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Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Times

St Cecilia's Church

23 Byron St Wyong

Sat Vigil 5.00pm Sun 7.30am & 9.30am

St John Fisher Mass Centre

Hicks Lane Tumbi Umbi

Sat Vigil 5.00 pm Sun: 8.30am & 5pm

Weekday Mass

St Cecilia's : Mon-Sat: 8.00am

St John Fisher:

Mon, Wed, Thurs 8:00am

Tue & Fri: 9.15am

Eucharistic Adoration

St Cecilia's Daily 7am-8am

St John Fisher 1st Friday 8.15 - 9.15am

St Cecilia's 1st Friday of the month 7pm
mass followed by prayers - Mass Midnight
concluding 1am Saturday

Reconciliation/Confession

St Cecilia's Saturday morning after the
8am Mass & Saturday at 4.30pm

St John Fisher Saturday at 4.30pm

Anointing of the Sick (First Friday)

St Cecilia's During 8.00am & 11.30am
Mass

St John Fisher During 9.15am Mass

Monthly Mass

St Barnabas Yarramalong 1st Sunday
11.15am

Filipino Mass Every 3rd Sunday 12pm

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Sat St Cecilia's & Wed St John Fisher
(after the 8:00am mass)

Devotion to the Divine Mercy

St Cecilia's Fri after the 8am Mass

St John Fisher Fri after the 9:15am Mass

St Cecilia's Church

Rosary Group 2pm Tuesdays

Legion of Mary 8am Wednesdays

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Mon to Thurs 9.30am to 2.30pm & Fri 9.30am to 12pm

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New Email: wyongparish@bbcatholic.org.au

Wyong Catholic Parish has a new Diocesan website,
the website address is:

New Website: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/wyong/>

Facebook: www.facebook.com/wyongcatholicparish

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May;

Workers in War Zones

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who
risk their lives to save the lives of others.

Upcoming activities

May

Sunday 12th, Mothers Day/World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Tuesday 14th PPC Meeting

Sunday 18/19th, CWF appeal

24th & 25th, Sacrament of Confirmation Ceremony

June

Sunday 1/2nd, The Ascension of the Lord / Week of prayer for
Christian Unity

Wednesday 5th, Liturgy Meeting 6pm Parish Hall

Sunday 9th, Pentecost Sunday (don't forget to wear your name
badges)

Sunday 15/16th, SVDP Winter appeal

July

Peter's Pence appeal

Keep Us In Your Prayers

Prayer: The most valuable gift you can give someone.

Sick: Len Miller, Sr Sylvia Markulin, Victor Gibbs, Harriet
Powell, Danae Roe, Peter Ford, Gail Parsons, Harry Hall,
Michael Briggs.

Recently Deceased: Kay Taylor, Rodney Noble,

Anniversary: Serapio Otones



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Fifth Sunday of Easter Readings: 19th May 2019

First Reading; Acts 14:21-27;

Second Reading; Apoc 21:1-5;

Gospel; Jn 13:31-35

You may view next week's readings by visiting this
web site: <http://www.usccb.org/bible/>

WYONG CATHOLIC PARISH

ST CECILIA'S CHURCH

&

ST JOHN FISHER MASS CTR

UNDER THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE SOCIETY OF
OUR LADY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SOLT

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



GOSPEL REFLECTION

4th Sunday of Easter 12th May 2019

Herbert Marshall McLuhan is best remembered for the aphorism, 'The medium is the message. 'In our culture, communication is not limited to the message sent through a medium; the medium is already part of the message. Communication is not just 'media'; it has become a culture'.

Applying this thought to the Gospel, we can think of a parallel saying, 'The messenger is the message.' And we can apply this to Jesus. The Synoptic Gospels present him as the 'messenger', and his message is the 'Kingdom of God' that enters the lives of human beings with his presence. Jesus tells the parable of the Lost Sheep to teach us that in the Kingdom of God, every person is important. In Luke, it is one of the three parables of the 'lost' addressing the complaint of the Pharisees and the scribes that Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them. Heaven rejoices over just one sinner who repents (cf Lk 15:7. In Matthew, the parable is told to remind the believers to search for the lost among their members. It is not the will of the heavenly Father that one of the little ones be lost (cf Mt 18:14).

In the Gospel of John, the parable becomes reality. The story of the shepherd's care for the sheep is incarnated in the person of Jesus himself. Jesus is, as it were, the parable. The messenger is also the message. The shepherd who seeks out the lost sheep becomes the Good Shepherd in John (cf Jn 10:11). The Good Shepherd 'lays down his life' for the sheep and 'knows' the sheep. This implies a deep intimacy that unites Shepherd and sheep, an intimacy that speaks of readiness to offer one's life for the other. Elsewhere, Jesus says, 'No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends'(Jn 15:13).

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Prayer for Vocations

Loving God,

*You are the Lord who calls and sends out labourers into the harvest.
In your great love you call us to belong to you, to be holy as you are holy,
to be your people and to live in loving service of others.*

*Pour out your Holy Spirit upon the Catholic community of Broken Bay,
as we turn to you in faith and hope.*

*Call from among us priests and deacons, shepherds after your own heart,
to gather and guide us in your name, to serve our faith community,
to proclaim your gospel, in word and deed,
to minister through the sacraments and to lead us ever closer to you.*

Amen.

2019 World Day of Prayer for Vocations

On the 4th Sunday of Easter (12th May), the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and Religious life?

- ♦ Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- ♦ Keep the priests of our parish in your prayers throughout the week.
- ♦ Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or Religious brother or sister.
- ♦ Pray a rosary (or some special prayer) for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

The Month of May. Within the cycle of a year, the Church unfolds the whole of the mystery of Christ, from his incarnation and birth until his ascension, the day of Pentecost, and the expectation of blessed hope and of the lord's return...

In celebrating this annual cycle of Christ's mysteries, the Church honours with special love **Mary, the Mother of God**, who is joined by an inseparable bond to the saving work of her Son. In her the Church holds up and admires the most excellent effect of the redemption and joyfully contemplates, as in a flawless image, that which the Church itself desires and hopes wholly to be. SC 102, 103

May is traditionally the Month of Mary, where we recall the role of Mary in salvation. **We worship only Jesus Christ, but we honor Mary as a saint.**

The Rosary is a popular and traditional Roman Catholic devotion where we meditate on the life of Jesus and Mary.

The Rosary is recited after the 8am daily Mass at Wyong and also every Tuesday at 2pm. Why not come and join us, all are welcome.

Blessings on Mother's Day

Today we offer all our mothers and those who love us like a mother, our deepest respect for the gift of love you bring to your family, this community and the world. The quality of who you are as a mother has profound consequences for the quality of life in the world, and we extend to you our support and love. We honour your commitment, we rejoice with you in all your achievements and we walk with you in your pain and loss.

We pray for you: May God's Holy Spirit fill you with a love that gives you strength to fulfil all that is asked of you.

World Fair Trade Day

World Fair Trade Day is held on 11 May 2019. The aim of the day is to celebrate fair trade and encourage all to choose fair trade products, and to become ethical consumers. Fairtrade is best known for its tea, chocolate and coffee, however there are over 3,000 products in Australia and New Zealand bearing this Fairtrade certification. This can make a real, positive difference in people's lives, in particular the farmers and workers growing crops and producing raw materials.

Visit www.fairtrade.com.au for more information.

The Charitable Works Fund will be held next weekend

"How marvellous it would be, if at the end of the day, each of us could say: today I have performed an act of charity towards others" - Pope Francis

The Charitable Works Fund is working every day to support faith-based services for the people of the Diocese of Broken Bay. Supporting the Charitable Works Fund puts your gift to work in our local faith community.

Donations \$2 and over are tax-deductible.

Thank you for your kindness, your thoughtfulness and your generosity.

CatholicCare Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioner Program – where five Pastoral Care Practitioners reach over 3,000 patients, 700 families and over 180 hospital staff each year across seven hospitals in our Diocese.

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine – creating and updating teaching materials and training catechists who minister to public school students across the Diocese.

St Lucy's School – for primary school students with disabilities.

St Edmund's College – for secondary school students with disabilities.

Ephpheta Centre – serving the Catholic deaf community.

Safeguarding Message

A culture of Safeguarding values COMMITMENT....

"Speak out and judge fairly, defend the rights of the poor and needy." - see Proverbs 31:9

Wyong parish is committed to safeguarding. All children, young persons and vulnerable adults have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you have a concern about the safety of anyone in the parish, please raise your concern with Fr Raul, Fr Alex or Joanne.

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OZ ROSARY #53

Weekend of the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians

Friday 24th, Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th May

St Cecilia's Church Wyong

8.30am to 9am

Parishioners are invited to come together after the 8am Mass on Friday 24th, Saturday 25th and at 8.45am on Sunday 26th and pray the rosary at St Cecilia's Catholic Church. The prayer intentions are for families, youth, Australia in particular and both political and Church leaders.

Your Efforts Will Make Our Community More Inclusive.

Thanks to the parish priests and parishioners for supporting Alternative Housing for low paid workers on the Central Coast. None of the developments in the local papers are related to this policy.

The policy is a new initiative and will take at least 18 months to begin to make an impact. It is planned to be introduced over 10 years. It involves mixed tenure and a diversity of housing in the private market and some properties managed by local Not for Profit groups.

Local people can not compete with the rise in housing costs. Victims of domestic violence, sudden illness, and full single pensioners will benefit.

Your efforts will make our community more inclusive.

Warnervale/Toukley Social Justice Committee.

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