# 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

16TH JUNE 2024 ELEVENTH 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 16.6.2024** — 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel contains the great parable of the mustard seed. The use of parables was a masterly teaching technique of Jesus to convey truths and insights about the reign of God. Jesus used everyday realities and familiar occurrences to communicate his teaching to them. Narrative theology is a branch of study that considers how stories in the Bible employ different genres and literary features to communicate the author's intent (albeit inspired by the Holy Spirit) and how the historical and social factors of the time may have shaped these stories. This parable of the mustard seed is a timeless little narrative that speaks to us in our days of how important it is to care for our creation. How can we plant seeds of hope in all the situations we will encounter this day? What stands out for you as you read this Gospel parable? How does it relate to your experiences at this very moment?

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#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY—YOU'RE INVITED!

All children are invited to attend the children's Liturgy at our weekend masses. Children's Liturgy is when the children leave the congregation to celebrate and reflect on the Sunday Gospel reading in an age appropriate way. The children are led through prayers, songs and readings that are adapted to their level of understanding.



(Parents are always welcome to attend the Children's Liturgy).

Attending Mass together is a part of being a Catholic Family, while Children's Liturgy allows children to enter the celebration more fully by catering to their needs.

Please see below the weekend masses with Children's Liturgy:

St Cecilia's Church, Wyong—Sunday 9.30am

St John Fisher Mass Centre, Tumbi Umbi—Sunday 5:00pm

#### St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal — 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> June

Next weekend will mark the beginning of out winter appeal. Please use the envelopes provided for any cash

donations, which can be placed on either collection plate. They can also be brought back next week. Loose change can be placed in the poor box. As well as cash donations, we are seeking food suitable to be used in hampers - pasta & sauce, soups, tinned fruit and vegetables, milk, cereal,. Donations can be left at the back of the church. No donation is too small. Many thanks for your continued support.

God Bless!

#### **THANK YOU**

Missionary sisters of Orange, Katherine & Alice Springs thank St John Fisher, Tumbi & St Cecilia's, Wyong, for their generous donations.

Marie Dyer

#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

The current constitution of the Parish Pastoral Council was accepted at a meeting of the Council on Tuesday, 10 April 2018. This must be updated to meet the changes which have occurred in the last six years to the parish dynamics, as well as meeting the challenges for the future.

Meaningful discussions will be necessary in 24/25 council year for our parish to flourish as we move forward. Some of these issues include plans and programs which encourage new and lapsed Catholics as they consider their place as practicing members of our parish; the installation of St Cecilia's relic in November; and considerations and consequences if the carpark is sold.

To enable this new constitution to be prepared and accepted (under the current constitution rules) the **Annual General Meeting of the PPC** has been transferred to **Tuesday August 13**.

These timeline changes also are required:

Nominations for Council.

Written or personal expression of interest should be given to one of our priests or the parish office now close on **Friday, 28 June.** 

#### PPC Meeting on 9 July.

At this meeting the new constitution will be finalised and endorsed. All interested future PPC members will be invited to this meeting.

#### 24/25 Council.

All council members will be advised in the Parish Bulletin on 10/11 August and Office Bearers on 17/18 August.







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### Parish Christmas in July—Friday 26th July 11:45am St Peter's College, Tuggerah

Our annual 'Christmas in July' is fast approaching. As usual, the students from St Peter's College will be catering and the meal, no doubt will be mouthwatering.

Any aged/retired parishioner who wishes to attend this function, please contact the Parish Office on 4352 1011, or via email at wyongparish@bbcatholic.org.au.

Numbers are restricted, so an early booking is essential.

A special fund-raising raffle will be on sale on the day.

#### **RELIC SNIPPETS**

Have you looked at the front of the church to see St Cecilia?

Next Relic Meeting will be held on Monday 17

June.

\*Please contact any committee member with ideas and offers of help.



# THANK YOU FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING SUPPORT

Weekly Prizes are  $$50 - 1^{st} & $20 - 2^{nd}$ Monthly Prizes are  $$150 - 1^{st} & $50 - 2^{nd}$ and will be last weekend of the month.

#### 200 Club Update 2024

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15th/16th June	weekly	53	Madel Bedural	87	Jean Armstrong

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#### **MASS TIMES**

#### 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, 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 Phone: 02 4352 1011 Po Box 385 Wyong 2259

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

**PARISH CONTACTS** 

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Youth Co-Ordinator Gabbi Scherer Email: gabbi.scherer@bbcatholic.org.au

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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, Frank Laoulach, Irene Dainty, Sue Simmons, Rod & Pauline Cornwell, Michael & Julia McDermott

#### RECENTLY DECEASED:

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

Anniversary June: Thomas Mayne, Fr Williams, Brian Myers, Margaret Skimmings, Tom Dermody, Rosa Laoulach, Sylivia Markulin, George Sassine, Patricia Westhoff, Frank Costa & Family

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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 Sunday Mass - 16 June 2024

#### First Reading - Ezekiel 17:22-24

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel
The Lord says this:
'From the top of the cedar,
from the highest branch I will take a shoot
and plant it myself on a very high mountain.
I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel.
It will sprout branches and bear fruit,
and become a noble cedar.
Every kind of bird will live beneath it,
every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches.
And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one
who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow,
who withers green trees and makes the withered green.

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The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### Responsorial Psalm - Ps 91:2-3, 13-16

I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

R. Lord it is good to give thanks to you.

#### Second Reading -2 Corinthians 5:6-10

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight - we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia. alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!

#### Gospel -Mark 4:26-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus said to the crowd, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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# SYDNEY

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#### 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 <u>A Catholic Response to Domestic Violence - Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay (bbcatholic.org.au)</u> 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 Raul 0450 115 099
   Maureen Roast 0435 245 849
- Anne Hooley
- 0428 149 793

Contact will be made with Dioscesean Safeguarding Office





**Our Community is** SAFE