

WELCOME

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*

14TH JUNE 2024 FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WYONG CATHOLIC PARISH

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

**Under the Pastoral Care of the
Society of Our Lady of The Most Holy Trinity (SOLT)**



REFLECTION 14.7.2024

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

God chooses human beings to communicate the divine message and we can sometimes be amazed at the people God chooses. Amos, the shepherd, had no qualifications to speak in God's name yet he was the one God chose. The Twelve sent out by Jesus were similarly unremarkable. Most amazingly, perhaps, God has chosen us also, chosen us in Christ, to be spiritually blessed and to praise the glory of his grace. Of course, not everyone will accept the wonderful message we bring. Indeed some will react negatively to both the message and the messenger. This was the experience of Amos and the Twelve. Jesus urges us not to dwell on such rejections. We should let them go – shake the dust from our feet—and continue to be a voice that speaks of peace.

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We warmly welcome the children who are to be baptized this weekend into our Parish Community.
May the grace of the Lord Jesus bless them and their families.



VOLUNTEER'S NEEDED FOR CLEANING & COUNTING

Dear Parishioners,

We are in need of volunteers to help in our Parish, specifically in the areas of cleaning (days to be confirmed) & counting on Tuesdays.

If these roles interest you and you're able to help, please contact us as soon as possible at wyoungparish@bbcatholic.org.au or 4352 1011.

If there is currently anyone on the roster who is unable to continue, please advise the Parish office.

THE FOUNDATION DAY—1958, of the Society of Our Lady of The Most Holy Trinity (SOLT) is next Tuesday the 16th July, all are invited to the Tuesday 8am Mass at St Cecilia's Church, Wyong followed by a cuppa and cake.

We are very Blessed to have with us Fr Raul, Fr Alex & Fr Teody who belong to this Order and live, and share the mission of this Society with us.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to them for their ministry with us and we pray that God will continue to bless them.

OFFICE CLOSED

Please note: the office will be closed on the following dates:

- Friday 12th July
- Wednesday 17th July

For any URGENT matters please contact our Priests on their mobile numbers or Margaret on 0401 913 772

RCIA—ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?

Dear Parishioners,

This is Clint Warren-Davey,

Religious Education teacher at St. Peter's Catholic College. With the support of Fr Raul, Fr Alex , Fr Teody I will be running **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)** through Wyong Parish in 2024-2025. This is for people who are curious about becoming Catholic, or Catholics who want to delve deeper into their faith.

I will be explaining the core doctrines of Catholicism along with rational arguments for why we believe them.

If you have any questions about the Faith, this is the place to ask them!

The first session will be held in August 2024.

If anyone is curious about this, please contact myself or the Parish office.

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SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2024



May we keep the children who are preparing for their sacrament of Confirmation next week and their families in our prayers, that the holy spirit will continue to grow in their hearts on their faith journey.

We welcome them and their families to our weekend Masses.

RELIC SNIPPETS

St Cecilia was a noble lady of Rome, who according to 5th Century legend vowed her virginity to God. Her parents, nevertheless, forced her to marry a pagan nobleman named Valerian. On her wedding night, Cecilia told Valerian that an angel of God wished her to remain a virgin. Valerian promised to respect this wish if he was allowed to see the angel. Cecilia sent him to see Pope Urban 1, who baptized him. On his return he saw Cecilia talking to the angel. Valerian's brother, Tiberius also was converted.

Following their conversions, Valerian and Tiberius committed themselves to burying Christian martyrs. They were arrested, subjected to torture and executed with the sword for refusing to deny their faith.

In the meantime, St Cecilia's preaching of Christianity converted many people, and she too was arrested and condemned to be suffocated in the baths. She was shut in for a night and a day, the fires were heaped up, but St Cecilia was not affected in anyway. When this was reported, an executioner was sent then to cut off her head. She was struck three times on the neck but lived for three days.



During this time crowds came to her, and she preached or prayed with them. She died in AD 177.

Her remains were removed to a new site in 822, and in 1599 an exhumation revealed her body to be incorrupt.

St Cecilia's legacy continues to inspire and uplift people. She is a reminder that music is a powerful force for good.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING SUPPORT

Weekly Prizes are \$50 – 1st & \$20 – 2nd
Monthly Prizes are \$150 – 1st & \$50 – 2nd
and will be last weekend of the month.

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200 Club Update 2024



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MASS TIMES

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Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Times

Sat Vigil 5.00pm Sun 7.30am & 9.30am

Weekday Mass

Mon-Sat: 8.00am, Monday 9.15am (School Term)

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

EMERGENCY PRIEST CONTACT

Fr Raul Ph: 0450 115 099

Fr Alex Ph: 0432 947 245

Fr Teody Ph: 0414 494 823

PARISH OFFICE 23 Byron Street Wyong

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OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 9.30am to 2.30pm

PARISH CONTACTS

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Children's Liturgy at the following Masses

St Cecilia's 5:00pm 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 8.45 - 9.15am

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Saturday—**St Cecilia's** &

Wednesday—**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

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

PPC Secretary; Kerry Bugden

Ph: 02 4388 2938

KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayer: The most valuable gift you can give someone.

SICK: Finn McConnon, Irene Dainty, Sue Simmons, Rod & Pauline Cornwell, Michael & Julia McDermott, Michele Bolton, Jeanine Doueihy

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Maureen Murphy, Dorrie Betts, Maureen Martin, Fr Michael Kelly, Kathy Honor, Marie Malouf

ANNIVERSARY JULY: Pauleene Crass, John Dwyer, Nora Dillon, Bridget Dermody, Sr Sylvia Markulin, James Bastick, Phyll Angela Reeves, Bridget Dermody, Carol Dafter, Helen & Edwin Kingsley, Raymond (Ray) Baker



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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 Fr Teody. The contact details are on the back to the Bulletin.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Amos 7:12-15

A reading from the prophet Amos

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 84:9-14

R. Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.

Second Reading Ephesians 1:3-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation of Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 6:7-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff - no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

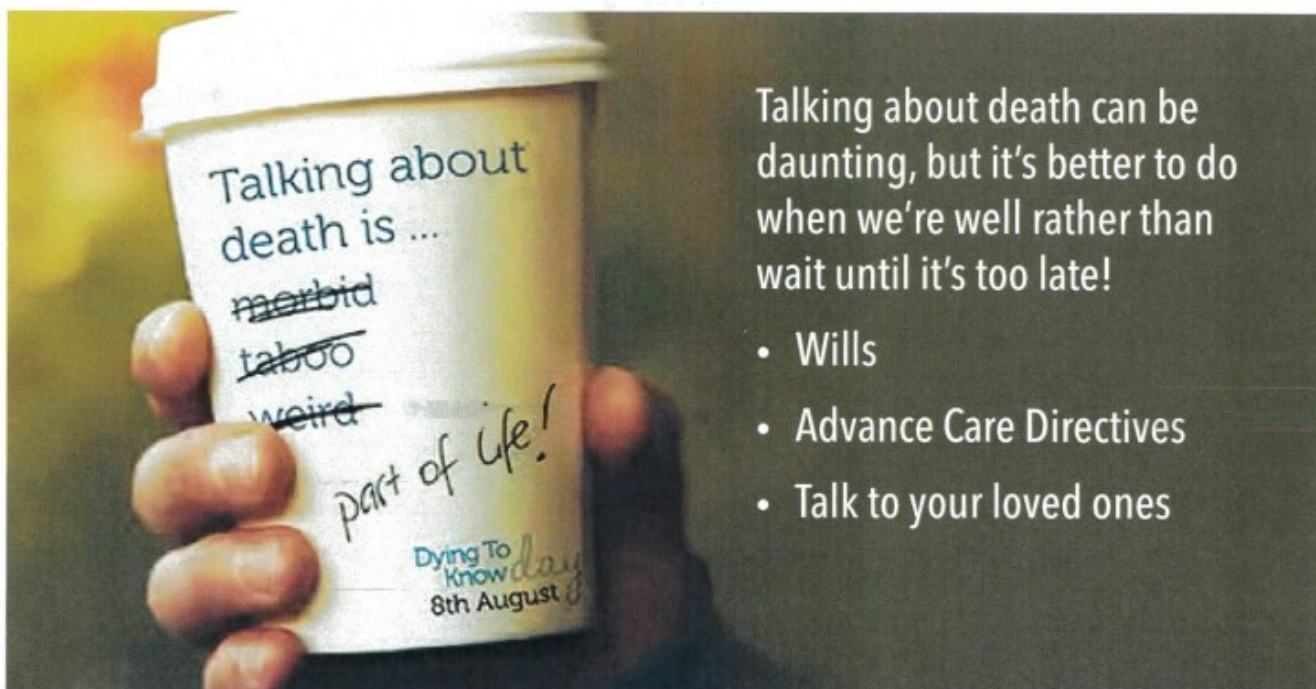
The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Dying to Know Day 8 August

Commencing at 2pm

Hillside Chapel, Palmdale Lawn Cemetery and Memorial Park,
Palmdale Road, Palmdale



Talking about death can be daunting, but it's better to do when we're well rather than wait until it's too late!

- Wills
- Advance Care Directives
- Talk to your loved ones

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ACTS 3:6-7



A Catholic Response to Domestic Violence

The Diocese has released a video with Bishop Anthony addressing the serious and increasing issue of domestic family violence.

The theme for Safeguarding Awareness 2024 is The Voice of the Vulnerable and Bishop Anthony wanted a particular focus on domestic family violence, which affects women, children and men across our communities.

The video is called “A Catholic Response to Violence”. It can be viewed on the Diocese website at [A Catholic Response to Domestic Violence - Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay \(bbcatholic.org.au\)](https://www.bbcatholic.org.au) where other resources, including a booklet, are also available.

While a number of help lines are identified in the video and booklet, below are some of the key ones”

- 1800 RESPECT (1800 737 732) – 24-hour 7 day a week service for advice and support

- 131 450 for non-English speakers and ask them to ring RESPECT

CATHOLICCARE BROKEN BAY:

- Central Coast: 1800 324 924

- Northern Beaches: 1800 324 924

- Naremburn: 1800 324 924

- Waitara: 1800 324 924

MEN’S REFERRAL SERVICE: 1300 766 491

The video is also available on our [Youtube channel](#)

SAFEGUARDING is everyone's responsibility



Everyone must practice **A DUTY OF CARE**. We are called to step up and speak out.

Need to be listening & watching to understand if there are any concerns and take them seriously



Tell one of our designated persons in authority

- Fr Raúl 0450 115 099
- Maureen Roast 0435 245 849
- Anne Hooley 0428 149 793

Contact will be made with Diocesan Safeguarding Office



Our Community is **SAFE**