

# 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*

**21ST JANUARY 2024 THIRD 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 21.01.24**

### **THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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I'm usually an early riser, and it's rare that I oversleep. But when I do, it's always when I have a big commitment that day, or when I forget to set my alarm – and you'll find me racing around trying to get everything together. We notice something similar in our readings today - in each story, there's a sort of 'deadline' or big commitment people are asked to meet. Jonah is called by God to urge the Ninevites to repent within forty days. Paul stresses to the Corinthians that time is short and they need to change their ways urgently. And Jesus proclaims that God's time has come, and calls Simon, Andrew, James and John, to follow him which they do without hesitation. It can be tempting to put off a chore we don't want to do, or an assignment, or even just getting out of bed - but as our readings say, we can never put off following God and taking God's call into our hearts. Today, let's reflect: what might God be asking me to do today? Am I responding in the best possible way?

## **Australia Day—Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

Australia Day is an excellent time to remind ourselves of the great land that God has given us and to thank him for all the blessings that we take so much for granted – blessings like peace, freedom, caring friends, and loving families.

Come along to **Mass on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January** and give thanks to God for what's great about Australia, and to pray for continued blessings on this great southern Land.

**St Cecilia's Wyong—8.00am** (Eucharistic Adoration between 7am & 8am)

**St John Fisher Tumby Umbi— 9:15am**

### **Australia Day Prayer**

Father, you reached out by the power of the Holy Spirit through Jesus your Son to show your love for all creation.

You invite everyone to share in your life made available to us in Jesus.

You established the Church to bring your good news to all people.

Let your Holy Spirit help us to be the presence of your saving love to all.

May that same Spirit help us to proclaim your good news in a way that is meaningful to people and touches their hearts.

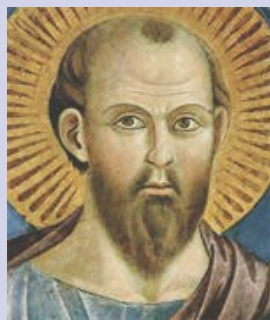
May we, like Mary, Help of Christians, have the courage of the cross, to fulfill the mission you gave us no matter what the cost. Sharing in his confidence and trust in you, we ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

*Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, Australia Day 2011*



**The Feast of the Conversion of St Paul, Apostle—25th January**



Today we celebrate the conversion of Saint Paul. On the road to Damascus, Saul is encountered by the Lord and undergoes a radical conversion. Saul, the former instrument of fear, terror and persecution, becomes Paul, the chosen instrument of God. His

life task now is to bring the good news of God's reconciling love to those who know nothing about it.

*Lord, I too am chosen by you as your ambassador. This brings me closer to you. You trust me to be the Good News in the present tense. Let me spot the signs of your presence as I try to do this. Amen*

**\$2000.00 could be ours to win!**

Please remember to VOTE for **Wyong Catholic Parish!**

\*Collect access sheet from the Church doors\*



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• <https://www.greater.com.au/greatercentralcoast>

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- Use the QR code
- Select the link when connects



**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 Yardin: 0411 524 232 - ASAP (Wrong number given previously)

**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 on 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.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING SUPPORT**

**250 NUMBERS SOLD**

Weekly Prizes are \$50 – 1<sup>st</sup> & \$20 – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Monthly Prizes are \$200 – 1<sup>st</sup> & \$50 – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
and will be last weekend of the month.

**250 Club Update**

DATE	Type	1 <sup>ST</sup>		2 <sup>nd</sup>	
20th/21st January	weekly	46	Tania Denley	137	Garry Greentree

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## PROPOSED PARISH CALENDAR DATES Up until APRIL 2024

(Modification of some dates may be necessary)

### JANUARY

- 21<sup>st</sup> – St Nino – St Peter's
- 2024 250 Club notification
- 26<sup>th</sup> – Australia Day
- 26<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> – volunteers' registration
- 31<sup>st</sup> – Greater vote concludes

### FEBRUARY

- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> – 250 club numbers sale commences
- 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

## SAFEGUARDING

### VOLUNTEER MEETING

15 Minute Volunteer meetings will be held after each Mass on the weekend of 27/28th January.

#### Why is this meeting necessary?

Government regulations require all organizations who use volunteers to have a complete and accurate record of all volunteers and their area(s) of service.

#### How will we meet this Government requirement?

Every volunteer must complete the special registration form. This form includes each volunteer's and parish's obligations; and volunteers' expectation of themselves to all other volunteers. The completed signed form submitted to the parish by every volunteer covers these obligations.

### 250 CLUB 2024

Thank you to everyone who was part of our 250 club, in 2023. This fundraising was very successful because of your support, and we are beginning to see results from the hard work of Gabbi, our youth minister.

Our club's first draw, provided all numbers are sold, will be published in the parish bulletin on **6/7 April**. With the sale of all 250 numbers, everything will be the same as 2023: -Sale of numbers commence from the weekend of **3/4 February**. 52 weeks of prizes- weekly, special monthly, and a major Christmas draw with all results published in the parish bulletin., The cost of a number will be \$60 and is payable in full or in installments. Sale of numbers will conclude on **20 March 2024**.

Information contact persons are:

**Maureen Roast 0435 245 849**

**Anne Hooley 0428 149 793**

**Kerry Bugden 4388 2938**

Thank you for your support.

### 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

### PARISH CONTACTS

Parish Priest **Fr Raul Balute, SOLT** ph:0450 115 099

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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

Youth Co-Ordinator **Gabbi Scherer**

Email: [gabbi.scherer@bbcatholic.org.au](mailto:gabbi.scherer@bbcatholic.org.au)

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

**FACEBOOK:** [www.facebook.com/wyongcatholicparish](https://www.facebook.com/wyongcatholicparish)

### 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

**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, Marc Sabat, 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, Dorrie Betts

**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.

21 January 2024

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading Jonah 3:1-5, 10

A reading from the prophet Jonah

*The Ninevites renounced their evil ways.*

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth from the greatest to the least.

God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 24:4-9

**R.** Teach me your ways, O Lord.

### Second Reading 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

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

*The world as we know it is passing away.*

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### Gospel Acclamation Mark 1:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near:

believe the Good News!

Alleluia!

### Gospel Mark 1:14-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*Repent, and believe the Good News.*

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.


Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets, he called them at once, and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

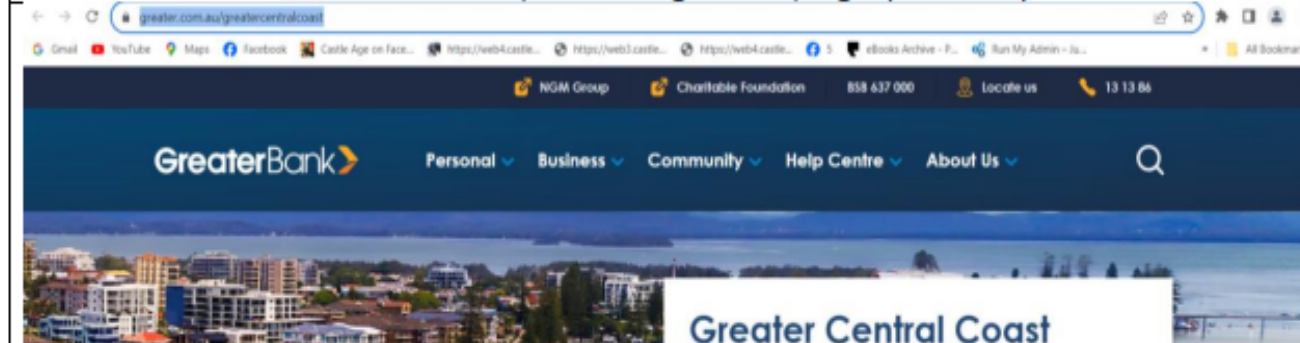
PLEASE SUPPORT OUR PARISH WITH YOUR VOTES, IF WE WIN, WE WILL GET \$2,000 ADDED TO OUR FUNDRAISING COFFERS.

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### STEP 3

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	<p><b>REMEMBER</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vote from all devices every 24 hours until 5pm 31 January</b></li> <li>• <b>Share with your friends, so they can vote too</b></li> </ul>
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## Installation Process for the St Cecilia Reliquary



### Timeline

<b><u>1 May 2023</u></b>	Father Raul approached Bishop Anthony to determine the authenticity of the relic.
<b><u>17 May 2023</u></b>	Bishop Anthony decreed the relic is authentic and would be installed.
<b><u>September 2023</u></b>	A committee was formed to begin the liturgical processes required
<b><u>October 2023</u></b>	The committee determined the date for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the official launch,</li> <li>• preparation of banner and</li> <li>• prayer cards.</li> </ul>
<b><i>OFFICIAL LAUNCH</i></b>	9:30 am Mass on Sunday, <b>26 November 2023</b> , followed by a celebratory morning tea.
<b><u>December 2023</u></b>	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.
<b><u>2024</u></b>	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.
<b><u>November 2024</u></b>	INSTALLATION OF THE RELIC
<b><u>Ongoing Activities</u></b>	Pastoral Activities e.g., Pilgrimages, Faith Formation, Workshops 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 Raúl 0450 115 099
- Maureen Roast 0435 245 849
- Anne Hooley 0428 149 793

Contact will be made with Diocesan Safeguarding Office



Our Community is **SAFE**