

W E L C O M E

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son,
that all who believe in him might have eternal life

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*

30TH OCTOBER 2022 31st SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME Year C

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ST CECILIA'S CHURCH, ST JOHN FISHER MASS CTR & ST PETER'S CHAPEL

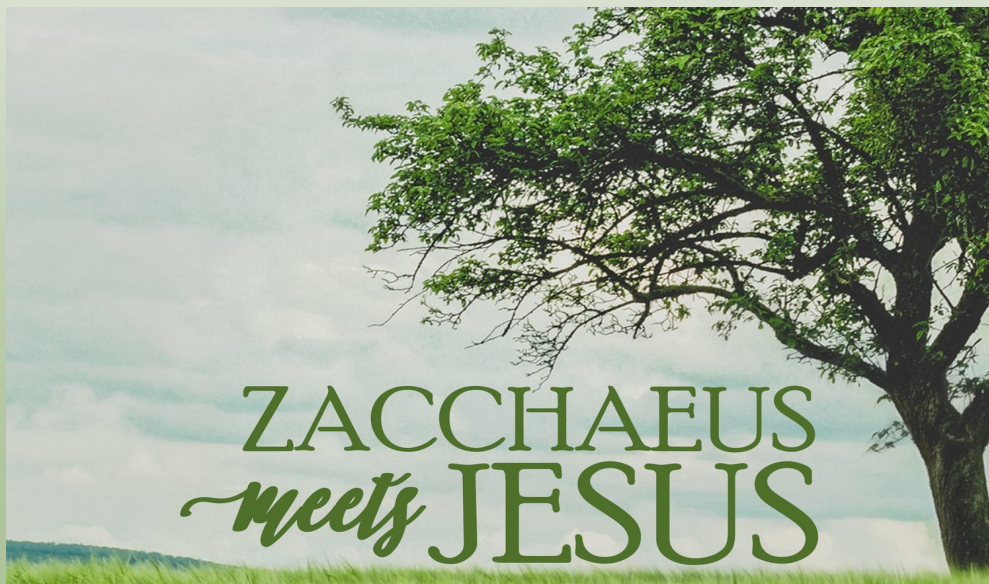
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Reflection *31st Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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Zacchaeus wanted to 'see' Jesus, while Jesus wanted to 'meet and stay' with Zacchaeus. The subtle difference in intent between Jesus and Zacchaeus has implications for our relationship with God. God wants to be engaged in our lives, to meet and stay with us where we are, sharing his forgiving love and presence. If we let him into our lives, we will go through a Zacchaeus-experience: everything I have, I am willing to share, to give up everything to receive the giver of all things into my life! From a mere desire to see, Zacchaeus takes Jesus home, regardless of what others think. Without being asked, he declares that he will share his wealth with the poor, not out of selfish motives but obviously moved by Jesus' love. His life's priorities straightened out, money was no longer the driving force. All he cared about was to follow Jesus. We can learn much from Zacchaeus in our daily life. An effort to catch a glimpse of Jesus will have him waiting for us, inviting himself into our hearts. When we take one step towards God, he takes several towards us. Do we still only want to 'see' Jesus or to 'meet' and be transformed by him forever?



Birthday Blessings 31st Oct

Happy Birthday Fr Alex.
May the Lord Bless you
on your birthday and
always. We hope your
day is special.



Anointing of the Sick

Friday 4th November

First Friday of the Month

St Cecilia's During 8.00am & 11.30am
Mass

St John Fisher During 9.15am Mass

Upcoming Events/meeting

ALL SAINTS

1st November Tuesday - Mass
St Cecilia's 8am & St John Fisher
9.15am

ALL SOULS DAY

2nd November Wednesday - Mass
St Cecilia's 8am &
St John Fisher 9.15am

Baptism Preparation

5th November 10.00am

Spouses Remembrance Mass.

All weekend Masses 5th/6th Nov

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

8th November 6pm

St Cecilia's Feast Day

Tuesday 22nd November

Bunnings BBQ

Saturday 3rd December

Parish Christmas Get Together dinner

Friday 16th Dec 6.00pm

St John Fisher Hall. All Welcome.

Tuesday, 1st November ALL SAINTS

St Cecilia's Church

8am Mass

St John Fisher Mass Ctr

9.15am Mass

Wednesday, 2nd November The COMMEMORATION of ALL the FAITHFUL DEPARTED (All Souls' Day)

St Cecilia's Church

8am Mass

8.30am Confession

St John Fisher Mass Ctr

9.15am Mass

9.45am Confession

November is a special time to pray for the dead. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead, once only, by visiting a church on 2nd November and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed.

Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence: Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the pope's intentions.

100 Club Fundraising Update

A special thank you to all parishioners who supported this fundraising. We exceeded the 100 numbers, which is an outstanding effort. Numbers will run from 1-130.

As promised, the prizes have been altered because of the extra numbers sold. These changes are in the form of additional prizes, as well as increase to the value of some prizes.

New prizes are: Minor Draws Nos. 1-9
\$80.00; \$40.00; and \$20.00

Major Draw No. 10
\$500.00; \$250.00; \$150.00; and \$100.00

The first draw result will be published in the Church Bulletin on the 5/6 November and the remaining eight minor results in the weekend bulletin in the following weeks.

Major Draw will occur at the Christmas Function on 16 December at Tumbi Umbi.

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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.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention October

A Church Open to Everyone

We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

For every lesson you've prepared The love of God has been shared

We will be having a Catechist drive this weekend at all our Masses where our Catechists will share their experiences with us.

If you are considering becoming a Catechist/Helper please call Micheline on 0411 524 232.

We take this opportunity to sincerely thank the Catechist/Helpers of our parish for sharing the Joy, Love and Faith of Jesus with the children.

Spouses Remembrance Mass

At all weekend Masses 5th/6th Nov, all parishioners are invited to remember and pray for our deceased spouses and loved ones.

We will invite you to light a candle during our Mass for your loved one.

Free Ageing Well Program

Drawing on expertise from Catholic Healthcare industry experts, Ageing Well is a free five-part masterclass series covers everything from staying connected to your community, diet and exercise, to why mental health matters as we age. Gather with like-minded individuals and receive practical advice so you can live life to the full.

Ageing Well starts Wednesday, 16 November, 10.30am-11.30am at St Mary MacKillop Church down the road!

For more information, visit <https://www.catholichealthcare.com.au/events/ageing-well/>. or Catholic Healthcare's website [catholichealthcare.com.au](https://www.catholichealthcare.com.au) or email communications@chcs.com.au.

Spirituality in the Pub (SIP) Meeting 7.30-9.00pm Tuesday 8th November at the Grange Hotel, Wyoming. SIP is fortunate to have prominent Australian **ROBERT FITZGERALD AM** as its special guest speaker for its final meeting in 2022. Hotel bistro opens at 5.30pm. SIP enquiries: 0415 129250 or 0439 678608.



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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 Tumby 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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Fri 9.30am to 12pm

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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 8.15 - 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

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

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, 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 & Peter Rheinberger, Hannah Hopwood, Fay King, Joan Mabbutt, Irene Dainty, John Cornwell, Eoin, Paula, Peter Meury, Lyn Nash, Eli Jennings.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Francis (Frank) Trinca, Christine Burns, Patricia Doyle.

ANNIVERSARY OCTOBER: Margaret Donnelly, Frank Costa, Kerry Baldwin, Eileen Preston, James Smith.

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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.

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, 30th October 2022

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD *Reproduced from Liturgia*

First Reading Wisdom 11:22 - 12:2

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground. Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent. Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it and how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you?

You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all.

Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14

R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Second Reading 2 Thessalonians 1:11 - 2:2

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

Gospel Acclamation John 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 19:1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor' and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'

Voice of the People

Vox Populi 26th October 2022

The Diocese of Broken Bay now has Australia's first national Shrine to St John Paul II – but it is a Shrine for all of Australia. More than a thousand people gathered at St Patrick's Church, East Gosford last Saturday to celebrate the inauguration of the Shrine to St John Paul II and the installation of two first-class relics.

Parishioners and people from across the Diocese of Broken Bay and beyond filled the Church to overflowing with Most Rev Anthony Randazzo DD JCL, Bishop of Broken Bay, dedicating the Shrine and installing the relics of the much-loved saint.

During his homily Bishop Randazzo said that the Shrine must first and foremost be a sanctuary of love because love was the very centre of the life of Saint John Paul II.

"It was this love, genuinely lived by a man of great human charism, which was so attractive to others. So much so, that his life and ministry gave courage to believers across the world, to live the Christian vocation, without fear," Bishop Randazzo said.

The two relics, some blood and strands of hair saved during St John Paul II's 27-year Pontificate, were processed through the Church and installed in a reliquary at the front of the Church. A specially commissioned painting of St John Paul II by a Polish artist was also unveiled on Saturday, along with a 3.5 metre statue of the saint, which stands outside the Church's main entrance.

St Patrick's Parish Priest, Polish-born Fr Greg Skulski SDS approached Bishop Randazzo at the beginning of the year for permission to obtain the first-class relics and establish a Shrine to the former Pope who was canonised in 2014.

"I was very keen and excited to see the project go ahead," Bishop Randazzo said.

"I am confident that the Shrine will become one of the great Pilgrimage places in Australia. It will be a place for all people, believer and non-believer alike, to seek the truth of the Gospel, the Good News of Jesus Christ; the only news which is good for everyone."

An army of volunteers worked for many months to ensure everything was in readiness for Saturday – 22 October and the feast day of St John Paul II.

"Having the relics here, is great for these people to be more inspired by his life and his teachings," said Fr Greg. "St John Paul II is truly a saint of our times, known to everyone. This is the first Shrine dedicated to him in Australia. He is an inspiration to many generations," he said.

The relics have had a long journey from the Vatican to East Gosford. The strands of hair were taken from St John Paul II while he was Pope, in residence at the Vatican. They were kept by Archbishop Mieczyslaw Mokrzycki, one of the Pope's private secretaries, in Lviv, Ukraine. From Lviv they were taken to Krakow, Poland by Father Damian Pankowiak SDS, just one week before Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Fr Greg acquired the hairs in Krakow and brought them to Gosford.



The blood was collected from St John Paul II during surgery while he was Pope. They were kept by Cardinal Stanislaw Dziwisz, the principal private secretary of the Pope, in Krakow, following the Pontiff's death and brought to Gosford by Father George Kolodziej SDS, Congregational Leader of the Salvatorians in Australia.

Relics of saints are not worshipped but venerated as a means of asking for the intercession of that saint. They direct us towards the life and faith of the saint, which directs us towards God. Bishop Randazzo also officially opened and blessed the adjacent Pastoral Centre, which will form part of the pilgrimage site. It will include a display dedicated to St John Paul II, and facilities for speakers and conferences.

"I encourage people throughout the Diocese, and indeed right around the country, to visit the Shrine. Make this Shrine, this sanctuary of love, a place to intercede through St John Paul II for vocations, to the married life, to the consecrated life, to the single life and to the ordained priestly and diaconal life. This will become a great powerhouse to continue the wonderful work that is already happening in this Diocese and in the Church right across Australia.

"I hope and pray that our prayers will radiate from this sanctuary, from this Shrine, for the good of our Church and for the good of the world in which we live."

The Shrine will be open daily, and the relics will be permanently housed in the reliquary, allowing people to come and pray before them throughout the year. The full Installation Mass can be viewed at <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/jpii/home>



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Tuesday 29 November	6:00pm - 8:00pm	22 November
Thursday 8 December	1:30pm - 3:30pm	24 November
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Thursday 19 January	10:00am - 12:00pm	12 January
Friday 20 January	10:00am - 12:00pm	13 January

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Light refreshments to follow

*For catering and planning purposes, it would be greatly appreciated if
you could advise us if you and any family members will be attending.*

Please RSVP to:

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