



# WODONGA CATHOLIC PARISH

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## OFFICE HOURS

9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

## WODONGA CATHOLIC PARISH

### PRIESTS:

FR ANDREW FEWINGS, MODERATOR

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LEADER OF TALLANGATTA & CORRYONG)

PH: 6024 3366

### MERCY PRESENCE

SISTER EILEEN REARDON

PH: 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 CHURCH

3RD SUNDAY @ 10.30 AM MASS

#### DEDERANG: ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

1ST SUNDAY @ 10.30 AM MASS

#### MT BEAUTY: ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

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 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

#### 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

### 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

## 23-FEBRUARY-2025 -7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR C

### Looking at the Readings:

Revenge and Retaliation are Reproached in the Scripture readings today. Sometimes we are quick to attribute vengeance to the Old Testament and mercy to the New but justice and mercy are very much present throughout all of the scriptures. David had the cause and the opportunity to deal revenge and retaliation on his enemy Saul but thought better of it. Christ is quite unambiguous about love of enemies, bless and pray for those who do you harm. We see very clearly in our current societies around the world how violence begets violence and systems of retaliation escalates capital crimes. Jesus offers a better way.

Luke's Gospel passage continues from the Beatitudes we heard last week, with a series of statements of ethical ways to live. Yet the Gospel is just not a collection of doctrines and moral instructions but God's self-revelation and God's plan for salvation. These statements are very similar to Matthew's account but with a notable exception. Matthew's discourse ends with the admonition to be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect. Luke's version ends with: "Be compassionate as your heavenly Father is compassionate. Jesus reveals God's person and actions to us.

### Fourth Papal Encyclical (Excerpts)

On the human and divine love of the heart of Jesus Christ

1. "He loved us", Saint Paul says of Christ (Rom 8:37), in order to make us realise that nothing can ever "separate us" from that love (Rom 8:39). Paul could say this with certainty because Jesus himself had told his disciples, "I have loved you" (Jn 15:9, 12). Even now, the Lord says to us, "I have called you friends" (Jn 15:15). His open heart has gone before us and waits for us, unconditionally, asking only to offer us his love and friendship. For "he loved us first" (1Jn 4:10). Because of Jesus, "we have come to know and believe in the love that God has for us" (1Jn 4:16). Pope Francis Oct 2024

### Liturgical Jottings: Holy Year 2025: Prayer

There are many reasons and ways to pray, but at the root of prayer is always the desire to be open to God's presence and His offer of love. It is the Spirit of the Son that calls the Christian community to prayer and allows for each person to return to the Father.

Prayer opportunities on the Holy Year journey show that pilgrims hold the path to God "in their hearts" (Psalm 83:6). Pope Francis gave us this prayer ending in:

... May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

### INCORPORATING

SACRED HEART, Wodonga, ST. AUGUSTINE'S, Wodonga,  
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS, Tangambalanga, ST. JOSEPH'S Dederang, ST. JOSEPH'S Mt. Beauty  
& The Parishes of ST MICHAEL'S Tallangatta & SACRED HEART Corryong.



## Recent Deaths

### Anniversaries:

Terry Smith, Cliff Robinson, Pat Horne, Vivienne Davis, Pat Larkin, Luisa Cariag, Bill Mahony, Maureen & Denis Mahony, Marcelina Afonso.

### Those who are unwell:

Colin La Motte, Barbara Smith, Linda Hall, Karen Ward, John Hodson, Eloise Hill, Ricky Ellul, Geoffrey Halford, Rosanna Jackson, Genevieve Govers, Salome Ramirez, Kerstin Lancaster, David Evans, Robert Anderson, 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](mailto: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.

### Quote of the Week:

What is perfection in love? Love your enemies in such a way that you would desire to make them your brothers ...

For so did He love, Who hanging on the Cross, said

"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." (Luke 23:34) Saint Augustine

### Monday Morning Mass:

**WCP Parishioners please Note:** There will be no Morning Mass @ St Augustine's this Monday the **24th of February**.

### Lakeview Nursing Home: Tallangatta

An Anointing and Communion Service will be held for the residents of Lakeview Nursing Home Tallangatta on Wednesday 5th of March- 2025.

### Parish News:

Did you know you can request our Bulletin by email? You can also view the latest and previous Bulletins on FaceBook or our website.



Please go to our FaceBook page at <https://www.facebook.com/wodongacatholicparish> or our website. [www.wodongacatholicparish.com.au](http://www.wodongacatholicparish.com.au)

### Communion & Anointing:

Do you have a family member who would like communion or anointing at home or in hospital?



Please contact our staff @ the Parish Centre.

Ph: 60243366

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### Viewing:

After all Masses this weekend in the foyer of Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga.



Published with Bishop's approval  
Purchase available.

### Baptism Preparation Evening:

Our next preparation / information evening is **NEXT Tuesday 4 March at 6:00 pm** in Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga.

Parents of children to be baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Evening, as it is a pre-requisite in our Parish. Godparents and other family members are also welcome.

For information or to register contact our friendly Parish Centre staff : **Ph:** 6024 3366 OR **E:** [wodcath@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wodcath@bigpond.net.au).

### On The Journey This Week:

Fr John Nguyen OFM says we should show kindness to all, even the ungrateful and the wicked, as true disciples of Jesus. Mother Hilda urges us to open our hearts, extend compassion, and hold the hand of someone in need. Plus, Fr Tony Percy, Christy Honeysett, and Peter Abela. The Journey podcast available at [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au).

### A Safe Parish Is a Shared Responsibility:

If you have any concerns please contact our Parish Safe Guarding Officer Sonia La Motte-Schubert Ph: 60243366.... Or refer to our Safeguarding Reporting Process poster available in your church foyer or may be found on our website.

the WCP Safeguarding policies, can be found on our website

at:

<https://wodongacatholicparish.com.au/safeguarding/>

and follow the links provided or

E: [wcp safeguarding@gmail.com](mailto:wcpsafeguarding@gmail.com)

[Towards Healing helpline Free Call Ph: 1800 816 030.](tel:1800816030)

[Lifeline is a non-profit Organisation FREE 24-hour Crisis Support Ph: 13 11 14.](tel:131114)



# ROSTERS

## Wodonga 1st & 2nd March

**Sacred Heart Church Cleaning:** Kevin & Rita Keating

**Sacred Heart Sacristy:** Volunteers

### Lectors/Altar Servers

**5:00pm**

Altar Server: Volunteer  
Lector 1: David Gill  
Lector 2: Keri Kerr

**8:30am**

Altar Server: Volunteer  
Lector 1: Tekauita  
Lector 2: Michael Iverson

**10:30am**

Altar Server: Volunteer  
Lector 1: Jenny Sinnott  
Lector 2: Joe Maccioni

### Eucharistic Ministers

**5:00pm:** Sandy, Joy & Pam

**8:30am:** John A, John B & Marg B

**10:30am:** Gerard, Nina & Helen

### Counters

**This Week: TEAM 1:** John Foley, Greg & Maureen Baker, Mick Bone

**Next Week: TEAM21:** Val Mulqueeney, Rob Saric, Zennon McCarty

### Mt Beauty - 2nd March

**Lector:** Gail  
**Back Up:** Bruce  
**Commentator:** Mary-Anne  
**PowerPoint:** Eileen

### Dederang - 2nd March

**First / Second Reading:** Sharon  
**Welcome/Psalm/PoF:** Alanna  
**PowerPoint:** Diane

## Gospel Luke 6:27, 27-38

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening:

Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,  
bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly.

To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too;  
to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic.

Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you.

Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect?

Even sinners love those who love them.

And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect?

For even sinners do that much.

And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect?

Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good,  
and lend without any hope of return.

You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High,  
for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.

'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves;  
do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned.

Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over,  
will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

### Readings this week:

1Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23

1 Corinthians 15:45-49  
Luke 6:27-38

### Reading next week:

Sirach 27:4-7

1 Corinthians 15:54-58  
Luke 6:39-45

### Entrance Antiphon:

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.

### Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is kind and merciful.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! I give you a new commandment; love one another as I have loved you. . Alleluia!

### Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.



# REMEMBER

- WCP WELCOMING CUPPA**  
1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
- ST VINNIE'S COLLECTION**  
1ST WEEKEND OF EACH MONTH
- BAPTISM PREPARATION**  
1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH
- WCP PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**  
1ST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
- WCP PARISH SAFEGUARDING TEAM**  
1ST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
- CCR PRAYER GROUP MEET**  
WEDNESDAY'S - FORTNIGHTLY
- THE EL-SHADDAI CHARISMATIC MASS**  
THE 3RD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH
- WCP PARISH FINANCE TEAM MEET**  
4TH FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH
- CCW WELCOMING MASS FEB 18TH**  
ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND [A7] 6PM
- WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - LUTHERAN CHURCH WODONGA**  
FRIDAY 7TH MARCH -
- SYRO-MALABAR RITE MASS**  
2ND & 4TH SAT OF THE MONTH-7PM  
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## Parish Mass Times: March 5th 2025

- Sacred Heart Church - Wodonga: **9:15am**
- St Michaels Church - Tallangatta: **9:30am**
- Sacred Heart Church - Corryong: **1:00pm**
- St Joseph's Church - Mt Beauty: **6:00pm**
- Sacred Heart Church - Wodonga: **6:00pm**

## School Liturgy Times: March 5th 2025

- St Augustine's Primary School: **10:30am**
- St Monica's Primary School: **12:00pm**
- St Francis of Assisi Primary School: **2:15pm**

Keep a Look out for  
the 2025  
Easter Mass Times 

## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Forgive your enemies but never forget their names.  
~John F. Kennedy~



A wise person gets more benefit from his enemies than a fool gets from his friends.  
~Baltasar Gracian~

## Wodonga Tap Donation Point

After a few hiccups, we now have the tap donation equipment operational.

please see the instructions on how to use this new device.



Your donation to our parish is greatly appreciated



On the Screen you will see Pre-selected amount of \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50.

Select the amount you wish to donate.



Screen will be as shown PLEASE TAP

After tapping please wait to see the message

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