

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*

18TH JUNE 2023 ELEVENTH 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)



Ordinary Time, Year A

Reflection 18.6.2023 Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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We all have a mission in life. Sometimes, however, we can live without any real purpose or focus. Jesus reminds us today that we have been called and chosen to participate with him in spreading the Good News. As Jesus went from town to town, he saw the needs of people. We are told 'he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd'. In our daily life, how sensitive are we to the needs of others? What are our feelings when we see someone who is sad and without hope? Do we make it a priority to share the Good News with them? In our prayer today, we might like to dialogue with Jesus about how we might live out our mission concretely in our daily lives. We all need to do our part because today, as in Jesus' time, 'the harvest is great, but the labourers are few'.

All Welcome! Parish Brunch

Monday 19th June 11am
Parish Hall/Verandah
23 Byron Street Wyong. Please RSVP
Parish Office 4352 1011
Kerry 4388 2938 or Jo 0424 763 734

Feast of St John Fisher, Bishop & Martyr

Thursday, 22nd June – Masses 8am
St John Fisher & St Cecilia's
We thank you Lord for giving us St
John Fisher, an example of great
holiness.

Any Parishioner unable to walk forward to receive

Holy Communion, please notify the
Eucharistic Minister before Mass or
place the 'yellow band' on the pew
(located back of Church). Thank you

Liturgical Training – 24 June

For all parishioners who have volunteered
to be a Senior Server, Extraordinary
Minister and/or Lector there will be
training at St Cecilia's Church, Wyong on
Saturday, 24 June commencing at
9:00 am.

This training is for all volunteers, **both
old and new**, to ensure the same
presentation is in use at all Masses in both
Churches. Father Robert Borg Parish
Priest of The Lakes Parish will be giving
the presentation.
Please mark the date in your calendar, as
your attendance is very important.

Sacrament of Confirmation

We continue to pray for the
children in our Parish who
are preparing for the
Sacrament of Confirmation.
We welcome them and their
families to our weekend
Masses.

*We pray that the Holy Spirit will
continue to grow in their hearts.*



New Allocated Planned Giving Envelopes for Financial Year 2023/2024

Your Giving Envelopes for the new financial year are ready
this weekend for collection from St Cecilia's Church and
St John Fisher Mass Ctr.

To minimise our Planned Giving Envelope costs we have
consolidated some envelope numbers.

Parishioners who previously had envelope numbers greater
than 460 will now have a new number issued. To assist us in
our records, we ask you please not to use the old envelope
numbers.

THANK YOU

We thank most sincerely all Parishioners who are able to
contribute through our Parish's Planned Giving, whether it be via
envelopes, credit card or direct deposit into the parish account and
regular cash donations to the plate. We understand that in these
financial times not everyone is in a position to donate but your
support in prayers and other ways is just as important.

As you would be aware, the cost of living has increased greatly
and this has had an impact on our Parish expenditure.

As a parish community, we rely solely on these contributions to
cover the following:

- Liturgical needs and resources (vestments, bread and wine)
- Equipment and resources computers and photocopier
- Increasing electricity costs and insurance
- Staff wages
- Repairs and maintenance for the church, presbytery,
Meeting rooms and offices.

If you do not have a set of giving envelopes and would like
some, please contact the Office? If you would like to
contribute via credit card donation or directly into the
parish account please call or email the parish office on
024352 1011 or wyongparish@bbcatholic.org.au
Once again we are very grateful for your generosity and
support. God Bless.

250 Club Update

THANK YOU FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING SUPPORT

250 NUMBERS SOLD

Weekly Prizes are \$50 – 1st & \$20 – 2nd

Monthly Prizes are \$200 – 1st & \$50 – 2nd and will be last
weekend of the month.

DATE	Type	1 st		2 nd	
		Prize	Winner	Prize	Winner
10/11 June	Weekly	26	Val Martin	24	Helen Bradford
17/18 June					

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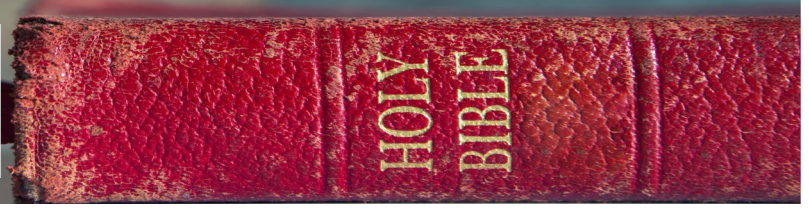
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Pope Francis' Prayer Intention June

For the abolition of torture—We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

Sunday 18th June 2023
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD (Year A)



First Reading Exodus 19:2-6

From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp.

Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, "You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagle's wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own, for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation."

Responsorial Psalm Ps 99:2-3, 5

R. We are his people: the sheep of his flock

Second Reading Romans 5:6-11

We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man - though of course for someone really worthy, a man might be prepared to die - but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

Gospel Acclamation Mark 1:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near; repent and believe the Good News! Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 9:36 - 10:8

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.'

He summoned his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

'Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.'



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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

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PARISH WEBSITE: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/wyong/>

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Children's Liturgy at the following Masses

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

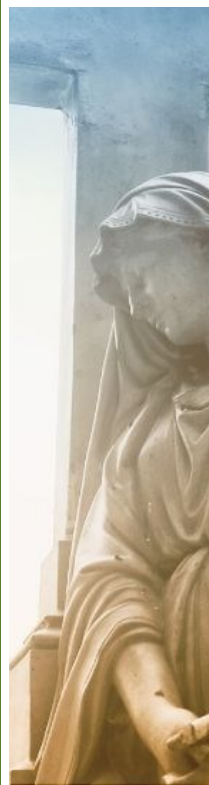
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SICK: Harriet Powell, Danae Roe, Peter Ford, Harry Hall, Michael Briggs, Christine Heffernan, Jennese Thompson, Leeann Hazelton, Bernadette Kiely, Steve Durnford, Ann Durnford, Maureen Mulheron, Angela Watts, William Martin, Terence (Ted) Dafter, Finn McConnon, Margaret Hobbs, Christine, Jacqui Stacey, Josie Campbell, Carol Dafter, Dave Rodney, Gwen Dwyer, Helen Waters, Rod & Pauline Cornwell, Marie Rheinberger, Hannah Hopwood, Fay King, Joan Mabbutt, Irene Dainty, Eoin, Paula, Peter Meury, Lyn Nash, Jai Coleman, Danielle, Frank Farrugia, Betty McDermott.

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ANNIVERSARY JUNE: Thomas Mayne
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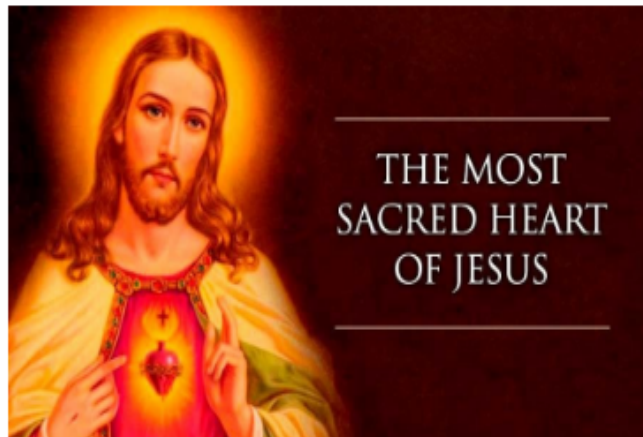
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Safeguarding Message

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 Joanne. The contact details are on the back to the Bulletin.



Office of the Bishop

Vox Populi
14 June 2023

Friday, 16 June is the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

The Sacred Heart is a symbol of God's infinite love – the symbol of His own generous self-sacrificing love for all.

But why the heart? In every age and language, the heart is regarded as the natural symbol of love and affection. This feast day takes the physical heart of Jesus as a representation of His Divine love for humanity.

The Feast of the Sacred Heart has been in the Roman Catholic Liturgical calendar since 1856. The day always falls on a Friday, 19 days after Pentecost.

The devotion especially emphasizes the unmitigated love, compassion, and long-suffering of the heart of Christ towards humanity.

With the tragedy we have seen and felt this week following the devastating bus crash in the Hunter Valley resulting in so many deaths and injuries, and trauma for families and friends, we could turn to the Sacred Heart of Jesus to find healing and peace for everyone.

This week Bishop Anthony and many of our clergy have been attending their annual Clergy Conference. They too have been praying for all those affected by the bus tragedy and ask you to also keep them in your prayers.

WYONG PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2023

We are delighted that you are bringing your child to receive the Sacraments, we look forward to sharing with you and your child, this journey of faith as he/she prepares to receive this sacrament.

In Baptism, your child began a life-long journey and a way of life. At Confirmation, the graces received in Baptism were sealed with the reception of the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit. First Eucharist completes their reception of the Sacraments of Initiation into the Christian life.

The Family plays a central role in the faith formation of children, and as parents, you are your child's primary teacher as he/she develops a relationship with the person of Christ and his Church. We are also grateful to the grandparents, godparents, aunts and uncles, older siblings, other relatives, and family friends who undertake this role.

As family, friends, parish personnel, teachers, and volunteers work with the children in the activity of preparing them for the sacraments, the Holy Spirit inspires and draws them into the relationship with Christ. It is a sacred time and we encourage you to enter this process whole-heartedly with the children as they prepare to receive this sacrament.

Wyong Parish will be commencing their Sacramental Program for 2023 in February. Please contact the Parish Office on 0424 763 734 to make arrangements for your child to receive instruction for Confirmation, Reconciliation, and First Eucharist. We look forward to seeing you at the Parent information night.

RECONCILIATION FOR CHILDREN IN YEAR 4 AND ABOVE WHO HAVE COMPLETED CONFIRMATION

Parent Information night 7 pm Monday 20th February St Cecilia's Church 23 Byron Street Wyong

Enrolment Presentation weekend at all weekend Masses 25th /26th February

Children will be asked to attend Mass for the 4 weeks leading up to the Reconciliation Ceremony.

Reconciliation Ceremony Tumbi Monday 20th March 4 pm

Reconciliation Ceremony Wyong Tuesday 21st March 4 pm

CONFIRMATION FOR CHILDREN IN YEAR 3 AND ABOVE WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTISED

Parent Information night 7 pm Monday 29th May St Cecilia's Church 23 Byron Street Wyong

Enrolment Presentation weekend at all weekend Masses 3rd /4th June

Children will be asked to attend Mass for the 4 weeks leading up to the Confirmation Ceremony

Confirmation Ceremony St Peters College Saturday 15th July

FIRST EUCHARIST FOR CHILDREN IN YEAR 4 AND ABOVE WHO HAVE COMPLETED CONFIRMATION & RECONCILIATION

Parent Information night 7 pm Monday 7th August St Cecilia's Church 23 Byron Street Wyong

Enrolment Presentation weekend at all weekend Masses 12th/13th August

Children will be asked to attend Mass for the 4 weeks leading up to the First Eucharist Ceremony

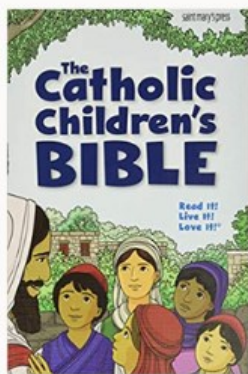
First Eucharist Ceremony Friday 8th September St John Fisher Mass Ctr 5 pm and 6.30 pm

First Eucharist Ceremony Friday 15th September St Cecilia's Church 5 pm and 6.30 pm

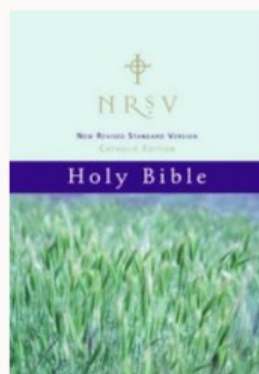
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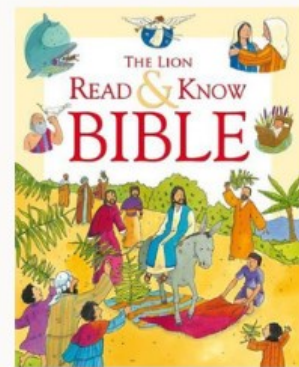
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