



# WODONGA CATHOLIC PARISH

## WODONGA CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE:

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## OFFICE HOURS

9:30 AM – 3:00 PM  
MONDAY TO FRIDAY

## WODONGA CATHOLIC PARISH

### PRIESTS:

FR ANDREW FEWINGS, MODERATOR  
FR DENIB JOSETTE (DJ) SUGUITAN  
FR JOHN PAUL PASALA (PASTORAL 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

**06 -APRIL-2025 - THE 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT-YR C**



**Caritas**  
AUSTRALIA

**PROJECT**  
**COMPASSION**

The transformative work of Caritas Australia is only possible thanks to supporters like you and the dedication, passion, and resilience of our local partners, who tirelessly work to empower communities and create brighter futures.

In Vietnam, Caritas Australia's partner programs, like I-SHINE, helped Lam, a young man with a disability, gain graphic design skills and start a successful freelance business, inspiring others to pursue their dreams.

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In the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Caritas Australia partners with Caritas Kongolo on the Youth Capacity Strengthening Program. This initiative equipped Irene, a single mother, with sewing and farming skills, enabling her to support her family and empower others in her community. Through partnerships like these, Caritas Australia creates lasting change in communities across the globe.

*Thank you for standing with us, as we Unite Against Poverty this Lent.*

**You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes Or by scanning the QR code for your parish below Or online at:**

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**UNITE**  
**AGAINST**  
**POVERTY**  
this Lent

**Corryong**



**UNITE**  
**AGAINST**  
**POVERTY**  
this Lent

**Tallangatta**



**Wodonga**



## Recent Deaths

Marian Zawora. Beverly Duncan

## Anniversaries:

Sr Imelda Gain, Margaret Quirk, Michael Fagan, Anton, Anna & Maria Kalcic, Muriel Ward,, Janet Selsby, Peter Tubie, David Sinnott, Ingeborg Husz, David Nicholson, Paul Ginnivan, Marie Barry.

## Those Who are Unwell:

Pope Francis, Colin La Motte, Michael Rooney, David Evans, Barbara Smith, Karen Ward, Donald Ward, Ricky Ellul, John Hodson, Eloise Hill, Geoffrey Halford, Rosanna Jackson, Genevieve Govers, Linda Hall, Salome Ramirez, Kerstin Lancaster, Robert Anderson, John Artis, 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.

## Lenten Holy Hour

**Exposition . Adoration . Vespers . Benediction**

Thursday's of Lent @ 5pm 27 March - 03.10

April. 2025 @ St Augustine's Church.

55 High Street Wodonga.

## Welcoming Cuppa

Please join us after all Masses this weekend for a cuppa and a chat in the foyer of Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga. Please bring a plate to share.

## Mass of Anointing

Join us for the Mass of Anointing **this Thursday**, April 10, at Sacred Heart Church in Wodonga, starting at 1:30 PM. Refreshments will be served afterward.

Everyone is welcome!

For inquiries, contact

Des Lonergan Ph: 0408575825.

## Eucharist at Home

Would you or someone you know appreciate receiving the Eucharist at home? Perhaps a visit from one of our priests would be meaningful? If so, please reach out to our staff at the Parish Centre. They would be more than happy to assist you in making arrangements. Contact us Ph: 0260243366 or email us at [wodcath@bigpond.net.au](mailto:wodcath@bigpond.net.au).

## Scripture Group

Join the WCP Parish Mark's Gospel Scripture Group this Lent 2025 to learn more about Jesus and deepen your relationship with Him. Meetings are held every other Tuesday at the Parish Centre from 5:45 PM to 7:15 PM, with upcoming dates on April 1, 15, and 29. As a two-year member, I find it rewarding. For more details, contact Clive Hayward at 0408343527.

## Stations of the Cross:

All Parishioners are invited to attend Stations of the Cross each **Friday evening during Lent**

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm @ Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga.

## Lenten Quote from the Saints

"Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again: For forgiveness has risen from the grave!"

~St John Chrysostom

## Did Jesus Write?

The incidence at the Temple is the only example we have of Jesus writing. But there is no record of what he wrote. Was he just doodling to give the accusers time to think?

Jesus taught, preached, gave witness to love, justice and mercy and rose to life and sent the Holy Spirit. He never wrote a book in the bible, he let his disciples do the writing so that later generations may benefit from his words

## Lenten Prayer Leaflets:

Please find copies of the 2025 Lenten Prayer Leaflets in the foyer of your church Or you may access the Leaflet on our website just hit the link:

<https://wodongacatholicparish.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/5.-Week-Five-Lent-2025.pdf>

## Sandhurst Youth Ministry

'The Chosen' Movie Fundraiser for Way of the Cross: 6:30 p.m. Thursday 10 April 2025 at Bendigo Cinemas 'The Last Supper' (Season 5, Episode 1 of 'The Chosen') is coming to the big screen. Want to know more? Use the QR Code to follow on insta or FB.





## Wodonga 12th & 13th April

**Sacred Heart Church Cleaning:** Volunteers

**Sacred Heart Sacristy:** volunteers

### Lectors/Altar Servers

#### **5:00pm**

Altar Server: Volunteer  
Lector 1: Meryl Brown  
Lector 2: Juliana Vaughan

#### **8:30am**

Altar Server: Volunteer  
Lector 1: Michael Iverson  
Lector 2: Tekautia Tavaomali

#### **10:30am**

Altar Server: Volunteer  
Lector 1: Joe Maccioni  
Lector 2: Jean Tabra

### Eucharistic Ministers

**5:00pm:** Ioni, David & Helen

**8:30am:** Mark, Pat & Anne T

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

### Counters

**This Week: TEAM 7:** Matt & Sally Ley, Peter Murray

**Next Week: TEAM 8:** Ross Black, David & Helen Gill, Frank Watson

## Mt Beauty - 20th April

**Lector:** Jenny  
**Back Up:** Peter  
**Commentator:** Gail  
**PowerPoint:** Eileen C

## Dederang - 6th April

**First / Second Reading:** Judy  
**Welcome/Psalm/PoF:** Alanna  
**PowerPoint:** Harrison

## Gospel John 8:1-11

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives.

At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him,  
he sat down and began to teach them.

The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery;  
and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus,  
'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery,  
and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning.  
What have you to say?'

They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him.

But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger.

As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said,

'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.'

Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again.

When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest,  
until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there.

He looked up and said,

'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?'

'No one, sir,' she replied.

'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and don't sin any more.'

### Readings this week

Isaiah 43:16-21  
Philippians 3:8-14  
John 8:1-11

### Reading next week:

Luke 19:28-40 (Entrance)  
Isaiah 50 50:4-7  
Philippians 2:6-11  
Luke 22:14-23:56

### Entrance Antiphon:

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation  
that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for  
you, O God, are my strength.

### Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy

### Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! With all  
your heart turn to me, for I am tender and compassionate.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory

### Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.



## WHAT'S NEXT?

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION THURSDAYS  
DURING LENT ST AUGUSTINE'S - WOD**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS: FRIDAYS  
DURING LENT SACRED HEART - WOD**

**BAPTISM PREPARATION  
1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH**

**WCP PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL  
1ST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH**

**WCP WELCOMING CUPPA  
1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH**

**ST VINNIE'S COLLECTION  
1ST WEEKEND OF EACH MONTH**

**VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY MASS  
THE 2ND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH**

**THE EL-SHADDAI CHARISMATIC MASS  
THE 3RD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH**

**CCR PRAYER GROUP MEET  
WEDNESDAY'S - FORTNIGHTLY**

**WCP PARISH FINANCE TEAM MEET  
4TH FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH**

**SYRO-MALABAR RITE MASS  
2ND & 4TH SAT  
OF THE MONTH-7PM SHC WOD**

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM BEGINS  
1ST RECONCILIATION  
PARENTS FORMATION MAY 6/8  
RECEPTION OF SACRAMENT JUNE 17/19**

### Looking at the Readings

The Gospel today begins at the Mount of Olives. This place is mentioned eleven times in the Gospels, often as a place where Jesus prayed alone or sometimes with a few disciples. At the beginning of Lent, Jesus taught us to pray (Ash Wednesday, Tuesday, first week of Lent). After prayer Jesus went to the Temple to teach.

We heard that the scribes and pharisees wanted to trap Jesus. They must have been waiting at the temple, knowing he would come that way. They were ready with the accused and their tricky question. It was a three way trap: If he were to say, let her go he would go against the Law. If he were to say let her receive the prescribed punishment he showed no mercy and guilt of a crime. And thirdly, either response would have discredited him before the people. Commentators also add that stoning to death, despite several scenes in popular movies, was not practiced in that era, it was against Roman law.

Jesus, after dispelling the accusers, is moved to compassion. And confronted by Jesus' compassion, the woman is in a somewhat quandary. This passage ends abruptly just like the parable last week. Did the older brother, urged by his father, go to the party? Did the women take to heart the mercy of God and amend her life? What are our attitudes to those who do wrong? The sudden endings leave us to ponder what would be our response to God's reaching out to us in mercy. We may be moved to hear more the words of Jesus in the Gospel and to prayer and celebrate the sacraments of reconciliation and Eucharist

### Liturgical Jottings-Lenten Prayer 5

It is truly right and just for us to exalt you, the all-powerful Father and offer you our song of thanks and praise.

In your kindness

you absolve the repentant,

you restore to your friendship the sinner who seeks your forgiveness.

You curb the punishment

due for guilt and with great mercy

you bestow the gift of eternal life.

And so, with the choirs of angels we join our voice to glorify your name.

*Source: Ambrosian Rite, Preface for Lent, Thursday week 2*

### Lenten Prayer 6

Gracious Father, help us to carry the image of Jesus standing beside the woman, reminding us that in our moments of fear and shame you are there recognising our frailty. May we strive to replace our stones with compassion, extending grace to ourselves and those around us and to seek always your light. Amen.

*Source: Diocese of Wollongong.*





# The Catholic Parishes of Wodonga, Tallangatta & Corryong

## Holy Week & Easter Mass Times 2025

### Palm Sunday 13 April

Blessings of the palms at all Masses this weekend

### Chrism Mass 15 April

11:00 am Tuesday: Sacred Heart Cathedral Bendigo

### Reconciliation 16 April

6:00 pm Wednesday: Sacred Heart Church. Wodonga

### Holy Thursday 17 April

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
6:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper - Sacred Heart Church	Corryong
6:00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper - St Michaels Church	Tallangatta
9:00 pm	<i>Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga, will remain open until 9:00pm</i>	

### Good Friday 18 April

9:00 am	Stations of the Cross - St Francis of Assisi Primary School	Baranduda
12:00 pm	Ecumenical Stations of the Cross - Followed by Reconciliation	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
3:00 pm	Liturgy - The Lord's Passion - Sacred Heart Church	Corryong
3:00 pm	Liturgy - the Lords Passion - St Joseph's Church	Mt Beauty
4:00 pm	Reconciliation - St Joseph's Church	Mt Beauty
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Reconciliation - Sacred Heart Church	Corryong
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Reconciliation - Sacred Heart Church	Wodonga

### Holy Saturday Vigil 19 April

9:00 am until 10:00 am	Reconciliation - Sacred Heart Church	Wodonga
6:00 pm	Easter Vigil - Sacred Heart Church	Corryong
6:00 pm	Easter Vigil - St Michael's Church	Tallangatta
7:00 pm	Easter Vigil - Sacred Heart Church	Wodonga

### Easter Sunday 20 April

6:00 am Sunrise Service	Easter Sunday Mass	Ebden Reserve
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
9:00 am	St Michael's Church	Tallangatta
10:30 am	Our Lady Help of Christians	Tangambalanga
10:30 am	St Joseph's Church	Dederang
11:00 am	St Michael's Church	Sandy Creek





## ST. MARY'S SYRO-MALABAR MISSION- **WODONGA**

Sacred Heart Church  
285 Beechworth Road Wodonga VIC 3690  
**(EPARCHY OF MELBOURNE)**

### **LANTERN PROGRAMMES AND HOLY WEEK CLEBRATIONS 2025**

**09 & 10 April – Wednesday & Thursday – Mission Annual Retreat:**

**Wednesday : 4:00 pm to 9:30 pm**

**Thursday : 4:00 pm to 9:30 pm**

***Preached by* Rev. Fr. Shijo Kumminiyil CSsR**

**13 April - Palm Sunday Celebration 7:30 AM in St Augustine's Church**

**16 April - Wednesday: Holy Thursday Celebrations 4:30 pm**

**18 April - Good Friday Celebrations 9.00 am at Marian Hills, LOT 8 Hume Hwy,  
Kyeamba NSW 2650, Australia,**

**20 April **Easter Sunday** Celebrations 5:30 AM  
(blessing of Candles and new Water)**

#### **Lenten House Blessings**

**08 Mar – Saturday : 11:30 am to 3: 00 pm**

**29 Mar – Saturday : 11:30 am to 5: 30 pm**

**09 Apr – Wednesday : 11:30 am to 3:00 pm**

**10 Apr – Thursday : 08:30 am to 3: 00 pm**

**NB: 05 July – Mission Day & Sunday school Annual Day Celebration 4:30 PM  
MAIN CELEBRANT: Bishop John Panamthottathil**



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SACRED HEART • ST AUGUSTINE • ST JOSEPH • OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS • ST MICHAEL • CHRIST THE KING

Mount Beauty | Dederang | Tangambalanga | Walwa | Sandy Creek | Mitta Mitta

# 2025



## Sacramental Program (Sacrament of Reconciliation)

Preparation for children in Year 3 or older,  
who are of the Catholic faith, begins in May!

### IMPORTANT DATES

Parents' Formation

**6/8 May 2025**

Reception of Sacrament

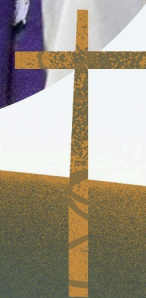
**17/19 June 2025**

**ENROL NOW!**

Deadline: 22 April 2025



First Reconciliation



**A Safe Parish Is a Shared Responsibility**

Our Parish Safety Officer is

Sonia La Motte-Schubert Ph: 60243366:

**Towards Healing helpline Ph: 1800 816 030** (free call)

**Lifeline** is a non-profit Organisation **FREE 24-hour Crisis Support Ph: 13 11 14**



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# Indulge Responsibly



Treat yourself with responsibly sourced chocolate this Easter, supporting brands committed to eliminating slavery from their supply chain.

## Learn the truth

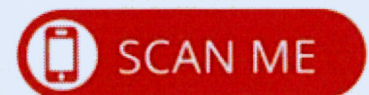
A significant portion of chocolate available in Australia is produced using cocoa beans harvested by child labourers, many of whom endure enslavement and exploitative working conditions.

Indulge responsibly, select ethically sourced chocolate, and support companies working towards eliminating slavery from their supply chain this Easter.

### Here is how:

1. Join the one billion people who read the Be Slavery Free Chocolate Scorecard (<https://www.chocolatescorecard.com/>) last year to discover their chocolate's true origins and evaluate their favourite brands' ethical practices.
2. Seek out the Fairtrade and Rainforest Alliance certifications on chocolate packaging.

Note these certification seals mean the certified ingredient was produced using methods that support social, economic, and environmental sustainability.



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Take action and  
make a difference today!