



Catholic Parishes Of Corryong-Tallangatta-Wodonga

SACRED HEART * ST AUGUSTINE'S * ST JOSEPH'S * OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS * ST MICHAEL'S * CHRIST THE KING

WODONGA | TANGAMBALANGA | DEDERANG | MT BEAUTY | TALLANGATTA | CORRYONG | WALWA | SANDY CREEK | MITTA MITTA

WODONGA CATHOLIC PARISH CENTRE:

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9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

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WEEKEND MASSES:

WODONGA: SACRED HEART CHURCH

SATURDAY @ 5:00 PM.

SUNDAY @ 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

WODONGA: ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH

SATURDAY @ 9:15 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

WODONGA

SACRED HEART CHURCH

SYRO-MALABAR MASS 6:30 PM

2ND & 4TH SATURDAYS:

WEEKDAY MASS:

WODONGA

ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH

MONDAY @ 9:15 AM

SACRED HEART CHURCH

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY @ 9:15 AM

RECONCILIATION:

WODONGA

ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH,

SATURDAY @ 8:45 AM TO 9:10 AM

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

03-August-2025

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Mary of the Cross :

Wodonga Catholic Parish Celebrates St Mary of the Cross Solemnity with Mass on **Friday 8 August at 9:15am and 6:00pm**-Sacred Heart Church.

Tallangatta Parishioner:

St Michael's Tallangatta will celebrate with Mass at 12:45pm

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IN ORDINARY TIME



Blessed Virgin Mary Solemnity:

We will also celebrate the Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary Solemnity with Mass on **Friday August 15th @ 9:15am and 6:00pm**. Saced Heart Church, Wodonga.

Looking at the Readings

Normally during the Season of Ordinary Time the first reading and the Gospel are connected thematically. This is most evident today with the sage in Ecclesiastes classifying our efforts and cares as vanity and the Parable of Jesus on the rich farmer consumed by pride and foolishness. But Jesus in other parables commends the labourer, vineyard owner, the merchant for their work, enterprise, social justice. We must see in our lives times for discernment of priorities, industriousness and perception of what is important and necessary.

The second reading is not intentionally connected to the first reading and the Gospel, often providing a semi-continuous reading of the Letters from the New Testament. Today we continue with the reading of the Letter of St Paul to the Colossians (Sundays: 15th to 18th). Yet there is a connection with the other readings, not in parallel but in contradiction. While the first reading warns of vanity and the Gospel of avarice and foolishness, this excerpt from Colossian presents a counterbalance to their negativity. It speaks of hope and virtue awarded by our baptism into the risen life of Christ. The old vices are thrown off to bring in a new way of life through the love and mercy of God.



Quote of the Week:

"Whatever troubles may be before you, accept them bravely; remembering whom you re trying to follow. Do not be afraid. Love one another, bear with one another, and let charity guide you all your life. God will reward you as only He can".

~ St Mary of the Cross Mackillop

Recent Deaths

Ana Boros.

Anniversaries:

Klara Schamertzki, Heidi Watz-Petrovic, Peter Bluck, Frank & Ilma McDonald, Ron McGrath, Lucy Kelly, John Canty, Barry Nolan, Olga McFarland, Judy Ellery, Ben Kelly, Mary Kelly, Margaret Phillips.

Those Who are Unwell:

Peter Murray, Gwyn McCall, Ana Palhares, Janet Griffiths, Wil McInnes, David Evans, Anne Magginito, Eloise Hill, John Hodson, Geoffrey Halford, Rosanna Jackson, Salome Ramirez, Genevieve Govers, Kerstin Lancaster, Robert Anderson, 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.



Wodonga Parishioners: Welcoming Cuppa This Weekend



We invite you to join us **AFTER ALL MASSES THIS weekend**
for a cup of tea or coffee and some friendly conversation.

The Welcoming Cuppa provide a wonderful opportunity to connect
and socialise with both familiar faces and newcomers to our parish.

This is also a wonderful opportunity to get to know our clergy while enjoying a light snack.

A plate to share would be appreciated.

**We Welcome St Monicas Primary School Community who will be hosting the morning tea
after the 8:30am Mass**

A Card for Bishop Shane McKinlay

Wodonga Parishioners: In the foyer of Sacred Heart Church, there is a card that we will be sending to Bishop Shane on behalf of our community. Feel free to write a message and sign the card. Your contribution is warmly welcomed!

Baptism Preparation Evening:

Our next preparation / information evening is THIS Tuesday August 5th at 7:00 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.

Mass of Anointing, Wodonga



The Mass of Anointing for will take place on **Thursday 14 August** at Sacred Heart Church Wodonga 1.30 pm Refreshments to follow. **All Welcome.**

For further information contact
Des Lonergan Ph:0408575825.

The Rosary

Wodonga Parishioners : FYI please join us for The Rosary prior to morning Mass Tuesday to Friday @ Sacred Heart Catholic Church.



St Vincent de Paul:

A collection for the Local branch of St Vincent de Paul, will be taken up at all Masses in Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga this weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

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.



Wodonga 9th & 10th August

Sacred Heart Church Cleaning: Volunteers

Sacred Heart Sacristy: Mary Harkness & Jennifer Flower

Lectors/Altar Servers

5:00pm

Altar Server: Volunteer
Lector 1: David Gill
Lector 2: Meryl Brown

8:30am

Altar Server: Volunteer
Lector 1: Marg Pallot
Lector 2: Michael Iverson

10:30am

Altar Server: Volunteer
Lector 1: Jenny Sinnott
Lector 2: Josh Jaculbia

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00pm: Ioni, Mick & Clive

8:30am: Pat, Anne T & Anne K

10:30am: Jacinta, Bronwyn & Nina

Counters

This Week: TEAM 4: Margo Dare, Pauline Acott & Kath Didier.

Next Week: TEAM 5: Margo Keat, Marion Fitzpatrick.

Mt Beauty -17th August

Lector: Mary-Anne
Back Up: Jenny
Commentator: Peter
PowerPoint: Gail

Dederang - 7th September

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

Luke 12:13-21

A man in the crowd said to Jesus,

'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.'

'My friend,' he replied 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?'

Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind,
for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable:

'There was once a rich man who, having a good harvest from his land, thought to himself,

"What am I to, do? I have not enough room to store my crops."

Then he said,

"This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones,
and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say, to my soul:
'My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come;
take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time.'"

But God said to him,

"Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours,
whose will it be then?"

So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich
in the sight of God.'

Readings this week

Ecclesiastes 1:2,2:21-23
Colossians 3:1-5,9-11
Luke 12:13-21

Entrance Antiphon:

O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

Responsorial Psalm:

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Reading next week:

Wisdom 18:6-9
Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19
Luke 12:32-48

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer

Greetings from Fr John Paul.

I hope you are doing well and in good spirits. I am pleased to let you know that I am doing well myself, and my CPE course is almost two months completed now. It has been a meaningful and enriching experience so far. I kindly ask that you keep me in your prayers as I continue this journey, facing both its challenges and opportunities for growth. Your support and prayers mean a lot to me. Wishing you good health and blessings always. Thank you, God bless

Fr JP



Liturgical Jottings

Liturgical Hospitality III

Liturgical Hospitality is important.

It reflects the nature of God:

Hospitality is a divine attribute, reflecting God's unconditional love and acceptance.

It enhances liturgical participation:

When people feel welcome and comfortable, they are more likely to engage with the liturgy and experience its transformative power.

It builds community:

Hospitality fosters a sense of belonging and connection that strengthens the bonds between members of the faith community.

It witnesses to the world:

A welcoming and inclusive parish can be a powerful witness to the love and compassion of Christ.

It reflects Christ's ministry:

Christ invites us to share meals: he received from and gave hospitality to many: Martha and Mary, Simon, Zacchaeus and at Emmaus. He invites us to the wedding banquet in the heavenly kingdom and to celebrate in his memory the Last Supper.



A Blessing:

Through the example of Saint Mary of the Cross,

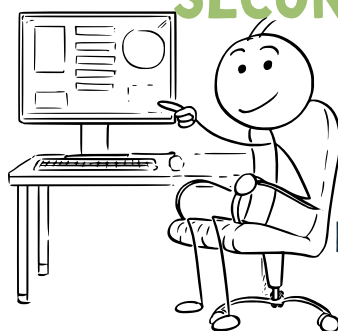
May you learn to recognise God's will for you and trust in his providence.

May her life of service awaken in you a deep respect for the poor and a strong will for justice.

May you share in her courage, see with her eyes of Christian love and learn from her holy deeds.

Amen.

SECOND SCAM SEMINAR



**FACILITATED BY WODONGA
POLICE**

The Wodonga Police are conducting a second seminar focused on scams. This event will be held in the Woodcrafter workshop at the Wodonga Racecourse on **Tuesday, August 12th, beginning at 7:00 PM.**



prior to the commencement of the presentation @ 6:30 PM, pizzas will be served for a minimal cost.



Please RSVP to John Coleman for catering purposes: Phone: 0401 555 160



We are committed to the
**NATIONAL CATHOLIC
SAFEGUARDING STANDARDS**

Towards Healing helpline Free Call Ph: 1800 816 030.

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

If you have any concerns, please phone 60243366

or

E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au.

or

Refer to or Reporting Process Poster displayed

IMPORTANT Attention Wodonga Parishioners:

When accessing the Parish Centre Office after hours, please fill out the sign-in booklet located on the table in the entrance hall. Thank you for your cooperation.

Volunteering in Our Parish

Do you know your responsibilities 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.

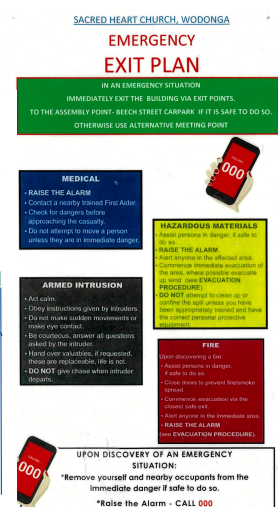
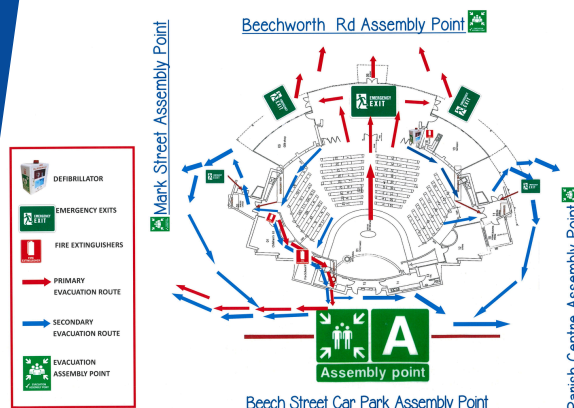
If you have any questions or concerns about safety within our Parish, feel free to speak with Sonni or refer to the Reporting Process Poster displayed in our Churches.

WODONGA CATHOLIC PARISH AT RISK PERSONS & CHILD SAFETY REPORTING PROCESS



Safety Exit Procedures of 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 and other important safeguarding information.



Did you know you can request our Bulletin via email?

You can also view the latest and previous Bulletins on FaceBook or our website. Please go to our FaceBook page WCP FB Page or our website. www.wodongacatholicparish.com.au



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OPEN YOUR HEART

Foster Care, Respite, Spreading the word
information session

Wodonga Catholic Parish
invites you to an information
session.

WHEN:

Wednesday, August 20th
@ 7pm

WHERE:

**The Foyer of Sacred Heart
Catholic Church, Wodonga.**

**We invite you to join us.
Come and discover what's
happening in your
community.**

**Our goal is to raise awareness and address any questions you may have.
We encourage members of our Parish to consider how they might contribute,
whether through fostering, respite care, or simply helping to spread the word.**

**Even if you feel you can't offer guidance and support to a
young person in need; we invite you to join us.
Come and discover what's happening in your community.**

**Parish communities have
traditionally played a
significant role in nurturing and
supporting families.**



***There is an increasing need for foster carers
in our area, as many children are being placed
far from their homes, schools, and
communities due to a lack of local carers.
This separation can be profoundly distressing
for children, particularly during such a
vulnerable phase in their lives.***



Pope Leo XIV encourages us, “one and all, to build bridges through dialogue and encounter, joining together as one people, always at peace”.

Caritas Australia invites us to pray for the people of Gaza.

Our Prayer

God of light, You meet us in the darkest places.

Every year, when we light our Easter candle, we pray ‘may the light of Christ, rising in glory, dispel the darkness of our minds and hearts.’

We pray today that all people may work with you to dispel the darkness of violence and war.

May this fragile light be a sign of our hope for the people of Gaza.

May they find healing and lasting peace.

Amen.



Wodonga Catholic Parish Parish Pastoral Council ★ Nominations Now Open ★

The Pastoral Council is made up of everyday parishioners. Together with our Priests, the council helps listen to the needs of the parish and offer thoughtful advice to help our community grow in faith, love and service.

Your voice, your presence — they matter.

Let’s continue building a parish where all are welcome and everyone belongs, with gratitude and hope.

Do you know someone with a heart for service, a love for our faith community, and a vision for the future of our parish?

We invite YOU to nominate a fellow parishioner—or yourself—who: is willing to collaborate with clergy and parishioners.

This is a unique opportunity to make a lasting impact on our parish’s growth and spiritual vitality.

Nominations forms are now open E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au
click the link [2025 PPC NOMINATION FORM](#)

to download a nomination form. By Friday 29/08/2025

Nomination forms are also available in the foyer of your church.



Pray. Discern. Nominate. Lead

1st WEEK END
WCP - SHC
Welcoming Cuppa

1st WEEK END
WCP - SHC
St Vinnie’s Collection

1st TUE
WCP Baptism Preparation

1st WED
TALLANGATTA
Bolga Court Aged Care MASS

1st WED
WCP
Parish Pastoral Council

1st WED
WCP
Parish Safeguarding Team

2nd SUN
WCP - SHC
Vietnamese Community Mass
ALL WELCOMED

2nd & 4th SAT
WCP - SHC
Syro-Malabar Rite Mass

3rd Sat
WCP -SHC
Youth Led Mass
All Welcome

EACH FORT NIGHT
CCR Prayer Group
Wednesday’s

4th FRI
WCP
Finance Team

TBA
WCP
Parish EarthCare Team

ST. AUGUSTINE'S ART SHOW 2025

22-23 AUGUST

St Augustine's Primary School
Osburn Street (Church Street entry)
Wodonga



2024 'The Days of a Knight' by Danielle Dakin



\$40
TICKETS
(early bird)

OPENING NIGHT:
Enjoy drinks, delicious
bites, live entertainment
and great company.

Friday 22 August
7pm to 10.30pm

\$40 at the office, or \$40 plus online fee. \$45 at the door.
Early bird closes Wednesday 20 August.

Open to public: Saturday 23 August - 10am to 3pm

For enquiries email: staugartshow@gmail.com

St Augustine's Art Show



St Augustine's Primary School Wodonga Art show

For enquires

E: staugartshow@gmail.com

Or use the QR code below



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the work we do.

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