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### 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, Martin Wicks, Leeann Hazelton, Catherine Amey, Philip Dwyer, Bernadette Kiely, Ross Tollow.

**Rec Deceased:** Rod Fraser, Fr John Barry OSA, Johnene Giacomelli, Fr Denis Callahan, Maria Muscat, Anne Williams, Carmen Buttigieg, Janet Ellis, Will Ferris, Nicholas Zammit (Micallef)

**Anniversary:** Bill Cullinan, John Kiernan, Rosie Attard (1st), Natividad Dieta, Rita Muscat (1st), Eladia Homala (Birthday Anniv), Sophie Roe, Peter White, Patricia Unger, Bill Martin, Tony Kerr.

### Safeguarding Message

National Catholic Safeguarding Standards: Leadership, monitoring & improvement

### Standard 1 – Committed leadership, governance and culture

Key Elements of Standard 1:

- A commitment to Safeguarding
- Promoting a Safeguarding Culture
- Safeguarding Policies
- Code of Conduct

### Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Times

#### St Cecilia's Church

23 Byron St Wyong

Sat Vigil 5.00pm Sun 7.30am & 9.30am

#### St John Fisher Mass Centre

Hicks Lane Tumbi Umbi

Sat Vigil 5.00 pm Sun: 8.30am & 5pm

### Weekday Mass

St Cecilia's : Mon-Sat: 8.00am

#### St John Fisher:

Mon, Wed, Thurs 8:00am

Tue & Fri: 9.15am

### Eucharistic Adoration

St Cecilia's Daily 7am-8am

St John Fisher 1st Friday 8.15 - 9.15am

St Cecilia's 1st Friday of the month 7pm mass

followed by prayers - Mass Midnight

concluding 1am Saturday

### Reconciliation/Confession

St Cecilia's Saturday morning after the 8am

Mass & Saturday at 4.30pm

St John Fisher Saturday at 4.30pm

### Anointing of the Sick (First Friday)

St Cecilia's During 8.00am & 11.30am Mass

St John Fisher During 9.15am Mass

### Monthly Mass

St Barnabas Yarramalong 1st Sunday  
11.15am

Filipino Mass Every 3rd Sunday 12pm

### Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Sat St Cecilia's & Wed St John Fisher

(after the 8:00am 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 **Wyong Nursing Home** 2nd

Wednesday of the month and

**Berkley Vale Nursing home** 3rd

Wednesday of the Month

### Meetings/prayer groups

St Cecilia's Choir practice every Tues  
night 7 to 8pm

St Cecilia's Rosary Group 2pm Tues

St Cecilia's Legion of Mary 8am Wed

### Liturgy Meeting

### Catechist Meeting

### Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

**Social Justice Meeting 25th Feb 1.15pm**

# 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)



## 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Reflection for 23rd February 2020

On a compass, east is the farthest point from west and they will never meet. The Psalmist uses similar imagery to show how far our forgiving God removes our transgressions from us. Still, the people need to remember the second great commandment of loving their neighbour. Rather than bearing grudges or having hearts full of hatred, they are called to be holy because God is holy. Paul puts this another way, reminding them that they are temples of the Holy Spirit in which God dwells. They belong to Christ and are to treat one another reverently.

Jesus knows that violence can spiral dangerously out of control. He teaches the people how it can be overcome—pay back good for evil, pray for those who wrong you, turn the other cheek, go the extra distance in helping someone, lend and give generously without expecting anything. Jesus reminds them that in doing these things they are responding as children of their compassionate and merciful Father.

These readings are still relevant. We are saddened and disturbed by the violence and cruelty in our society. As a follower of Christ, and a child of God, am I able to show I take Jesus' teaching to heart by loving, reverencing and serving my neighbour?

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**World Day of Prayer** is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome all to join in prayer and action for peace and justice.

It is Wyong Parish's turn to host this event this March, however for this to be possible we will need someone to volunteer their time to help coordinate the liturgy. **If you feel you can help please contact Pauline Cornwell on 4352 1948.**

**Quote:**

*As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst...He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you." St Teresa of Calcutta*

**Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for February; Listen to the Migrants' Cries.** We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

**St Cecilia's Church Cleaning Rosters** These rosters are available for your collection at the back of the Church. We sincerely thank you for assisting us in keeping our Church beautifully clean.

**7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Readings: 23rd February 2020**  
**First Reading** Lev 19:1-2  
**Second Reading** 1 Cor 3:16-23  
**Gospel** Mt 5:38-48  
 You may view next week's readings by visiting this web site: <http://www.usccb.org/bible/>



**Ash Wednesday Masses 26th February**

**Wyong**  
 8am St Cecilia's Church  
 10am St Cecilia's School  
 6pm St Cecilia's Church

**Tumbi Umbi**  
 9.15am St John Fisher School  
 (Please note there will be no 8am Mass at St John Fisher)

**Parish Lenten Preparation**

St Cecilia's Church  
 Friday evenings in Lent  
 28 Feb, 6, 13, 20, 27 March and 3 April 2020.

6.30pm Stations of the Cross  
 7pm - 8pm The Light is on (Adoration & Reconciliation)

**Through Lent with Mark's Gospel**  
 We invite catechists and friends to stop and reflect during your Lenten journey. Join us for a Lenten Spirituality morning with Mark's Gospel.

**Monday 16th March 2020**  
**St Cecilia's Parish Centre**  
**23 Byron Street Wyong**  
**9.30am to 12.30pm**

**Catechist Sunday—Sunday 23 February 2020**

**AMAZING CATECHISTS**

Catechist Sunday is an annual event in the CCD Calendar. It originated in 1935 when the Vatican published a document 'On the Better Care and Promotion of Catechetical Education', which acknowledged the importance of the Church's teaching ministry and asked every country to honour those catechists who serve within their Christian communities.

As Catechists begin another year of teaching Special Religious Education (SRE) to Catholic children who attend public schools in the parish, let us give thanks for their ministry and pray for their work that it will bear fruit in the hearts and minds of the children and their families.

This special ministry forms an integral dimension and expression of our Parish evangelization and reaches well beyond the boundaries of our Church.

**This weekend at all our Masses, Father will conduct a Catechist Renewal of Commitment Ceremony.**

**We value our Catechists in their special ministry and we invite anyone who would like to join this ministry to please contact us and we can support you in your training.**

**Parish Fundraiser**

Just giving you some advance notice that we will be having a **Parish Fundraiser on 14th/15th March at all St Cecilia's Masses.**

Rae Bof is madly knitting the 'cutest' Easter gifts which will make a perfect gift for someone. Please see our noticeboard for a 'sneak peak'.



**Pilgrimage to The Entrance Parish**

**On Monday 9th March there will be NO 8am Mass at both St Cecilia's Church and St John Fisher Mass Centre.**

We invite all parishioners to come along with Fr Raul and Fr Alex to attend the 9am Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary The Entrance, followed by veneration and devotion to St Therese of Lisieux and her parents, Ss Zelig and Louis Martin.

**Save the date!**

The National Pilgrimage of the Relics of St Therese of Lisieux and her parents, Ss Zelig & Louis Martin, will arrive at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, The Entrance:

**Sunday 8 March 8pm to Monday 9 March at 5pm**  
 Veneration of the Relics and devotions will take place during an overnight vigil and throughout following day. For more information, please see our noticeboard or flyers provided.



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