

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
PARISH BULLETIN, 2ND JANUARY 2022

We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord.

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 2nd January

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The visit of the Magi or three kings to the infant Jesus is a beautiful and touching event, recorded in Matthew's Gospel only. Each of the gifts offered is an eloquent symbol of Christ's future destiny. The splendour of gold represents kingship and sovereignty. Frankincense, delicate and richly aromatic, expresses the mystery of his divinity. The bitterness of myrrh, an analgesic sap extracted from a small, thorny tree, foretells the pain and suffering which lay ahead. Let each of us, like the Magi, seek out and follow the star which will lead us to our Saviour. No matter how oppressive the blackness may be which envelops us, no matter how empty and barren may seem the sky which looms above us, the small star - Hopes - shall not fail to shine through, if we seek it with open eyes. May we follow its golden radiance, even if it be but the faintest glimmer; for it will surely lead us to that tranquil resting place where our God abides.

Anointing of the Sick Friday 7th January

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

PLEASE NOTE:

Parish Office is currently closed and will reopen Wednesday 12th January. During January the office will only be open:

Wed 12th/ Thurs 13th and

Wed 19th/ Thurs 20th and Thursday 27th.

Office hours will return to normal Monday 31st January.

For emergency's please call

Fr Raul 0450 115 099

Fr Alex 0432 947 245

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

A very sincere thank you for everyone's generous donations. Your contributions have assisted us in putting together Christmas hampers which will be distributed to the needy families in our area. Thank you for your continued support.

We wish you all a very happy and Blessed Christmas.

Wyong Conference Centre

WYONG CATHOLIC PARISH is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. We uphold that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult.

On behalf of Fr Alex, Jo and Helen,

I wish you and your families a very Blessed and Happy Christmas.

Thank you to every single parishioner who by your presence, your prayer, and your contributions, great and small, help to build up the family of God in this parish.

Your continued Commitment and support is greatly valued.

May God's Blessings be upon you and your families and may the Peace of His Love be with you at Christmas and always.

Fr Raul

Wyong Shire Filipino-Australian Devotees' Celebration of Faith Viva Senor Sto Nino (Feast of the Holy Child)

Journeying together in Communion, and active Participation in the Mission of the Church

16th January 2022

St John Fisher Hicks Lane Tumby Umbi

11am (9th Day Novena)

11.30am Procession

12pm Mass

Sto Nino Devotees' assembly and procession (Please bring your Sto Nino images for blessing)

Followed by procession, lunch sharing and cultural program (Please bring a plate to share) For more information please call Ramon 0410 115 099, Mona Santos 0406 998 422



A SPECIAL PRAYER FOR YOU

*'May you be filled with the wonder of Mary,
the obedience of Joseph,
the joy of the angels,
the eagerness of the shepherds,
the determination of the magi,
and the peace of the Christ child.
Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit
bless you now and forever'.*

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The EPIPHANY of the LORD
Sunday Mass 2nd January 2022
THE LITURGY OF THE WORD *Reproduced from Liturgia*

FIRST READING DANIEL 7:13-14

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man. He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants. His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire be destroyed.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS 92:1-2, 5

R. The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. R.

The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are. R.

Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time. R.

SECOND READING REVELATION 1:5-8

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION MARK 11:9, 10

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL JOHN 18:33-37

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'



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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

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

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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

St Barnabas, Yarramalong
1st Sun of month 11.15am

Eucharistic Adoration

St Cecilia's Daily 7am-8am

St John Fisher 1st Fri 8.15 - 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

Fr Raul/Fr Alex and the Legion of Mary visit **Berkley Vale Nursing home** 3rd Wednesday of the Month

Children's Liturgy

St Cecilia's 5pm Mass Saturday

St John Fisher 5pm Mass Sunday

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 4388 2938

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS
PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayer: The most valuable gift you can give someone.

SICK: Len Miller, 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, John Baxter, Jacqui Stacey, Josie Campbell, Carol Dafter, Dave Rodney, Gwen Dwyer, Helen Waters, Rod & Pauline Cornwell, Marie & Peter Rheinberger, Clara Banda, Hannah Hopwood, Fay King.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARY JANUARY: Sophie Roe, Peter White, Patricia Unger, Bill Martin, Tony Kerr, Armida Bito-on, Kevin Booth

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