

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C
PARISH BULLETIN, 14TH AUGUST 2022

*My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me*

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*



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Thank you to our Parishes for helping us fundraise for CatholicCare's homelessness services.

A donation drive will take place this weekend.

Thank you in advance for supporting this important Diocesan initiative.

Reflection 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reproduced from God's Word 2022: Daily Reflections, published by St Pauls Publications, Strathfield

Today's Gospel passage would have been a source of great consolation to the community for which Luke was writing his Gospel. You might wonder how Jesus' words that he has come to bring not peace but rather division to the earth, and that there will be conflicts within families, could be a source of consolation for Luke's community? Well, this was a community that was experiencing conflicts and family divisions, and its members were wondering if they were doing something wrong, Surely everything in the Christian community should be lovely and full of peace and joy. But Luke is saying, 'no, it is normal for Christian communities to experience conflicts and struggles! Jesus saved us by walking the way of the cross, and for us also, there is no other way to glory than the way of the cross. Be strong, be faithful, that is what is most important. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews makes a similar point: in the fight against sin, we must keep fighting to the point of death. We should be sorry for our failures but not discouraged by them. We must humbly acknowledge that the battle against sin is a lifelong battle.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD *Reproduced from Liturgia*

FIRST READING JEREMIAH 38:4-6, 8-10

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said, 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS 39:2-4, 18

R. Lord, come to my aid!

SECOND READING HEBREWS 12:1-4

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shameful of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION JOHN 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL LUKE 12:49-53

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

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SPECIAL COLLECTION

THANK YOU

A very special thank you to all parishioners who supported the S.O.L.T. collection held in July. The total collected was \$4350.00, an outstanding result.

These funds will be forwarded directly to the Philippines to help in the refurbishment of the Novitiate House for the Asian- Pacific region.

Fathers Raul and Alex appreciate your support and thank you all for your generous donation.

SPRINGTIME STALL

On the weekend of the **13th/14th August** Rae will be holding her Springtime Stall at St Cecilia's Church. There will be plenty of plants and garden items.

Money raised will go towards the Parish Pastoral Works quota for 2022-2023.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY LUNCHEON

The first social gathering for our parish since the start of Covid was the 'Christmas in July' luncheon on 22 July. St. Peter's College students and staff, who provided the delicious luncheon at this function were responsible for the success of this gathering. The food was delicious, with everyone commenting on the presentation and taste.

Congratulations and thanks to all Year 11 students and their teachers for the hard work that went into the preparation and presentation.

You can all be very proud of your work.

**Monday 15th August Solemnity
The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8am Mass, St Cecilia's Church and
8am Mass, St John Fisher**

Prayer to Our Lady, Assumed into Heaven

Immaculate Virgin, Mother of Jesus and our Mother, we believe in your triumphant assumption into heaven where the angels and saints acclaim you as Queen. We join them in praising you and bless the Lord who raised you above all creatures. With them we offer you our devotion and love. We are confident that you watch over our daily efforts and needs, and we take comfort from the faith in the coming resurrection. We look to you, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. After this earthly life, show us Jesus, the blest fruit of your womb, O kind, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary.

https://www.catholic.org/prayers/prayeroftheday/?select_date=2020-08-15

BUNNINGS' BARBECUE FUNDRAISER

Wyong Parish has been allocated a fundraising sausage sizzle at Bunnings, Tuggerah on **Saturday 3 September, 2022.**

This is an opportunity to generate substantial fundraising and as this is the Saturday before Father's Day, we anticipate business will be particularly brisk. Parishioner help is essential, with four persons, as well as the BBQ Captain required for each shift.

A roster sheet are available at the back of both Churches, where volunteers can record their name in the time slot which suits.

Regulations, to meet Covid-19 safety plans and other guidelines must be strictly adhered to. All volunteers will be advised of these regulations prior to the date to ensure we are complying with these rules.

Your help is most appreciated and thank you to all who can help.

SAFEGUARDING MESSAGE:

It is important to always look for ways to improve and make things safer for children and young people and provide feedback to the Clergy of the Parish and Ministry Leaders.

Learn more about the Rights of the Child Framework published by the Diocese of Broken Bay. Consider how your personal practices reflect the human and spiritual rights of the child in everyday encounters with children and young people.

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<https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/ourfaith/safeguarding/diocesansafeguarding>



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Weekday Mass

Mon-Sat: 8.00am

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

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Sat Vigil 5.00 pm Sun: 8.30am & 5pm

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Reconciliation/Confession Saturday at 4.30pm

EMERGENCY PRIEST CONTACT

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Fri 9.30am to 12pm

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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

St Barnabas, Yarramalong

1st Sun of month 11.15am

Eucharistic Adoration

St Cecilia's Daily 7am-8am

St John Fisher 1st Fri 8.15 - 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

Fr Raul/Fr Alex and the Legion of Mary visit Berkley Vale Nursing home 3rd Wednesday of the Month

Children's Liturgy

St Cecilia's 5pm Mass Saturday

St John Fisher 5pm Mass Sunday

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

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

PPC Secretary; Kerry Bugden ph 4388 2938

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayer: The most valuable gift you can give someone.

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 & Peter Rheinberger, Hannah Hopwood, Fay King, Joan Mabbutt, Irene Dainty, John Cornwell, Eoin, Paula.

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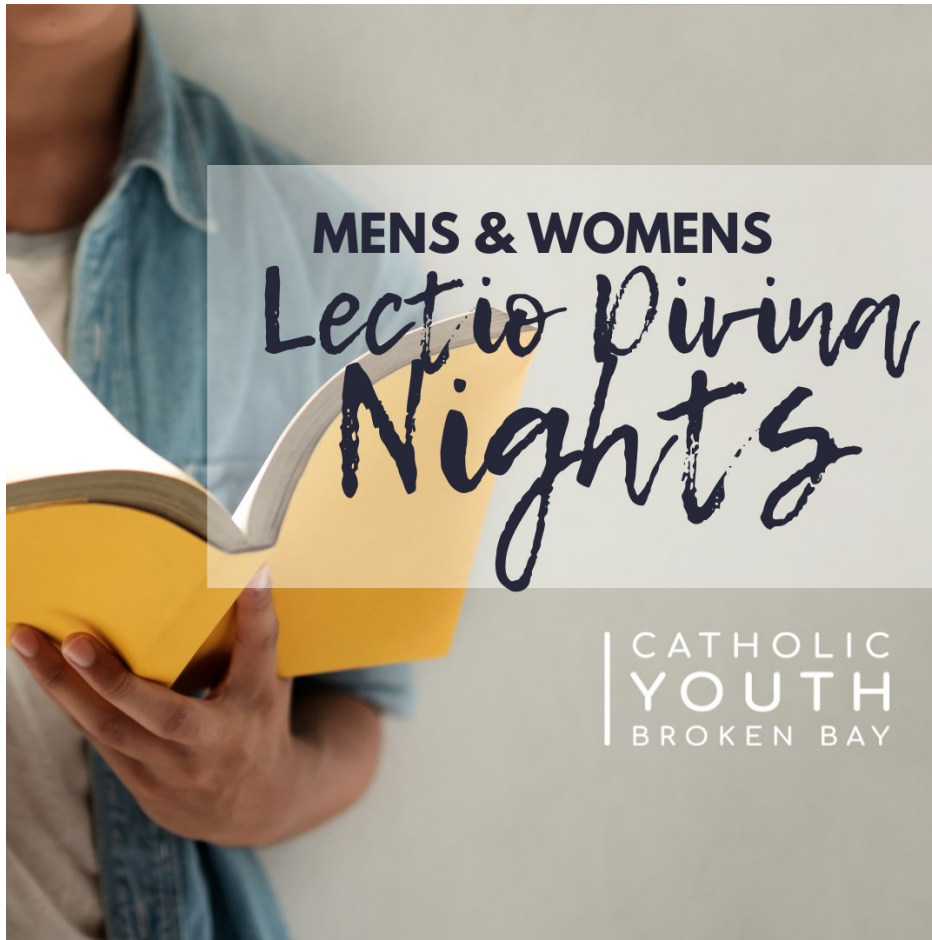
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Catholic Youth Broken Bay is offering a space to come together, as men and women, to pray by Lectio Divina while enjoying the warmth of fellowship!

Lectio Divina is a popular spirituality exercise and an easy form of prayer to do with others or by oneself. It's a practice of reading the Scriptures and letting God speak to you through the Word.

The men's lectio group will kick off this month on August 8th, and then both men's and women's groups will start to meet regularly on the 1st Monday of each month, starting in September.

RSVP in the link: <https://forms.gle/1myPBeMUZ3gT5vHG7>

When: First Monday of the month, 7:30pm - 9:00pm (men start 8 August, then men and women meet on 1st Monday from September onwards)

Who: 18-35 year olds

Where: Men's Sessions | Joseph House, Willoughby

Women's Sessions | TBC

RSVP: <https://forms.gle/1myPBeMUZ3gT5vHG7>

or see the Facebook Event for more details!



Catholic Youth Broken Bay together with Glorious, a group of enthusiastic and creative young adults, invite young people across the diocese to ‘Praisefest: Welcome to Mercy.’

Date: Friday, 19th August from 7:00pm – 9:00pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish at The Entrance.

The theme, ‘Welcome to Mercy’, invites each young person to delve into Christ’s fountain of life regardless of past, failures, or current relationship with Christ. It also aims to connect the merciful and social justice work which students currently participate in through their schools, to the mercy that flows from Christ.

The evening will include outdoor games, live music, Q&A panel, testimony and of course, a Praise Party! More information will be announced over the coming weeks.



Thinking about World Youth Day 2023? Bishop Anthony Randazzo is inviting young people of the Diocese to join him on an experience of a lifetime.

Go on pilgrimage to Italy to see the homes and sites of the saints, and on to Lisbon, Portugal to join youth from around the world for WYD23. Check out the CYBB WYD website for further information and subscribe to join the mailing list to start your journey.

[Check out the CYBB WYD website!](http://bbwyd.org.au)

[WYD Lisbon 2023 - Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay \(bbwyd.org.au\)](http://bbwyd.org.au)

Safeguarding Message

The protection of children and vulnerable adults within our Diocese will be achieved as every member of our community strives to be a person who **LISTENS** to others with an open heart and mind, and responds well so that concerns and risks may be identified early and addressed.

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.

Individual mobile numbers are on the back of the bulletin.

or email wyongparish@bbcatholic.org.au



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

SMALL BUSINESSES

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

Laying a Missionary Foundation Course

A 6-session hybrid course to equip parish leaders, ministers and parishioners with knowledge and skills needed to live out the mission of the Church fruitfully today,

“ to evangelise, to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, gathered as one body and sent out to be missionary disciples. ”

To effectively live out our evangelising mission today in our parishes and communities requires a reorientation towards a missionary mindset where we focus on taking the Good News outwards from our parishes through both word and action. This six session Diocesan Course starting on Saturday 30 July, will lay a foundation for such a missionary mindset, by equipping participants with effective knowledge and skills to be fruitful in this mission.

For further information, please contact Pina Bernard, Team Leader Parish Renewal and Discipleship, on [0432 682 239](tel:0432682239) or pina.bernard@bbcatholic.org.au

Can you undertake an Overseas Mission?

Our sister churches in Africa, Asia and the Pacific are requesting Australian Catholics to join them to build the skills of those in their community who have had less opportunity than ourselves. Please consider these [Mission opportunities abroad](#). The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference provide support. [Palms Australia](#), who have prepared Australian Catholics for global mission since 1961, will ensure accommodation and a living allowance is provided to you during your time away. [Enquire online](#) or **Ph: 0422 742 567** to find out about a placement to engage your skills.

You can also [Register](#) for a Webinar on **Monday August 1st at 7:00 pm** to talk directly with a Palms' partner community in Timor Leste and two Australians recently posted to work with them. Invite your friends. **The stories will inspire.**

KNOWING JESUS DAILY DEVOTIONAL VIDEOS starting Monday 15 August

Join us as we seek to dive deep into the life of Jesus to expand our understanding of who He is and help us live and become more like Him.

This FREE Daily Devotional series Knowing Jesus, is presented by Bruce Downes who is also known as The Catholic Guy. People have registered to receive our prayerful, inspirational resources in every state of the USA and in over 180 countries around the world by both Church attenders and those who are searching.

What people have said about the Daily Devotional Videos:

At the age of sixty odd, I WISH there was someone who had explained all of this to us the way you are Bruce. Perhaps as younger people we would have had a much deeper walk with God and not just going through the motions year after year. Thank you for following what God has sent you to do. God bless you all. - Lynne

I thank the Lord for you! You kept me from suicide and put my feet back on the narrow path. Every day, you give us a small do-able bite, or invitation to grow. These bites turn out to be foundational and so strengthening! Keep up the good work. Keep praying for America! - Vicki

Bruce, I have listened to Bishops, Billy Graham, and many other theologians over decades. Today's message was as important as any I have been privileged to hear. - Barry

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Specifically tailored for clergy, lay leaders and parishioners to be renewed in the Church's mission of evangelisation.

Date: Friday 19 August, 6 – 9 pm and Saturday 20 August, 9 am – 5:15 pm

Venue: St Mary's Cathedral Precinct, Sydney

Cost: \$25 per person for parishioners in the Archdiocese of Sydney, \$100 for other dioceses

Special online guest, author and speaker Dr Scott Hahn, will be speaking live at the event.

Other presenters include Archbishop Anthony Fisher, Archbishop Julian Porteous, Fr Chris Ryan MGL and Tania Rimac.

Registration essential: www.gomakedisciples.org.au/prc22 by Sunday 14 August

Inquiries: parishrenewal@sydneycatholic.org

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