

PARISH BULLETIN

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*

REFLECTION 15TH NOVEMBER

The principle of 'use it or lose it' is demonstrated clearly in today's Gospel. A basic principle of human existence is that we improve by actually doing – not by wishing, wanting or reading but by actually having a go in our real and practical world. The way we accept a gift of God is to work at making ourselves more proficient in its use and the way to glory in our giftedness is to use our gifts in the loving service of others. The image we have of God can hamper or hinder how we go about this. If we view God as a tough Master waiting to pounce on our every failing, we will be like the third slave, querulous and ineffective, blaming others (or God) for our failure. But if we view God as a generous, creative Master, who has lavishly bestowed on us differing abilities and who daily offers us opportunities to show loving-kindness and mercy to all, we will find ourselves not only desiring to be like God but acting like God as well. Then we will find that our lives are rich in love and that we have entered into the joy of our Master.

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15TH NOVEMBER 2020
33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A

Please join us as we livestream Mass every Saturday at 5pm on Facebook. Please see the link below, don't forget to like and follow our Facebook page. www.facebook.com/wyongcatholicparish



SUNDAY MASS 15 NOVEMBER 2020 THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

We request for everyone to please wear a mask when they attend church for any Mass, religious service or prayer.

FIRST READING PROVERBS 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

A perfect wife - who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls.
Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit.
Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life.
She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands.
She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle.
She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy.
Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise.
Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 127:1-5

R. Happy are those who fear the Lord.

SECOND READING 1 THESSALONIANS 5:1-6

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons,' since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is,' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it. But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION JOHN 15:4, 5

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL MATTHEW 25:14-15, 19-21

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said, "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

Charitable Works Fund appeal - 14/15 November

This weekend is our CWF collection and we appreciate your support.

You can give by completing and returning the CWF envelope in parish, visiting www.bbcatholic.org.au/give or scanning the QR code.

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible and allocated to our parish quota.

The November appeal highlights the spiritual need of about 21,000 Catholic students who attend State Schools across Broken Bay.

Giving to CWF supports the wonderful work of Catechists, nourishing our children and young people with solid faith education. Raising them up to be passionate young people who love Jesus Christ and His Church.

Nurturing faith in our children and young people is one of the most powerful things we can do to support our parishes. Take a moment to watch the short film of Christine Jap - former student and current Catechist - who shares what SRE means to her. https://youtu.be/qs3C_P0DxVA

Thank you and God Bless.

CHARITABLE WORKS FUND November 2020 Appeal

21,000

of our Catholic students in State Schools
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Congratulations

May God Bless you on your First Eucharist

May you always know the peace of Jesus, the light of his love and the joy of his life within you.

We Congratulate all the children in our parish who have made their First Eucharist over the last two weeks.

KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayer: The most valuable gift you can give someone.

SICK: Len Miller, Victor Gibbs, Harriet Powell, Danae Roe, Peter Ford, Harry Hall, Michael Briggs, Christine Heffernan, Jennese Thompson, Leeann Hazelton, Catherine Amey, Philip Dwyer, Bernadette Kiely, Steve Durnford, Ann Durnford, Maureen Mulheron, Angela Watts, William Martin, Terence (Ted) Dafter, Finn McConnon, Margaret Hobbs, Shane & Christine, John Baxter, Joey Moloney, Noel Muir.

RECENTLY DECEASED: George Mercieca

ANNIVERSARY NOVEMBER: Lourds Sur, Ron Mahoney, Eileen Preston, Geoff White, Agnes Myers, James Smith, Michael Bouchet, Jill Hill, Maxine Nell, Matthew Di Losa, Zenaida, Barry Austin, Donald King, Peggy Joyce, Joseph Costa,



Birthdays

and

Anniversaries

Best Wishes

Wyong Parish Christmas Picnic Dinner

(Due to COVID we ask that you bring your picnic dinner and please book your attendance with Jo on 0424 763 734 by Fri 4th Dec)

Parishioners are invited to come together to celebrate the festive season and thank one another for the gifts we share throughout the year. These gifts we share are what makes our Parish the wonderful caring community it is.

Date: Friday 11th December

Time: 6.30pm for BYO Picnic dinner

Place: 23 Byron Street Wyong

on the Lawn of the Presbytery grounds

BYO. Picnic Chairs/blanket

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Frank Robinson 1/11/1923 97 years

Kerrie Deder 2/11/1953

Phil Bastick 7/11/1932

Paul Flynn

Enid Dwyer

Teresa Vella 11/11/1948

Gerry Martin 14/11

Warmest Congratulations

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RETURN AND EARN

From when we started collecting recycled bottles in October 2019 **RETURN AND EARN HAS RAISED \$1333.50 TO DATE.**

100 CLUB

Thank you to everyone, who has supported the 100 Club we have had such a wonderful response. The total 150 numbers are now sold.

WEEK 1 WINNERS

- 1st prize \$100 Mary Kerry no.146
- 2nd prize \$60 Monica O'Sullivan no.54
- 3rd Prize \$40 Noreen Bolten Wood no.116

WEEK 2 WINNERS

- 1st prize \$100 Stephen Price no.117
- 2nd prize \$60 Helen Bath no.114
- 3rd Prize \$40 Marie Boden no.140

WEEK 3 WINNERS

- 1st prize \$100 David Crass no.25
- 2nd prize \$60 Pat Archer no.126
- 3rd Prize \$40 Christine Cause no.120

WEEK 4 WINNERS

- 1st prize \$100 Helen McGuirk no.119
- 2nd prize \$60 Monica O'Sullivan no.54
- 3rd Prize \$40 Kay & Noel Nuir no.41

WEEK 5 WINNERS

- 1st prize \$100 Trish & Doug Calder no.8
- 2nd prize \$60 Mary Louise McDarmont no.26
- 3rd Prize \$40 Kerrie Dederda no.118

WEEKS 6 – 9

- 1st prize \$100
- 2nd prize \$60
- 3rd Prize \$40

WEEK 10

- 1st Prize \$450
- 2nd Prize \$250
- 3rd Prize \$150
- 4th Prize \$50.

November

Month of Remembrance

November Mass Offerings

There are envelopes available for you to write the names of your beloved deceased. Please put the envelopes into the special box near the sanctuary or into our weekend collection baskets. All Masses in November will be offered for our departed brothers and sisters.

Thank You

In Wyong Catholic Parish we have 24 Catechists, who provide a formal Catholic Education to around 300 children in public schools in our area.

*For every lesson
you've prepared
The love of God
has been shared*

We take this opportunity to sincerely thank the Catechist/Helpers of our parish for sharing the Joy, Love and Faith of Jesus with the children.

HELP NEEDED St Cecilia's is desperately needing more volunteers for our Church cleaning roster. The upkeep of our Church is very important.

You would only be required for 1 hour every 5 to 6 weeks. Could you please consider volunteering.

Thank you.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

Christmas Stall

ST JOHN FISHER

On the 28th/29th November at all Tumbi Masses,

ST CECILIA'S CHURCH

On the 5th/6th December at all Wyong Masses, Rae will be running a Christmas Stall.

All money raised will be going towards our Parish Charitable Works quota. There will be some wonderful Christmas gift ideas and stocking fillers.

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo
Bishop of Broken Bay

Message for BBNeighbourhoods
10 November 2020

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Over the past few months there have been some wonderful areas of growth in our community of the Church.

We have a new Director of CatholicCare Broken Bay, Tim Curran. Together with the Team of dedicated workers, they have been the visible face of Jesus Christ to many people in need during these challenging times. Their vibrant and positive ministry which engages people where they are, no matter what their circumstances, is a reminder that God is merciful and compassionate.

Our Catholic Schools Broken Bay, under the leadership of Danny Casey and the Team, have commenced the opening up of the Towards 2025 vision for the education and formation of our children. The vision is stated simply so that we will commit to authentic, professional Catholic education, delivered with care and compassion. Our purpose is to inspire hearts and minds to know Christ, to love learning, to use their talents to be the very best they can be. All of this is underpinned with the values of faith, joy, witness, compassion, and courage.

This week I have advertised six new positions for the new look team at Evangelisation Broken Bay. The link can be found ([here](#)). My desire is to build a unified team of people passionate for mission, evangelisation and the communication of the Word, who can contribute their talents and use their gifts in fresh and innovative ways. I am looking for people who want to bring their prayers and ingenuity to the mission of the diocese in a Catholic context that is courageous, dynamic, and new. I am looking for people who have a relationship with Jesus Christ and want to put that relationship into action.

I am also delighted that I have been able to visit every parish in the first year as Bishop of the Diocese. Normally this can take two or even three years to complete. One of the unforeseen opportunities provided by the COVID environment has been the possibility of these visits. It has been a delight to meet so many people, even if we have been restricted in our gatherings. I look forward to continuing these visits as we commit ourselves anew to the mission of proclaiming the Gospel.

Finally, I would ask your prayers at this time. Over these past couple of months, I have been praying and thinking about the upcoming transfer of clergy in our Diocese. During my visits I have been having conversations with the clergy and I have also had the opportunity to consult with people throughout the community. My hope is that the movement of our priests and deacons will ultimately allow them to thrive in their vocations and that our communities of faith will have happy, healthy, and holy priests and deacons to lead and serve.

Please pray that the Holy Spirit will guide me with the gift of wisdom. Pray also for the priests and deacons that they may respond with generosity and availability. Finally, pray for our communities of faith, that they will be welcoming and accepting of the gifts God gives, especially the gift of our clergy.

May God continue to bless you and your families,

+Anthony

WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY MASSES

St Cecilia's Church has a **limitation of 45 people per Mass**, we kindly remind you that you **MUST** RING to book in your attendance for our WEEKEND MASSES.

To book your attendance for the Weekend Masses please text or call Jo on 0424 763 734 during office hours.

UPDATED MASS TIMES FROM 3RD/4TH OCTOBER 2020

ST CECILIA'S CHURCH MASS TIMES LIMITATION OF 45 PEOPLE PER MASS

- **Saturday Vigil Masses 5pm** **Sunday Masses 7.30am and 9.30am**
- Weekday Mass times Monday to Saturday 8am

ST JOHN FISHER MASS TIMES LIMITATION OF 100 PEOPLE PER MASS

- **Saturday Vigil Masses 5pm** **Sunday Masses 8.30am and 5.00pm**
- Weekday Mass times Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 8am and Tuesday, Friday 9.15am

Anointing Mass: We will not recommence Anointing Masses at this stage.

Group Meetings: We will not recommence group meeting at this stage.

PLEASE REMEMBER WHEN COMING TO MASS THAT:

- If you have a temperature or a cold, please do not attend.
- You must sanitise your hands before entry into the church.
- **we requested for everyone to please wear a mask when they attend church for any Mass, religious service or prayer.**
- For Weekend/Weekday Masses you Must make sure you have your name and contact details recorded on the attendance sheet as you come into the church.
- Individuals (not families) are asked to respect the 1.5m distancing from each other obligation.
- Boxes for 1st and 2nd Collections are inside the church/mass ctr

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PARISH COLLECTIONS

1st Collection (PRIESTS) The financial support for Fr Raul and Fr Alex comes solely from our Parish first collection and this goes towards their upkeep and living expenses. Our Parish Priests are not financially supported by the Diocese.

2nd Collection (PARISH) goes towards all the pastoral and operating expenses of the Parish: phones/photo copier, electricity, insurance, rates, priests vehicles, staff wages, Presbytery, Church and ground maintenance just to name a few.

You can make your **donation directly into our bank account:**

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