WELCOME

VISION The wyong Catholic Parish is a welcoming, caring dynamic community MISSION STATEMENT We will live and proclaim the message of the Gospel : Engage, Participate, Reach out and Transform

11TH JUNE 2023 THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

WYONG CATHOLIC PARISH ST CECILIA'S CHURCH, ST JOHN FISHER MASS CTR & ST PETER'S CHAPEL Under the Pastoral Care of the Society of Our Lady of The Most Holy Trinity (SOLT)



Reflection 11.6.2023 The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

Reproduced from God's Word 2023: Daily Reflections, published by St Pauls Publications, Strathfield Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. All of us want to live a long life; that's why we exercise, eat well, seek medical treatment when we are not well. Jesus desires that we live forever. He is not talking about living forever here on earth. Instead, he is concerned with our eternal life. As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, he reminds us that it is only in him that we can live forever: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, whoever eats this bread will live forever.' Jesus' body and blood is the food and drink that sustains us in our journey to eternal life. We cannot make this journey on our own, we need to receive the life of Jesus. However, as we know, the Eucharist is not only nourishment for us; in the words of St Augustine, 'we are to become what we receive', the Body of Christ. May we give of ourselves just as Jesus gave of himself so that others may come to know and experience the life and love that only Jesus can provide.

Clergy Conference—12th to 16th June

Changes to Weekday Masses St Cecilia's Church

Weekday Masses Monday 12th June 8am and Friday 16th June 9am (Feast of the Sacred Heart)

St John Fisher NO Masses during this week.

Any Parishioner unable to walk forward to receive Holy Communion,

please notify the Eucharistic Minister before Mass or place the 'yellow band' on the pew (located back of Church). Thank you

All Welcome! Parish Brunch

Monday 19th June 11am Parish Hall/Verandah 23 Byron Street Wyong. Please RSVP Parish Office 4352 1011 Kerry 4388 2938 or Jo 0424 763 734

Fundraising Stall for Pastoral Works Appeal

A huge thank you to **Rae and all parishioners and helpers** who supported this stall. A total of \$500 was raised. Also donations that were sold online amounted to \$500. In total \$1000 was raised. A tremendous effort!!

Liturgical Training – 24 June

For all parishioners who have volunteered to be a Senior Server, Extraordinary Minister and/or Lector there will be training at St Cecilia's Church, Wyong on **Saturday, 24 June** commencing at 9:00 am.

This training is for all volunteers, **both old and new**, to ensure the same

presentation is in use at all Masses in both Churches. Father Robert Borg Parish Priest of The Lakes Parish will be giving the presentation.

Please mark the date in your calendar, as your attendance is very important.

Sacrament of Confirmation

We ask you to please continue to pray for the children in our Parish who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. We welcome them and their families to our weekend Masses over the coming weeks.



We pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to grow in their hearts.

SVDP Winter Appeal 10th & 11th June

This appeal is being held this weekend.. As well as cash donations, we are also seeking

- warm clothing
- linen
- blankets in good condition
- Non perishable food items, such as tinned vegetables, soups, pasta and sauces.

Goods can be left in the wishing well at the Church. All cash donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible. Please use the envelopes in the Church.

May God continue to bless you for the support you always give to those in need.

CALL TO A LIFE OF DISCIPLESHIP #2

In preparing the Commitment Sheet which was handed out and completed at Pentecost Masses, I failed to add the following and I apologise (Kerry Bugden) :

Parish Service – Collectors at Mass

Community – Parish Finance Committee

Community – St Vincent de Paul Volunteers

Ministry Other – Prayer Army (for elderly & disabled)

If you are or wish to be involved in any of these, please complete the CALL TO A LIFE OF DISCIPLESHIP – ADDITIONAL ITEMS form, which is available in the Church foyer and place on a collection plate.

250 Club Update THANK YOU FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING SUPPORT 250 NUMBERS SOLD

Weekly Prizes are $50 - 1^{st} \& 20 - 2^{nd}$ Monthly Prizes are $200 - 1^{st} \& 50 - 2^{nd}$ and will be last weekend of the month.

DATE	Туре	1 st		2 nd	
3/4 June	Weekly	83	Rita Kerr	49	Libby & Mike Gleeson
10/11 June	Weekly	26	Val Martin	24	Helen Bradford



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Pope Francis' Prayer Intention June

For the abolition of torture—We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.



First Reading Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart - whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 147:12-15, 19-20

R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

Gospel Acclamation John 6:51-52

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

Gospel John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the Jews:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'



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ST CECILIA'S CHURCH

23 Byron St Wyong Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Times Sat Vigil 5.00pm Sun 7.30am & 9.30am

Weekday Mass Mon-Sat: 8.00am, Monday 9.15am (School Term)

Reconciliation/Confession Saturday morning after the 8am Mass & Saturday at 4.30pm

EMERGENCY PRIEST CONTACT

Fr Raul ph: 0450 115 099 Fr Alex ph: 0432 947 245

PARISH OFFICE 23 Byron Street Wyong Phone: 02 4352 1011 Po Box 385 Wyong 2259 OFFICE HOURS: Mon to Thurs 9.30am to 2.30pm & Fri 9.30am to 12pm

PARISH CONTACTS

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SICK: Harriet Powell, Danae Roe, Peter Ford, Harry Hall, Michael Briggs, Christine Heffernan, Jennese Thompson, Leeann Hazelton, Bernadette Kiely, Steve Durnford, Ann Durnford, Maureen Mulheron, Angela Watts, William Martin, Terence (Ted) Dafter, Finn McConnon, Margaret Hobbs, Christine, Jacqui Stacey, Josie Campbell, Carol Dafter, Dave Rodney, Gwen Dwyer, Helen Waters, Rod & Pauline Cornwell, Marie Rheinberger, Hannah Hopwood, Fay King, Joan Mabbutt, Irene Dainty, Eoin, Paula, Peter Meury, Lyn Nash, Jai Coleman, Danielle, Frank Farrugia, Betty McDermott.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARY JUNE: Thomas Mayne, Fr Williams, Brian Myers, Margaret Skimmings, Tom Dermondy.

ST JOHN FISHER MASS CENTRE

Hicks Lane Tumbi Umbi Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Times Sat Vigil 5.00 pm Sun: 8.30am & 5pm

Weekday Mass Mon, Wed, Thurs 8:00am Tue & Fri: 9.15am Reconciliation/Confession Saturday at 4.30pm

> Children's Liturgy at the following Masses

St Cecilia's 5pm Mass Saturday St Cecilia's 9.30am Mass Sunday St John Fisher 5pm Mass Sunday

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

Mass St Barnabas, Yarramalong 1st Sun of month 11.15am Filipino Mass St Cecilia's Church 3rd Sun of the month 12pm

Anointing of the Sick First Friday of the Month St Cecilia's During 8.00am &11.30am Mass St John Fisher During 9.15am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration St Cecilia's Daily 7am-8am St John Fisher 1st Fri 8.45 - 9.15am

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Sat St Cecilia's & Wed St John Fisher (after the 8am Mass)

Devotion to the Divine Mercy St Cecilia's Fri after the 8am Mass **St John Fisher** Fri after the 9:15am Mass

Prayer groups

St Cecilia's Rosary Group Tues after 8am mass followed by Divine Mercy **St Cecilia's** Legion of Mary 9am Wed

Meetings

St Cecilia's Choir practice every Tues night 5pm to 6pm

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PENTECOST MESSAGE TO PARISHIONERS

The address given to parishioners at masses on Pentecost weekend and updated Commitment Sheet follow. Please complete the Commitment Sheet for any area you can support and return it to the Parish Office or place on a collection plate. (This Sheet contains the additional areas identified in this week's bulletin). The Holy Spirit bookmark is available at the back of each church.

Good morning/ afternoon

My first words today must be to thank all parishioners for the support you give in helping to make our parish a welcoming, caring, and dynamic community.

This weekend, when we celebrate Pentecost Sunday, everyone is being asked to make this our Parish birthday for the future, as we commence 'Our Call to a Life of Discipleship.'

Our future depends very much on all of us undertaking this discipleship role if we are to continue to be the parish we know and love. Our priests will continue to lead us spiritually, but it is up to us to take on the many and different secular roles that are necessary to keep the parish functioning.

All parishioners are asked to complete the sheet you are being handed out today. Your willingness and commitment to select your roles within our parish is the first step in our rebirth.

Group leaders in the various areas named on the commitment sheet will be in contact with all who tick their respective box. They will ensure you are clear on what is to be achieved, receive any necessary training, listen to any of your specific requests/ concerns, and make any adjustments/ changes.

Next week will be spent collating responses, updating leaders with their new teams to get the ball rolling and moving forward together.

Continue to collect and read the Parish bulletin for ongoing information.

Please say the prayer to the Holy Spirit on the bookmark you were given today. His guidance and help will be essential for this project to meet all the challenges over the coming years.

CALL TO A LIFE OF DISCIPLESHIP

NAME	PHONE:
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EMAIL: USUAL W/END MASS:

I offer my services to the Parish in the areas marked below:

Liturgical

- Altar Service Senior
- Altar Service Junior
- Extraordinary Minister
- Lector
- Collector
- Music Instrument
- Music Voice
- Visual (digital) Wyong
- Visual (digital) Tumbi
- Children's Liturgy Wyong
- Children's Liturgy Tumbi
- Liturgy Committee

Ministry - Other

- Legion of Mary
- Rosary
- Special Religious Education
- Social Justice
- Bereavement
- Hospital/Sacramental
- Prayer Army (for Eldery & Disabled)

Parish Service Areas (Rostered) - pls indicate church

W/T

W/T

W/T

- Counters
- Collectors
- Church Cleaners
 W/T
- Flowers
- Altar Preparation
 W/T
- Altar Laundry
- Mowers

Young People & Families

- Family Group Wyong
- Family Group Tumbi
- Youth Church School Linkage
- Youth Group

Faith Formation

- Evangelisation Team
- Sacramental Program Confirmation
- Sacramental Program Reconcoliation/Eucharist

Community

- Morning Teas Wyong
- Morning Teas Tumbi
- Women's Get Together
- Men's Get Together
- Brunch
- Special Function Thank You
- Special Function Christmas
- Special Function Other
- Parish Pastoral Council
- Parish Finance Committee
- Government Grants Development Leader
- St Vincent de Paul Volunteers

Fund Raising

- Committee
- Bunnings Barbeque
- 250 Club





Office of the Bishop

Vox Populi 08 June 2023

This month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The Catholic Church reserves June for a deeper devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus which represents His love for humanity.

The devotion inspires us to remember how much Jesus loves us, while growing our desire to love Him.

It is also when we celebrate the solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on 16 June. This feast dates back to 1673, when a French nun who belonged to the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary began to receive visions about the Sacred Heart.

Jesus appeared to Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque and revealed ways to venerate his Sacred Heart, and explained the immense love he has for humanity, appearing with his heart visible outside his chest, on fire, and surrounded by a crown of thorns.

In 1856, Pope Pius IX designated the Friday following the feast of Corpus Christi as the feast of the Sacred Heart for the universal Church. Ever since, the month of June has been devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and his immense love for us all.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart was also an essential component of Saint John Paul II's hopes for the "new evangelization" which he often spoke during his Pontificate.

"For evangelization today," he said in 1984, "the Heart of Christ must be recognized as the heart of the Church: It is He who calls us to conversion, to reconciliation. It is He who leads pure hearts and those hungering for justice along the way of the Beatitudes. It is He who achieves the warm communion of the members of the one Body. It is He who enables us to adhere to the Good News and to accept the promise of eternal life. It is He who sends us out on mission. The heart-to-heart with Jesus broadens the human heart on a global scale."

WYONG PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2023

We are delighted that you are bringing your child to receive the Sacraments, we look forward to sharing with you and your child, this journey of faith as he/she prepares to receive this sacrament.

In Baptism, your child began a life-long journey and a way of life. At Confirmation, the graces received in Baptism were sealed with the reception of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit. First Eucharist completes their reception of the Sacraments of Initiation into the Christian life.

The Family plays a central role in the faith formation of children, and as parents, you are your child's primary teacher as he/she develops a relationship with the person of Christ and his Church. We are also grateful to the grandparents, godparents, aunts and uncles, older siblings, other relatives, and family friends who undertake this role.

As family, friends, parish personnel, teachers, and volunteers work with the children in the activity of preparing them for the sacraments, the Holy Spirit inspires and draws them into the relationship with Christ. It is a sacred time and we encourage you to enter this process whole-heartedly with the children as they prepare to receive this sacrament.

Wyong Parish will be commencing their Sacramental Program for 2023 in February. Please contact the Parish Office on 0424 763 734 to make arrangements for your child to receive instruction for Confirmation, Reconciliation, and First Eucharist. We look forward to seeing you at the Parent information night.

RECONCILIATION FOR CHILDREN IN YEAR 4 AND ABOVE WHO HAVE COMPLETED CONFIRMATION

Parent Information night 7 pm Monday 20th February St Cecilia's Church 23 Byron Street Wyong Enrolment Presentation weekend at all weekend Masses 25th /26th February

Children will be asked to attend Mass for the 4 weeks leading up to the Reconciliation Ceremony.

Reconciliation Ceremony Tumbi Monday 20th March 4 pm Reconciliation Ceremony Wyong Tuesday 21st March 4 pm

CONFIRMATION FOR CHILDREN IN YEAR 3 AND ABOVE WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTISED Parent Information night 7 pm Monday 29th May St Cecilia's Church 23 Byron Street Wyong Enrolment Presentation weekend at all weekend Masses 3rd /4th June

Children will be asked to attend Mass for the 4 weeks leading up to the Confirmation Ceremony

Confirmation Ceremony St Peters College Saturday 15th July

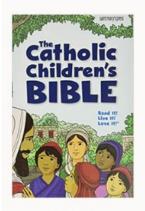
FIRST EUCHARIST FOR CHILDREN IN YEAR 4 AND ABOVE WHO HAVE COMPLETED CONFIRMATION & RECONCILIATION Parent Information night 7 pm Monday 7th August St Cecilia's Church 23 Byron Street Wyong Enrolment Presentation weekend at all weekend Masses 12th/13th August

Children will be asked to attend Mass for the 4 weeks leading up to the First Eucharist Ceremony

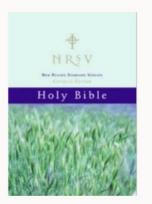
First Eucharist Ceremony Friday 8th September St John Fisher Mass Ctr 5 pm and 6.30 pm First Eucharist Ceremony Friday 15th September St Cecilia's Church 5 pm and 6.30 pm

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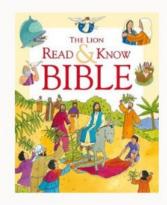
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