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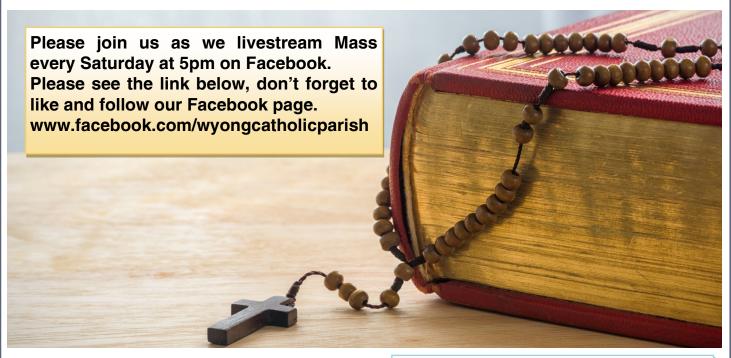
25TH OCTOBER 2020, 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

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





Sunday Mass 25 October 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 EXODUS 22:20-26

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS 17:2-4, 47, 51

R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

SECOND READING 1 THESSALONIANS 1:5-10

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread - and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.





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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION JOHN 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

GOSPEL MATTHEW 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

REFLECTION 25TH OCTOBER

The Gospel reading for this Sunday contains the great commandment Jesus gave us to love God and to love one another as ourselves. The verse that 'you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind' can be broken down into its three elements: heart, soul and mind. 1) Loving God with you heart requires a deep commitment to give yourself daily to God, accepting that all things flow from God and return to God. 2) Loving God with your soul—allows you to reflect and contemplate God and to pray constantly and with sincerity and gratitude. 3) Lastly, loving God with your mind compels you to give both your head and your heart to God. Our mind is often caught up in logical and rational thought and can easily embrace the 'prove it to me' mentality. However, loving God with one's mind requires a deep humility to accept that God exceeds our understanding and is beyond the depth of the human intellect. How do you love God each day – with heart, soul and mind?

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PRAYER

Lord your words are spirit and life.

They give me the strength and wisdom I need to be open to all the possibilities that I will encounter today.

Help me to witness to your goodness and kindness to those I meet today.

You have given me and them the grace we need to bring our families and communities closer to you.

May we be open to hearing your word and allowing your Spirit to guide and nourish us today.

By a Columban Missionary Source: columban.org

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October

THE LAITY'S MISSION IN THE CHURCH

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

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It's time to say Farewell!!

It is with a sad heart we farewell our much loved parishioners **Irene Buckley** (Sat 5pm Mass Wyong) and **Francis and Vince Allport** (Sun 8.30am Mass Tumbi) at Mass this weekend.

We will miss you dearly, good luck and best wishes, our prayers go with you. xoxoxoxo

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:

ANNIVERSARY OCTOBER: Kerry Baldwin, Agnes Myers, James Smith, Michael Bouchet, Jill Hill, Eileen Preston, Matthew Di Losa, Zenaida, Barry Austin, Donald King.

PRAYER

WE PRAY FOR ALL THE STUDENTS SITTING THEIR HSC EXAMS

Heavenly Father, we bring before you our HSC students. Give them the gifts of wisdom, right judgement, knowledge and courage. Bless them with calm hearts and clarity of mind as they sit for their exams. May they be affirmed in their efforts and may they know that you are there with them. We pray that they will stay calm under pressure and work to the best of their ability. May they feel your loving presence in their lives, now and always, and may they be strengthened by the prayerful support of their families and communities. Amen.





Anniversaries

Best Wishes

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Father Raul 7/10/1971 Christine Greentree 10/10/1949 Brian Bugden 10/10/1938 Mark Helm 12/10/66 John Baxter 25/10/ Father Alex 31/10/71

Warmest Congratulations

ANNIVERSARIES

Kerrie and Anthony Dedera 16/10/1982 Margaret & Michael Drain 18/10/1974



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OCTOBER OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary.

The Rosary is a way of contemplating the face of Christ, seeing him, we may say, with the eyes of Mary.' (Pope John Paul 11).

The Rosary is recited every day after the 8am Mass at Wyong.

100 AND SOMETHING 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.116 3rd Prize \$40 Noreen Bolten Wood no.54

WEEK 2 WINNERS

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

WEEKS 3 – 9

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

Week 10

1st Prize \$450

2nd Prize \$250

3rd Prize \$150

4th Prize \$50.

3rd draw is Sunday 25th October after the 8.30am Mass at St John Fisher. Good luck!

RETURN AND EARN

From when we started collecting recycled bottles in October 2019 RETURN AND EARN HAS RAISED \$1283.80 TO DATE.

November

Month of Remembrance

It is customary for us to acknowledge All Souls in November.

"It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins." 2 Maccabees 12.46

Our Book of Remembrance (Memorial) in the parish will be put up near the Sanctuary of St Cecilia's Church from All Souls Day and will remain throughout November.

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.



BROKEN BAY NEWS has been sent to print and should be in parishes by early next week. The digital edition is now online and you can share the link in your parish newsletters.

https://issuu.com/bbcatholic/docs/broken bay news october 2020 issue 20

Most Rev Anthony Randazzo Bishop of Broken Bay

Message for BBNeighbourhoods 20 October 2020

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

It is hard to believe that ten years have gone by since Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop was canonised in Rome. I was fortunate to be at Saint Peter's for the occasion, the memory of which will remain with me forever.

During the Mass and ceremony, I realised that this amazing woman no longer belonged to the Sisters of Saint Joseph, not simply to us in Australia. From that time on Mary MacKillop was to be recognised as a Saint for the Universal Church.

I have put a few thoughts on video this week which you might like to watch here https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QFHXdGcwTo4&feature=youtu.be

Might I also make a request of your prayers in these coming days as our year 12 students are undertaking their HSC exams. It has certainly been a challenging year for them, and yet, when I travel around the Diocese and speak with them, I am constantly delighted by the fine young women and men that they are.

Let's keep them in our thoughts and prayer and give an encouraging word to assure them that we are supporting them and that we love them.

Blessings and thanks,

+Anthony

CONGRATULATIONS DEACON ALDRIN VALDEHUEZA

Deacon Aldrin Valdehueza was ordained to the Diaconate last Wednesday night, 14 October, at Our Lady of Dolours, Chatswood, by Bishop Anthony Randazzo. Congratulations Aldrin!

Sam French is the third part of the Trilogy of Ordinations (according to Bishop Anthony!), with his Ordination to the Diaconate taking place on Thursday 22 October at 7.30pm at St Agatha's, Pennant Hills. Again, the event is invitation-only because of COVID-19 restrictions, but everyone is welcome to watch the Mass on live stream on St Agatha's YouTube channel: https://youtu.be/7fQtu314t80

Please keep Sam in your prayers this week.

WEEKEND AND WEEKDAY MASSES

St Cecilia's Church and St John Fisher Mass Ctr have a **limitation of 45 people per Mass**, we kindly remind you that you <u>MUST</u> 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

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

ST JOHN FISHER MASS CTR

- 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 <u>Must</u> 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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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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Society of Our Lady of The Most Holy Trinity (SOLT) BSB 062 195 Account 10229389

2ND COLLECTION; Wyong Catholic Parish BSB 062 784

Account 13528001

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