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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 Yarralong 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

St Cecilia's Church

Rosary Group 2pm Tuesdays

Legion of Mary 8am Wednesdays

Parish Office

Mon to Thurs 9.30am to 2.30pm & Fri 9.30am to 12pm

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Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March

Formation in Spiritual Discernment.

That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

March Safeguarding Message

Australia's biggest minority group is the elderly. Discrimination against the elderly is known as ageism.

We must protect the rights of the older person.

More information can be found on;

<http://elderabusehelpline.com.au/>

Keep Us In Your Prayers

Prayer: The most valuable gift you can give someone.



Sick: Sebastian Martino, Laura Valtarel, Eoin McAweaney, Eileen Thorpe, Gail Parsons, Michael Briggs, Paris Tabernaberi, Michael King, Maria Mercedes, Ferraresi, John Susovich and daughter Wendy, Paul Wright, Cherie Gurtner, Leeann Hazelton, Rose Attard, Deb Roy, Dianna Williams, Juan Tabernaberi, Colleen O'Neill, Zoila Vasquez, Myriam Iviviani, Dianna Chapman, Miguel Magno, Marisa Martino, Charles Richards, Maria Luisa Bazan, Baby George, Jim Kelly, Margaret Skimming, Ilaria McMahon, Jannese Thompson, Bailey Ferris, Haydn Kaltanbacher, Kevin Brien, Amelia Dunn, Aurora Estrella, Jean, Scotty, Margaret Shepherd, Pat Willemsem, Justus Cesca, Hettie Meulen, Peter McEvoy, Josephine Riediger, Luigi Schiavo, Talitha Milroy, Nora Dillon, Emma Carroll, Dianne Powell, Sue and Len Miller, Cecily Briggs, Terry, Penny Taylor, Ann Brady, Regina Preston & May Fagan

Recently Deceased: Fr Peter McGrath CP, Natividad Diata, John Bof, Lionel Fitzgerald, Liam Schumacher, Evelyn Britter

Anniversary: Mary Maree, Joseph Buckley, Ken McRae, Allen Barry, Maureen Kearney, Reginald Preston



WYONG CATHOLIC PARISH
St Cecilia's Church & St John Fisher Mass Ctr
Under the Pastoral Care of the
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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*

4th Sunday of Lent 11th March 2018 Year B

Gospel Reflection

Excerpt from; God's Word 2018: Daily Reflections

On Laetare Sunday the Church invites us to rejoice for our salvation is near! Today's readings challenge us to review the past thoughtfully and look into the future joyfully! The history of God-human relationships is one of total fidelity (God) and opportunistic faithfulness (humans). A common temptation we humans all have is to want to manipulate God to our advantage. We want to earn God's favour by the things we do for Him. But St Paul reminds us that it is by the grace of God that we have been saved through faith. It's obvious, God's grace does not give us what we deserve, but what He delights in giving, in spite of our unworthiness. How else can we explain God's compassion on the chosen people despite their exceeding unfaithfulness! It is good to remember that non of what we think we do for God by way of our Lenten practices like fasting, abstinence ect., will earn us any special favour. On the contrary, by our good deeds we merely open ourselves to God's mercy and love for us.



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Parish Lenten Preparation

- ♦ St Cecilia's Church
- ♦ Friday evenings in Lent, March 2, 9, 16 & 23.

6.30pm Stations of the Cross

7pm-8pm The Light is on
(Adoration & Reconciliation)

A warm invitation is extended to everyone to drop in and visit for some quiet time, prayer, and a space to take time out to reflect on faith and life. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be offered for the hour. Take time to experience God's light and peace in your life during Lent. The light is on for you. St Cecilia's Church as well as other Churches around the Diocese will be open on Friday evenings in Lent.



Palm Sunday Crosses

All are welcome to come and help make our Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday masses.

Wednesday 21st March at 11am in the Parish Centre.

Morning tea will be provided. Also if anyone has any palms that would be suitable to decorate our Churches for Palm Sunday could you please speak to Fr Raul or Fr Alex otherwise please contact the Parish Office

Lifted Up

Wyong Parish Lectio divina group meets at 5.15pm in the parish hall at Wyong on each Thursday of Lent to meditate on the following Sunday readings.



Thursday's
During Lent
5.15pm
Parish Hall

Easter Ceremonies

After discussions with Fr Raul, Fr Alex, The Parish Liturgy Committee and the Parish Pastoral Council, it has been decided to continue with the same format used last 2 years for our Easter ceremonies;

Holy Thursday service in our Parish will take place at Tumbi Umbi only, and that the Easter Saturday Vigil service will take place at Wyong only.

This allows the opportunity for the whole parish to come together as one on these two significant occasions and allows our priests the opportunity of concelebrating Mass on the feast of the institution of the priesthood (Holy Thursdays Mass of the Last Supper) and the Mass which many regard as being the most symbolic in our liturgical year (The Easter Saturday Vigil).

Good Friday and Easter Sunday services will still take place at both Tumbi and Wyong as per previous years. For full details of the times of all services over Easter (including reconciliation) please see page 2 of the bulletin.

One of the considerations when making the above decision was accessibility. Please contact the parish office on 4352 1011 if you need assistance getting to either;
St John Fisher from St Cecilia's for Holy Thursday
or
From St John Fisher to St Cecilia's Church on Easter Saturday Vigil.

Easter Vigil Choir

The Easter Vigil will be held in the Church at St Cecilia's Wyong on Easter Saturday. In preparation for this Liturgy please come and join the choir for two practices; Tuesday 20th and 27th March from 7pm-8pm. ALL VOICES are welcome from Tumbi and Wyong communities



Pilgrimage of Lenten Stational Masses in Broken Bay

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli is calling for the people of Broken Bay to join him in making the *Pilgrimage of Lenten Stational Masses in Broken Bay*.

One of the beautiful faith traditions is the **Stational Mass** – a special opportunity that offers a way to greater prayer with the universal Church during particular seasons throughout the year.

All parishioners are invited to gather and pray as one body on this graced journey to Easter.

Please join us at the following;

- ♦ **Mass celebrated at 7.30pm by Bishop Peter**
- ♦ **13 March**
- ♦ **Our Lady of the Rosary Church, The Entrance**

HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES 2018

Palm Sunday Reconciliation 1st Rite; St John Fisher Mass Ctr

- ♦ 24th March Saturday Vigil Reconciliation following the 5pm Mass
- ♦ 25th March Sunday Reconciliation following the 5pm Mass
- ♦ 27th March **Holy Tuesday Chrism Mass** Waitara Cathedral 7.30pm
- ♦ 28th March **Holy Wednesday** 2nd Rite Reconciliation St Cecilia's Wyong 6pm

♦ **Holy Thursday Mass of the Last Supper**

St John Fisher Tumbi Umbi 7pm

Followed by Exposition Of the Blessed Sacrament until 10pm
(Reconciliation will be available)

♦ **Good Friday**

Stations of the Cross

St Cecilia's Wyong 10am

St John Fisher Tumbi 10am

The Lord's Passion

St Cecilia's Wyong 3pm

St John Fisher Tumbi 3pm

♦ **Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass**

St Cecilia's Wyong 7pm

♦ **Easter Sunday Mass of the Resurrection**

St Cecilia's Wyong 7.30am & 9.30am

St John Fisher Tumbi 8.30am & 5pm



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Wonderful news,

We now have a Catechist to take years 1 & 2 at Tuggerah Public School. However, we are still needing a Catechist helper to assist with this class.

If you feel you could spare an hour a week to help assist the Catechist in the classroom please speak to Fr Raul our Fr Alex or call Jo at the parish office. Thank you

Altar Linen Volunteers

St John Fisher Tumbi Umbi

Currently we have three helpers on our Altar Linen Roster. A volunteer launders the linen each week during their rostered month. If you are able to join our roster it would be very much appreciated. Please feel free to contact Marie-Anne Johnson 0415131831

Fifth Sunday of Lent Readings: 18th March 2018

First Reading Jer 31:31-34; Second Reading Heb 5:7-9;
Gospel Jn 12:20-33. You may view next week's readings by visiting this web site: <http://www.usccb.org/bible/>