mt Beauty: Saint Joseph's Catholic Church - 6:00 pm Wodonga: Saint Augustine's Catholic Church - 5:00 pm - Syro Malabar Community **OPEN UP** Tallangatta: Saint Michael's Catholic Church - 6:00 pm YOUR 2025 CALENDAR Christmas Day Mass Times Wodonga: Sacred Heart Catholic Church - 8.30 am & 10:30 am **28 JANUARY CEW OPENING MASS** 8:30AM SACRED HEART CHURCH, WODONGA Mt Beauty: Saint Joseph's Catholic Church - 8:30 am 12 FEBRUARY -CCW WELCOMING MASS Walwa: Christ the King Catholic Church - 9:00 am. & PIZZA EVENING - ALL INVITED Dederang: Saint Joseph's Catholic Church - 10:30 am. SAFER INTERNET DAY IS COMING! unto Mitta Mitta: Saint Joseph's Catholic Church - 8:30 am. Child **11 FEBRUARY 2025** Sandy Creek: Saint Michael's Catholic Church -11:00 am. **DEVELOPMENT OF OUR WCP GIFT SHOP** VOLUNTEER Corryong: Sacred Heart Catholic Church -11:00 am **ROSTER, POLICY, PROCEDURE.**