

**WODONGA CATHOLIC PARISH****CENTRE:**

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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

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****SACRED HEART * ST AUGUSTINE'S * ST JOSEPH'S * OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS * ST MICHAEL'S * CHRIST THE KING****WODONGA | TANGAMBALLANGA | DEDERANG | MT BEAUTY | TALLANGATTA | CORRYONG | WALWA | SANDY CREEK | MITTA MITTA**

Catholic Parishes Of

Corryong-Tallangatta-Wodonga

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

20-APRIL-2025**EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD YR C****Pope Francis Easter Message**

I appeal to all who have political responsibilities to spare no efforts in combatting the scourge of human trafficking, by working tirelessly to dismantle the networks of exploitation and to bring freedom to those who are their victims. May the Lord comfort their families, above all those who anxiously await news of their loved ones, and ensure them comfort and hope. May the light of the resurrection illumine our minds and convert our hearts, and make us aware of the value of every human life, which must be welcomed, protected and loved. A happy Easter to all!

~Concluding paragraph of "Urbi et Orbi", Sunday, 31 March 2024

Looking at the Readings

The first reading, as most first readings in Eastertide, is from the Acts of the Apostles. Today's passage is often called "Peter's Credo". In talking to Cornelius, Peter makes many statements of fact and faith about Jesus Christ's life and ministry, his passion, death and resurrection, his mandate to preach his Word and forgive sins. Sounds very much like a basic form of the Apostles Creed we recite on Sundays. Rufinus (345-415) an early Christian writer gave a commentary on the Creed, attesting that the Apostles before they dispersed to various corners of the world wanted a statement of belief so to have a common reference point for their teaching.

St Paul, on the other hand gives Christians a "Catechesis" on the resurrection, that is, a teaching on what the resurrection means in our own lives. Either letter, 1 Corinthians or Colossians, in three or four verses St Paul instructs his people to "Live the Resurrection" in action and in celebration. He presents a great example of a form of religious education. We see a lot of symbols and events surrounding Easter: washing feet, unveiling the cross, the Easter fire and the Easter water. Like the Apostles reaching the empty tomb, we must go beyond what we see to grasp what is signified in them all. Jesus Christ, the Lord, has risen from the dead. The Resurrection becomes a blessing for all believers, every man and woman, every girl and boy and all creation. We then say: "we saw and we believed," and we then proclaim and live the new life!

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





Recent Deaths

Sister Kathleen Slattery, Marie Walsh.

Anniversaries:

Jim Mooney, John Kelly, Paul McGowan, Annie (Sno) Casey, Anna Lobos, Ted Horne, Christine Ryan, Keith Matin, John Crothers, Patricia Henson, Maria Fairman, Josie Grujcic, Bernie Mervin, Sergio Lobos.

Those Who are Unwell:

Pope Francis, Anne Magginito, Colin La Motte, Michael Rooney, David Evans, Ricky Ellul, Barbara Smith, Karen Ward, Donald Ward, 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. OR Ph: 0260243366.

Due to privacy laws we are unable to place names in the bulletin unless requested by a relative.

Welcome & Congratulations

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

Baptism Preparation:

Our next preparation / information evening is **Tuesday May 6th** 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.

Baptisms of Older Children

Children aged 7+over who wish to be baptised and parents who wish these children to prepare for baptism are invited to enrol in a short preparation program offered by the Wodonga Catholic Parish. The Rites of Christian Initiation of Children of Catechetical Age (RCIC) involves a process of participation in the church liturgies and formation in the faith appropriate to their age.

Please contact the Parish Centre by phone: 60243366 or email: wodcath@bigpond.net.au or speak with one of the priests.

Sandhurst Youth Ministry

Use the QR Code to follow on insta or FB to follow Sandhurst Youth Ministry.



Fifteenth Anniversary

Father John Paul is celebrating the 15th anniversary of his priestly ordination on Tuesday, April 22nd. He has requested our prayers for this special occasion.

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 E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au.

CCR Prayer Group

The CCR Micah Prayer Group gathers every second Wednesday at Sacred Heart Church in Wodonga. Join us for a cup of tea at 6:45pm, followed by our meeting from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Our next meeting is on April 30th. Everyone is welcome!

Sandpiper

Do you have local news or an event you'd like featured in the diocesan newspaper? Reach out to the editor, Katrina, Phone: 0419 015 696 or via email Katrina.strong@sandhurst.catholic.org.au.

Vietnamese Community Mass

Our Vietnamese Community gathers to celebrate Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Wodonga on the second Sunday of every month at 4 PM. Everyone is invited to join us for a lively and spiritually enriching experience that reflects the diverse cultural fabric of our parish. This is a fantastic opportunity to connect with fellow parishioners, partake in communal worship, and immerse yourself in the unique traditions of the Vietnamese liturgy.

Wodonga 26th & 27th April

Sacred Heart Church Cleaning: Volunteers

Sacred Heart Sacristy: Volunteers

Lectors/Altar Servers

5:00pm

Altar Server: Volunteer
Lector 1: Christina Dinh
Lector 2: David Gill

8:30am

Altar Server: Volunteer
Lector 1: Barry Jackson
Lector 2: Anne Tremethick

10:30am

Altar Server: Volunteer
Lector 1: Gerard Moore
Lector 2: Nina Uy

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00pm: Mick, Clive & Mavis

8:30am: Dave, Erris & Anne K

10:30am: Jenny, Jean & Bronwyn

Counters

This Week: TEAM 9: Gerard Peeters & Thomas Zerafa

Next Week: TEAM 10: John Dunstan, Mavis Hyndman & Gloria Humpage

Mt Beauty - 4th May

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

Dederang - 4th May

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

John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb.

She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved.

'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb.

They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in.

Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself.

Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed.

Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead

Readings this week

Acts 10:34,37-43
Colossian 3:1-4 or
1Corinthians 5:6-8
John 20:1-9

Entrance Antiphon:

I have risen, and am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia

Responsorial Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Reading next week:

Acts 5:12-16
Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19
John 20:19-31

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.

Volunteering in Our Parish

Do you know what your responsibilities are as a volunteer in our Parish?

If not, please reach out to Sonni, our Parish Safeguarding representative, for any information you may need: Phone: 060243366 or Email: wodcath@bigpond.net.au.

If you have any questions or concerns about safety within our Parish, feel free to ask our office manager or consult the Reporting Process Poster displayed in our Church.

WODONGA CATHOLIC PARISH AT RISK PERSONS & CHILD SAFETY REPORTING PROCESS



Liturgical Jotting ~ Names of Easter

The English Liturgical books name this day as Easter Sunday. Easter derives from Old German goddess of the dawn, Eastre, whose festival occurs on the vernal equinox in late March in the northern hemisphere. The German name is similarly Ostern. Most European languages use a form of the Hebrew "Pesach" meaning Passover, eg Latin Pascha; Dutch Pasen; French Pâques; Italian Pasqua; Russian Paskha; Spanish Pascua, Welsh Pasg. East Europeans Bulgarian, Polish, Czech and Slovak names translate as the Grand Day or Night. Easter names in Serbian (Uskrs or Vaskrs) and in Japanese (Fukkatsu-sai) simply translate as The Resurrection.

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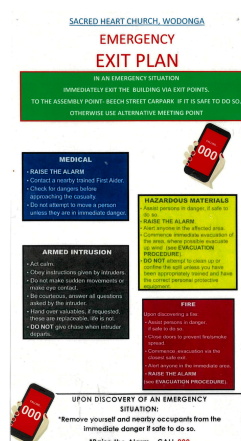
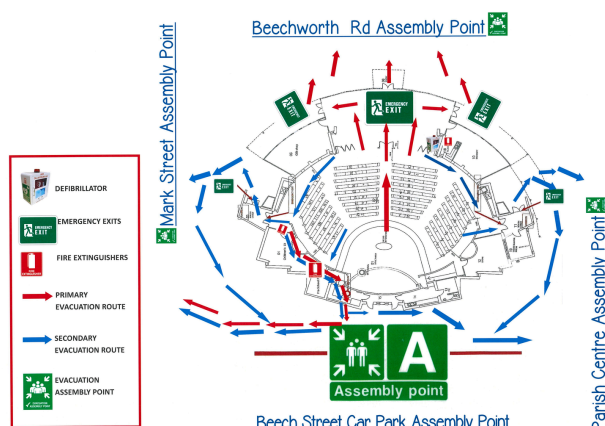
Easter Triduum Prayer Leaflets:

Please find copies of the 2025 Easter Triduum Prayer Leaflets in the foyer of your church

Or you may access the Leaflet on our website. Just hit the link to access

THE 2025 EASTER TRIDUUM PRAYER LEAFLET

<https://wodongacatholicparish.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/7.-Week-Seven-Lent-2025.pdf>



Safety & Exit Procedures for Sacred Heart Church Wodonga

Are you aware of our safety & exit plans? Please take a moment to check the notice boards in our church, where you will find a map outlining the safety exit procedures.



WHAT'S NEXT?



PROJECT COMPASSION

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

BOLGA COURT AGED CARE
TALLANGATTA, MASS
1ST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

ALL WELCOME!
VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY MASS
THE 2ND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

CCR PRAYER GROUP MEET
WEDNESDAY'S - FORTNIGHTLY

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

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

WCP PARISH FINANCE TEAM MEET
4TH FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

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

Happy Easter from all of us here at Caritas Australia!

As we celebrate this season of hope and renewal, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude for your support through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion this Lent.

As we reflect on the Easter message of love, compassion, and new beginnings, we are reminded of the incredible impact your contributions make. Together, we are building a world where no one is left behind.

Thank you for standing with us, as we Unite Against Poverty through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2025 Lenten appeal.

It's not too late to donate.

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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: caritas.org.au/project-compassion Or by calling: 1800 024 413

Please use your parish QR code to make your donation to Project Compassion



Corryong

UNITE AGAINST POVERTY
this Lent



Tallangatta

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Wodonga

Easter Mass Times **Catholic Parishes** **Of** **Corryong-Tallangatta-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

Easter Prayer to Mary (Regina Caeli)

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

The Son whom you merited to bear, alleluia
has risen as he said, alleluia.

Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray. O God, who have been pleased to gladden the world by the Resurrection of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, grant, we pray, that through his Mother, the Virgin Mary, we may receive the joys of everlasting life.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

20-APRIL-2025

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CATHOLIC PARISHES OF WODONGA, TALLANGATTA AND CORRYONG

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

ANZAC DAY

April 25th

*They shall grow not old
As we that are left grow old
Age shall not weary them
Not the years condemn
At the going down of the sun,
and in the morning
We will remember them
Lest we forget*



Lest We Forget

....The First Anzac Day

In 1916 the first Anzac Day commemorations were held on 25 April. The day was marked by a wide variety of ceremonies and services across Australia, a march through London, and a sports day in the Australian camp in Egypt. In London more than 2,000 Australian and New Zealand troops marched through the streets; a London newspaper headline dubbed them "The Knights of Gallipoli". Marches were held all over Australia; in the Sydney march convoys of cars carried soldiers wounded on Gallipoli and their nurses. For the remaining years of the war Anzac Day was used as an occasion for patriotic rallies and recruiting campaigns, and parades of serving members of the AIF were held in most cities.

...Why is this day special to Australians?

When war broke out in 1914 Australia had been a federated nation for only 13 years, and its government was eager to establish a reputation among the nations of the world. When Britain declared war in August 1914 Australia was automatically placed on the side of the Commonwealth. In 1915 Australian and New Zealand soldiers formed part of the expedition that set out to capture the Gallipoli peninsula in order to open the Dardanelles to the allied navies. The ultimate objective was to capture Constantinople (now Istanbul), the capital of the Ottoman Empire, an ally of Germany. The Australian and New Zealand forces landed on Gallipoli on 25 April, meeting fierce resistance from the Ottoman Turkish defenders. What had been planned as a bold stroke to knock Turkey out of the war quickly became a stalemate, and the campaign dragged on for eight months.

At the end of 1915 the allied forces were evacuated from the peninsula, with both sides having suffered heavy casualties and endured great hardships. More than 8,000 Australian soldiers had died in the campaign. Gallipoli had a profound impact on Australians at home, and 25 April soon became the day on which Australians remembered the sacrifice of those who died in the war. Although the Gallipoli campaign failed in its military objectives, the actions of Australian and New Zealand forces during the campaign left a powerful legacy. What became known as the "Anzac legend" became an important part of the identity of both nations, shaping the ways in which they viewed both their past and their future.

...What it means today

Anzac Day, 25 April, is one of Australia's most important national occasions. It marks the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War. ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. The soldiers in those forces quickly became known as Anzacs, and the pride they took in that name endures to this day. Australians recognise 25 April as a day of National Remembrance, which takes two forms. Commemorative services are held across the nation at dawn – the time of the original landing, while later in the day, former servicemen and service-women meet to take part in marches through the country's major cities and in many smaller centres. Commemorative ceremonies are more formal, and are held at war memorials around the country. In these ways, Anzac Day is a time at which Australians reflect on the many different meanings of war.



**RSL
WODONGA**

ANZAC DAY IN WODONGA:

Dawn Service commences: 5:45am Woodland Grove, Wodonga.

Morning March: Form up at Wodonga RSL 10:15am: Step off 10:30am.

Morning Service Commences: 11:00am Woodland Grove Wodonga.

Th Wodonga RSL invite you to come together at the RSL Reid St Wodonga for a Gunfire Breakfast, and Live Entertainment.

Coffee and Food Vans, Jumping Castles.

Traditional TWO-UP from 6:30am

