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SONIA LA MOTTE-SCHUBERT

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OFFICE HOURS

9:30 AM - 3:00 PM MONDAY TO FRIDAY

PRIESTS:

FR ANDREW FEWINGS, MODERATOR FR DENIB JOSETTE (DJ) SUGUITAN FR JOHN PAUL (JP) PASALA PASTORAL LEADER OF TALLANGATTA & CORRYONG) PH: 60243366

MERCY PRESENCE SISTER EILEEN REARDON PH: 0458 327 554 (MT BEAUTY)

WEEKEND MASSES:

WODONGA: SACRED HEART CHURCH SATURDAY @ 5:00 PM. SUNDAY @ 8:30 AM & 10.30 AM

WODONGA: STAUGUSTINE'S CHURCH SATURDAY @ 9:15 AM

TANGAMBALANGA:
OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH
3RD SUNDAY @ 10.30 AM MASS

DEDERANG: STJOSEPH'S CHURCH IST SUNDAY @ 10.30 AM MASS

MTBEAUTY: ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH IST & 3RD SUNDAY @ 8.30 AM

TALLANGATTA: STMICHAEL'S CHURCH 2ND & 4TH SUNDAY - @ 11:00 AM

CORRYONG: SACRED HEART CHURCH 2ND & 4TH SUNDAY @ 8:30 AM

WALWA: CHRIST THE KING CHURCH 2ND & 4TH SATURDAY @ 4:00 PM

SANDY CREEK: STMICHAEL'S CHURCH 5TH SUNDAY @ 8:30 AM

MITTA MITTA: ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH 5TH SUNDAY @ 11:00 AM

WODONGA

SACRED HEART CHURCH SYRO-MALABAR MASS 6:30PM 2ND & 4TH SATURDAYS:

WEEKDAY MASS:

WODONGA

STAUGUSTINE'S CHURCH MONDAY @ 9:15 AM

SACRED HEART CHURCH TUESDAY TO FRIDAY @ 9:15 AM

RECONCILIATION:

BEFORE MASSES

WODONGA STAUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, SATURDAY @ 8:45 AMTO 9:10AM COUNTRY CHURCHES



Catholic Parishes Corryong-Tallangatta-Wodonga

SACRED HEART * ST AUGUSTINE'S * ST JOSEPH'S * OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS * ST MICHAEL'S * CHRIST THE KING WODONGA | TANGAMBALANGA | DEDERANG | MT BEAUTY | TALLANGATTA | CORRYONG | WALWA | SANDY CREEK | MITTA MITTA

Acknowledgement of Country
Wodonga Catholic Parish, acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land where
our churches, schools and buildings are located. We pay our respect to the Aboriginal people and elders past
and present whose spirits dwell in this land.
May the spirit of this ancient land be always with us

18-May-2025 The Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year C

Looking at the Readings

The fourth Gospel is the last to be composed; commentators agree the Gospel we have was completed after the death of John the Apostle. It emphasises the "Works of Jesus", often as signs and the "Words of Jesus." From the beginning we read that Christ is the Word made Flesh and that He is glorified by the Father and the Holy Spirit. The cross is regarded as a sign of his glory rather than an instrument of execution. The Gospel today is read in the light of the author's approach: "the Son will be glorified" and the giving of the new commandment of love. While love of neighbour is found in the Old Testament and in sacred faiths, other Jesus adds to the commandment: "As I have loved you." Love has the horizonal dimension in that we love neighbour and even our enemies and the vertical dimension in that we enjoy the love of Father, Son and Spirit and we come to the peace and unity in God. The symbol of the Cross also has both the horizontal and vertical dimensions.

We find our Christian identity by our love and charity and by the church's mission and ministry. From Jesus' words we have the sense of: "the now but not yet." Now he will be glorified, but soon he will return in radiant glory. Now we have his love and grace, soon we will be taken up with him into eternal life.

A Prayer for this week

O God, who constantly feed and strengthen the Church with your Sacraments, grant to us, who have been nourished at the heavenly table, that, by obeying your teachings of love, we may become for the human family a life-giving leaven and a means to salvation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. *Prayer after Communion, Mass for the Church A, Roman Missal*

Solemnity of Our Lady, Help of Christians

Patroness of Australian, Feast Day on Saturday 24 May

Under the title of Help of Christians, Mary was chosen as Patroness of Australasia by the First Provincial Synod, convened by Archbishop Bede Polding, in Sydney in 1844. The fledgling colonies needed Mary's help at that time, as the nation does today. We are helped through Mary's powerful intercession, and through the example of her life that we find in the Gospel. (Source: Universalis)



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Recent Deaths

Anniversaries:

Monsignor Frank Hickey, Lloyd Pendergast, Simone Radcliffe, Louis Lieberman, Win Hayward, Elsie Schuntner, Janko Bravar, Ethel Dow, Mary Christensen, May Crompvoets, Zvonko Bicanic.

Those Who are Unwell:

Salome Ramirez, Neta Lawson, Janet Griffiths, Wil McInnes, Anne Magginity, Colin La Motte, David Evans, Barbara Smith, John Hodson, Eloise Hill, Geoffrey Halford, Rosanna Jackson, Linda Hall, Genevieve Govers, Kerstin Lancaster, Robert Anderson, parishioners who are ill, their families & carers.

Would you like your loved ones recent death, anniversary or ill health acknowledged in this bulletin for prayers to be offered? Please pass the information on to the Priest or email Sonni E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au. OR Ph: 0260243366. Due to privacy laws we are unable to place names in the bulletin unless requested by a relative.

RCIA Invitation

On Sunday, May 25th we are delighted to welcome Andrew Riley and Emmerson Van der Burg into our faith community at Sacred Heart Church, Wodonga, where they will be Baptised, Confirmed and receive their First Eucharist during the 8:30am Mass.

WE INVITE ALL PARISHIONERS TO JOIN US FOR A CELEBRATORY MORNING TEA FOLLOWING THE MASS.

CONTRIBUTIONS OF FOOD FOR THIS GATHERING WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

Come and share in this joyous occasion as we celebrate Andrew and Emmerson's spiritual journey. Your presence and generosity will make this day unforgettable. Let's take this opportunity to strengthen our bonds and support each other in faith and fellowship.

Scam-Fraud Detection and Prevention Information Session

You are invited to an informative session that will focus on various aspects of identity theft. Bank fraud, scam emails, phone calls, and other types of fraudulent activities.

Event Details:

Date: Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Time: 2:00 PM

Location: Wodonga Catholic Parish Centre, 283 Beechworth Rd, Wodonga

To assist with catering for a light afternoon tea, please **RSVP** to John Coleman by texting **0401 555 160** or via email at <u>vjcoleman14@yahoo.com.au</u> by **Friday, May 17, 2025.**

Welcome:

Wodonga Catholic Parish warmly welcomes the First Reconciliation candidates and their families as they continue their faith journey during all Masses this weekend.

Eucharist at Home

Would you or someone you know appreciate receiving the Eucharist at home? Perhaps a visit from one of our priests would be meaningful? If so, please reach out to our staff at the Parish Centre. They would be more than happy to assist you in making arrangements. Contact us Ph: 0260243366 or E: wodcath@bigpond.net.au.

Volunteering in Our Parish

Are you aware of your duties as a volunteer in our Parish? If you're unsure, please contact Sonni, our Parish Safeguarding representative, for any details you might need. You can reach her at:

- Phone: 060243366
- Email: wodcath@bigpond.net.au

If you have any questions or concerns regarding safety in our Parish, don't hesitate to speak with our office manager or refer to the Reporting Process Poster located in our Church.

Parishioners Please Note:

The annual 'Congregation Mass Count' takes place at all Masses during the month of May.







Sacred Heart Church Cleaning: Volunteers

Sacred Heart Sacristy: Mary Harkness & Jennifer Flower

<u>Dederang - 01 June</u>

Lectors/Altar Servers

5:00pm 8:30am 10:30am

Volunteer Altar Server: Altar Server: Altar Server: Volunteer Volunteer Jenny Sinnott Lector 1: Kerrie Kerr Lector 1: Marg Ware Lector 1: Joe Maccioni Lector 2: Matthew Ley Lector 2: Ross Black Lector 2:

Eucharistic Ministers

Mick, Clive & Mavis 5:00pm: 8:30am: Dave, Erris & Anne K 10:30am: Nina, Helen & Gerard

Counters

This Week: TEAM 3: Volunteers

Next Week: TEAM 4: Margo Dare, Pauline Acott & Kath Didier

Mt Beauty - 1st June

Lector: Bruce First / Second Reading: Sharon

Back Up: Deb Welcome/Psalm/PoF: Alanna

Commentator: Mary-Anne

PowerPoint: Eileen C PowerPoint: Diane

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him,

God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon.

My little children,

I shall not be with you much longer.

I give you a new commandment:

love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another.

By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples'.

Readings this week

Acts 14:21-27 Apocalypse 21:1-5

John 13:31-35

John 14:23-29

Entrance Antiphon:

Sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked

wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his

deliverance, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm:

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

Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

Gospel Acclamation: Reading next week:

Acts 15:1-2,22-29

Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, hear our prayer.





SYRO-MALABAR RITE MASS 2ND & 4TH SAT OF THE MONTH-7PM SHC WOD

THE EL-SHADDAI CHARISMATIC MASS THE 3RD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

WCP PARISH FINANCE TEAM MEET 4TH FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

CCR PRAYER GROUP MEET WEDNESDAY'S - FORTNIGHTLY

WCP PARISH SAFEGUARDING TEAM 1ST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM BEGINS **1ST RECONCILITION PARENTS FORMATION MAY 6/8** RECEPTION OF SACRAMENT JUNE 17/19

> **ALL WELCOME! VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY MASS** THE 2ND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

BOLGA COURT AGED CARE TALLANGATTA, MASS **1ST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH**

> **WCP WELCOMING CUPPA 1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH**

ST VINNIE'S COLLECTION **1ST WEEKEND OF EACH MONTH**

BAPTISM PREPARATION 1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

WCP PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL 1ST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

On the Lighter Side

NEED IS LOVE. BUT A LITTLE CHOCOLATE NOW AND THEN DOESN'T HURT



-CHARLES M. SCHULZ-



A Safe Parish Is a Shared **Responsibility:**

Our Parish Safety

Officer is

Sonia La Motte-Schubert Ph: 60243366:

> **Towards Healing** helpline Ph: 1800 816 030 (free call)

Lifeline is a non-profit Organisation FREE 24-hour Crisis Support Ph: 13 11 14

'allangatta, ' St Michaels **Primary School.**

Casual relief teachers are frequently required to support our schools, particularly at St. Michael's Primary School, Tallangatta. If you're interested in being added to our contact list, please reach out to the schools. Contact: St. Michael's Primary School, Tallangatta

Ph: 02 6071 2386

Liturgical Jottings - Mass Offerings 4

The concept of a Mass offering goes back to the early Church; it is a gift given to a priest as a sign of gratitude for him including a particular intention during a Mass. The intention might be for a sick friend, the repose of the soul of a loved one, or indeed, any need. In Church a 'Mass offering' was early not but an offering of farm produce as a sign of thanks and a way of uniting the fruits of one's labour to the Mass.

An offering is giving a part of ourselves. Of course, we unite our hearts to the offering of every Mass,

The notion of the Mass offering to support the priest to live is integral. Traditionally the Mass offering was an amount which would allow the priest to live for that day. Now most clergy receive a stipend from the parish or diocese. Where the church is poor, priests rely on this support to enable their ministry of the Word of God and the sacraments.