FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER PARISH BULLETIN, 15TH MAY 2022

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you ...

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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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Gospel Reflection John 13:31-3515th May 2022

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Filled with the love of God, Paul and Barnabas 'opened the door of faith' to many whom they encountered in the cities they visited. By their love, joy and zest for God, the eyes, ears and hearts of many were opened. They are clearly following Jesus' new commandment to 'love one another as I have loved you'. As Jesus did, they too spread the Good News of God among the people. They too witnessed to the love and presence of God in their hearts by their very actions. It bears reflecting, how deeply have I been impacted by the love of God? Do others know that I'm a disciple of Jesus by the love I share with others? Do people recognise Jesus in me? Do I recognise Jesus in others? I pray that I may be a living sign of God's love in the world today, that I may be one who opens the door of faith and love to those I encounter.



Thank you for your ongoing support of Pastoral Works Broken Bay, helping to renew and rebuild families and parish communities!

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 15th MAY 2022 THE LITURGY OF THE WORD *Reproduced from Liturgia*

FIRST READING ACTS 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM_PS 144:8-13

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

SECOND READING REVELATION 21:1-5

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new'.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION JOHN 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

GOSPEL JOHN 13:31-35

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon. My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples'.





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Flower Arranging

For anyone interested in helping with the flower arranging for St Cecilia's Church, we will be having a meeting ;

Time: 10am **Date:** 11th May (Wednesday morning) **Place:** Parish Hall

We would welcome any help.

Fundraiser Stall and Mothers day raffle

Money raised Fundraising stall \$706.00 On line sales \$607.00 Mothers day Raffle \$246.00

Thank you to everyone who helped to support this fundraiser.

Special thanks to Rae Bof, Marie Dyer and Irene Smith for running the fundraiser.



Congratulations to Kerry and Brian Bugden on their 60th Wedding Anniversary.

May you always enjoy the blessings and the gifts of God's great love.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention May -

Faith-Filled Young People We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.



Laudato Si Week 16-24 May 2022

You are invited to gather in small groups or individually to reflect on how we can care for creation during the celebration of *Laudato Si* week (16 - 24 May 2022). This week is both a celebration of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si* as well as a call to action. The Justice, Ecology and Peace Office has created resources to assist you with your reflection. go to socialjustice.catholic.org.au to access resources.



Walking in the Spirit National Prayer Pilgrimage for the Plenary Council

People across the country are invited to participate in a national prayer pilgrimage as the Catholic Church in Australia prepares for the Second Assembly of the **5th Plenary Council of Australia in Sydney from 3-9 July**. We pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and grace for the Members who will gather and also for ourselves and the Church, that we may have the courage to follow where God is leading us. Access Walking in the Spirit Prayer Resources at:

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/walkinginthespirit



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Weekday Mass Mon-Sat: 8.00am

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: 4352 1011 Po Box 385 Wyong 2259 OFFICE HOURS: Mon to Thurs 9.30am to 2.30pm & Fri 9.30am to 12pm

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RECENTLY DECEASED: Antonio Barnedo Jr **ANNIVERSARY MAY:** Mark Bastick, John Donnolley, Marie Murray.

ST JOHN FISHER MASS CENTRE Hicks Lane Tumbi Umbi Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Times

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

> 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

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Domestic Church is a movement for married Catholic couples and families who want to grow in mutual love and pursue sanctity together. The Movement helps spouses to build true unity and create a truly Christian environment in which to bring up their children. It provides lifelong formation in personal, marital and family spirituality.

The first meeting of an initial six meetings of the Domestic Church is on Sunday 22 May 2022 at 9.30am at St Patrick's parish, Gosford.

Please email <u>maria.and777@gmail.com</u> if you are interested in joining this program or for more details. Any families who are not from Gosford Parish and would like to join are more than welcome to do so. After attending a few monthly formation meetings at Gosford Parish, you will be able to start family circles in your own parish if you wish.



Family Connect and Support (FCS) is a state wide voluntary service for children, young people and families who need support to maintain a safe and positive family environment. It helps families who may be experiencing vulnerability or who require some level of support before issues escalate. It works on a networking model, connecting families with local services with expertise in areas such as:

- Parenting challenges
- Financial stress
- Substance use
- Family breakdown
- Housing issues
- Mental health
- Domestic and family violence ... and more.

We stay connected with you until you're matched to the right services or support. To access this service please call <u>1800 066 757</u> or visit <u>www.catholiccaredbb.org.au</u>.



CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME What does Ecological Conversion look like in our Parish Communities?

You are invited to join us at St Anthony in the Fields at Terrey Hills on 28 May 2022 10am - 12 noon Register at: www.bbcatholic.org.au Professor Neil Ormerod and Ms Thea Ormerod will unpack the theological and practical framework for parishes to care for our common home.



Are you a priest looking for ways to enhance and build youth ministry capacity in your Parish? Do you have/are you a young adult with leadership potential, searching for community and inspiration? Desiring to form and create momentum among your youth team but unsure how? The Ad Astra program might be a resource for you! Ad Astra is a **free 12-month youth leadership program** for young adults in Parishes. Clergy, young adults and volunteers from across the Diocese are invited to attend the upcoming Ad Astra Information Evening on Wednesday, 18th May at 7:00pm. As our first year comes to a close, the team is encouraging a new group of young adults to step into the 2022-2023 Ad Astra cohort. Come along and/or invite others from your local community to hear more about how this resource can transform youth ministry leaders and offer opportunities in Parishes that will bear fruit that lasts. With testimonies from Ad Astra alumni, input from CYBB team, a 'Next Steps' guide, the chance to network and enjoy a free meal, there will be something gained for everyone!

Interested in finding out more about the program for yourself or for others? RSVP for the Ad Astra Information Evening now: <u>https://forms.gle/bR5sF6Ws8oqEWxGo7</u>.

For any other enquiries, please email <u>rachel.vala@bbcatholic.org.au</u>

PROCESSION FOR THE FEAST OF **MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS** PATRONESS OF AUSTRALIA Praying for Peace in the World

SATURDAY 21 MAY 2022

10:30AM | ST PETER'S SURRY HILLS *Pilgrims Blessing and start of procession.*

12PM | ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL Mass in Honour of Mary Help of Christians



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