# WELCOME

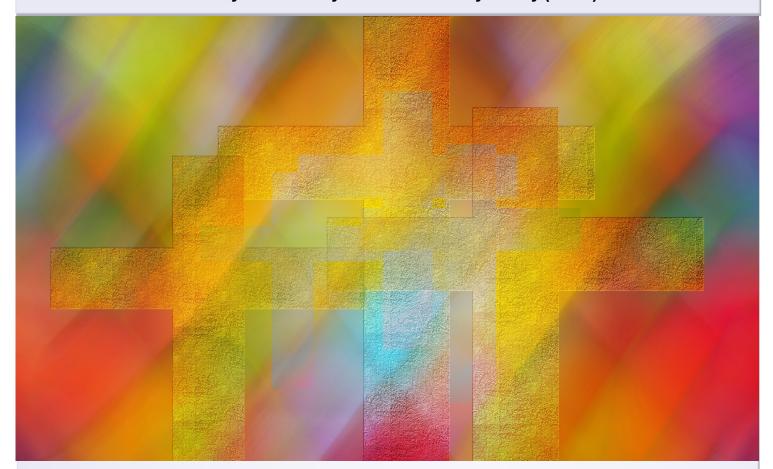
VISION The Wyong Catholic Parish is a welcoming, caring dynamic community

MISSION STATEMENT We will live and proclaim the message of the Gospel:

Engage, Participate, Reach out and Transform

14th January 2024 Second Sunday in Ordinary time

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 14.01.24

#### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Yesterday's reflection was all about seeing, and seeing is also the centrepiece of today's scripture. In our first reading, Eli recognises the presence of God in Samuel's encounters and guides him on what to say. Paul's letter to the Corinthians takes up 'seeing' in a more subtle way, encouraging readers to honor their bodies to truly live as God sees them—as temples of the spirit. And in our Gospel, we have a number of deep experiences of seeing. John 'stared hard' at Jesus, recognising him as the Messiah and prompting his own disciples to follow him. Jesus saw these disciples and invited them to 'come and see' the place where he was staying. And when one of these disciples, Andrew, brought his brother Simon to meet Jesus, Jesus 'looked hard at him' and bestowed on him a new name, based on what he had seen. These readings speak of the importance of recognising God's presence in our live, around us and within us. Today, let's reflect: how has God revealed Godself to me?

#### URGENT APPEAL FOR CATECHIST

One catechist needed for kindy or year one at Berkeley Vale primary school on Wednesdays at 1.00 pm Contact Micheline: 0411 524 532 - ASAP

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY—YOU'RE INVITED!

All children are invited to attend the children's Liturgy at our weekend masses. Children's Liturgy is when the children leave the congregation to celebrate and reflect on the Sunday Gospel reading in an age appropriate way. The children are led through prayers, songs and readings that are adapted to their level of understanding. (Parents are always welcome to attend the Children's Liturgy).



Attending Mass together is a part of being a Catholic Family, while Children's Liturgy allows children to enter the celebration more fully by catering to their needs.

Please see below the weekend masses with Children's Liturgy

St Cecilia's Church, Wyong—Sunday 9.30am St John Fisher Mass Centre, Tumbi Umbi—Sunday 5:00pm

#### Greater Central Coast Funding Competition.

'The Community Funding Program is our way to help make it Central Coast Greater!' Wyong Catholic Parish has been nominated for the Greater Funding Competition this month. The prizes for this, total \$3000, with \$2000 for the winner and \$500 for each runner up. Our aim is to win the 2000 with the help of all parishioners. Each day, until 5:00 pm an Wednesday 31 January, everyone is asked to visit the Greater site and vote for Wyong Catholic Parish.

After Mass this weekend everyone will be given an information sheet which will provide the link for your computer or mobile phone to the voting site. Please use these to help us achieve our aim – first place and so \$2000.

Remember! Vote once each day, every day.

#### St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal Report

Once again, a big thank you to all who supported the appeal. Your generosity enabled us to provide 40 hampers to people in the Wyong area to a value of \$6,000. The Centre also handed out 34 hampers to homeless people. Cash donations totalled \$4790. A fantastic result. May God bless you all

#### **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   | <b>1</b> <sup>ST</sup> |                  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |                    |
|----------------------|--------|------------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 13th/14th<br>January | weekly | 213                    | Marie<br>Fogarty | 137             | Garry<br>Greentree |



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### PROPOSED PARISH CALENDAR DATES—APRIL 2024 (Modification of some dates may be necessary)

**JANUARY** 8<sup>th</sup> – Greater Union Bank Competition commences

21st - St Nino - St Peter's

- 2024 250 Club collection commences 26<sup>th</sup> – Australia Day 26<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> – volunteers' registration

#### **FEBRUARY**

13<sup>th</sup> – Burning of the Ashes & BBQ 14<sup>th</sup> – Ash Wednesday

Lent commences

- Charity collection for disadvantaged commences 20<sup>th</sup> – PPC Meeting

MARCH 12<sup>th</sup> – PPC Meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> – 250 Club final sales

24<sup>th</sup> – Palm Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation 28<sup>th</sup> – Holy Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> – Good Friday

Holy Places collection

31<sup>st</sup> – Easter Sunday



**APRIL** 6<sup>th</sup> / 7<sup>th</sup> – 2024 250 Club draw

- Charity collection for disadvantaged concludes

TBC— Official Opening, Windows Repair

#### **Parish Vocations Volunteer**

The Broken Bay Vocations Team is seeking your help to nurture a culture of vocations in our local Church. As a Parish Vocations Volunteer, you could play a vital role in promoting vocations awareness, encouraging prayer, and supporting local events in your parish. If you feel called to this rewarding service, your involvement would be greatly valued. To express your interest, simply scan the QR code provided and follow the prompts. In Christ, Fr Sam.









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#### **MASS TIMES**

#### 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

#### 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

#### **EMERGENCY PRIEST CONTACT**

Fr Raul ph: 0450 115 099 Fr Alex ph: 0432 947 245 Fr Teody ph: 0414 494 823

PARISH OFFICE 23 Byron Street Wyong

Phone: 02 4352 1011 Po Box 385 Wyong 2259

OFFICE Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9.30am to 2.30pm

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email: raul.balute@bbcatholic.org.au

Assistant Priest Fr Alex Barnedo, SOLT ph: 0432 947 245 Assistant Priest Fr Teody Medina, SOLT ph: 0414 494 823 Parish Secretary Margaret Vandenberg ph: 02 4352 1011

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## Masses St Cecilia's 5pm Mass Saturday St Cecilia's 9 30am Mass Sunday

Children's Lituray at the following

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

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting PPC Secretary; Kerry Bugden ph 02 4388 2938

### **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, Terence (Ted) Dafter, Finn McConnon, Christine, Jacqui Stacey, Josie Campbell, Dave, Rodney, Gwen Dwyer, Helen Waters, Rod & Pauline Cornwell, Marie Rheinberger, Hannah Hopwood, Joan Mabbutt, Irene Dainty, Eoin, Paula, Peter Meury, Jai Coleman, Danielle, Frank Farrugia, Betty McDermott, David Myers, Adam Smith, Darcy, Frank Laoulach

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Richard Mahinay, Carol Dafter, Raymond (Ray) Baker, Fay King (Regina Preston's Aunt), Moira Grace, Maureen Murphy

**ANNIVERSARY JANUARY:** Sophie Roe, Peter White, Patricia Unger, Bill Martin, Tony Kerr, Armida Bito-on, Kevin Booth

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### **Safeguarding Message**

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 Fr Teody. The contact details are on the back to the Bulletin.

#### 14 January 2024

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### First Reading 1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19

A reading from the first book of Samuel

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me'. Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said. 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak Lord, your servant is listening". So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 39:2, 4, 7-10

R. Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

#### Second Reading 1 Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Gospel Acclamation John 1:41, 17

Alleluia, alleluia!

We have found the Messiah:

Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace.

Alleluia!

#### Gospel John 1:35-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,'- which means Teacher - 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' - which means the Christ - and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' - meaning Rock.

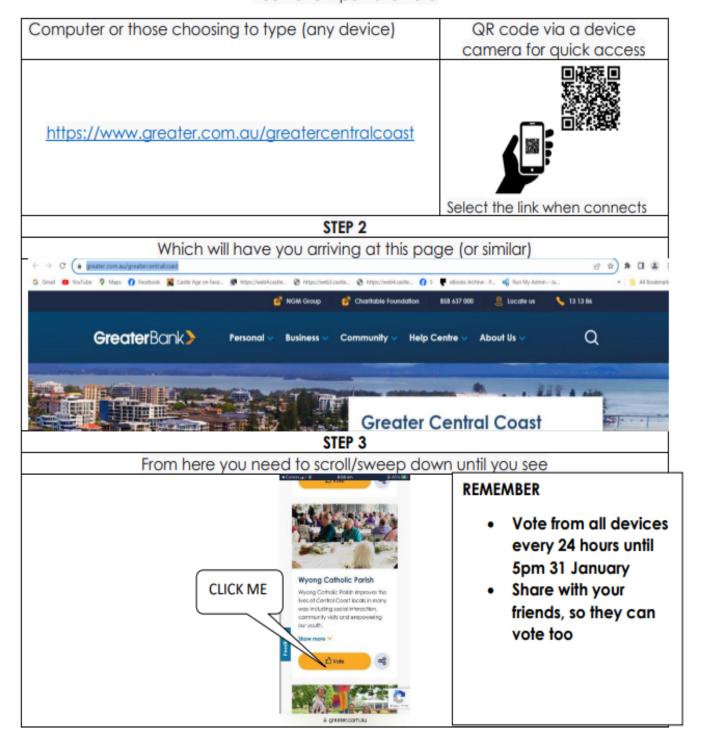
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



# PLEASE SUPPORT OUR PARISH WITH YOUR VOTES, IF WE WIN, WE WILL GET \$2,000 ADDED TO OUR FUNDRAISING COFFERS.

You have 2 paths to vote



### **Installation Process for the St Cecilia Reliquary**



### **Timeline**

| 1 May 2023            | Father Raul approached Bishop Anthony to determine the   |  |  |
|-----------------------|--|--|--|
|                       | authenticity of the relic.   |  |  |
| 17 May 2023           | Bishop Anthony decreed the relic is authentic and would be installed.  |  |  |
| September 2023        | A committee was formed to begin the liturgical processes required  |  |  |
| October 2023          | The committee determined the date for  |  |  |
|                       | <ul> <li>the official launch,</li> </ul>   |  |  |
|                       | <ul> <li>preparation of banner and</li> </ul>  |  |  |
|                       | <ul> <li>prayer cards.</li> </ul>  |  |  |
| OFFICIAL              | 9:30 am Mass on Sunday, 26 November 2023, followed by a  |  |  |
| LAUNCH                | celebratory morning tea.   |  |  |
| December 2023         | Committee will visit the Shrine of St John Paul at Gosford. Father   |  |  |
|                       | Skulski will provide information on the process for the development of our Shrine and many other considerations.   |  |  |
| 2024                  | Throughout 2024, the committee will investigate and determine the best ways to meet all liturgical and other requirements.   |  |  |
|                       | These include Safety, Presentation (incl memorabilia), Location and Security Measures for the relic itself, as well as infrastructure and policy changes necessary to ensure these can be met. |  |  |
| November 2024         | INSTALLATION OF THE RELIC  |  |  |
| Ongoing<br>Activities | Pastoral Activities e.g., Pilgrimages, Faith Formation, Workshops<br>Shrine Activities e.g., Special Masses, Healing Evenings.   |  |  |



# SAFEGUARDING is everyone's responsibility





**Everyone must** practice A DUTY OF CARE. We are called to step up and speak out.

Need to be listening & watching to understand / if there are any concerns and take them seriously





#### Tell one of our designated persons in authority

- Fr Raul 0450 115 099
   Maureen Roast 0435 245 849
- · Anne Hooley
- 0428 149 793

Contact will be made with Dioscesean Safeguarding Office





**Our Community is** SAFE