

PARISH BULLETIN, 23RD MAY 2021

WYONG CATHOLIC PARISH

ST CECILIA'S CHURCH & ST JOHN FISHER MASS CTR

Under the Pastoral Care of the

Society of Our Lady of The Most Holy Trinity (SOLT)

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

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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23RD May 2021



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23rd May 2021 Gospel John 15:26-27;16:12-15

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On the Jewish celebration of Pentecost which recalls God's establishment of a covenant with the people of Israel, the gift of the Spirit, 'the power from on high' (Luke 24:49) opens a new relationship with God and humankind. Signs associated with the event at Sinai are recalled: thunder, lightning, and fire (see Exodus 19: 16-20). The one nation, Israel, is transcended as peoples from many nations understand the disciples who are 'filled with the Holy Spirit', as they speak about the marvels of God'.

In the second reading Paul lists the contrasting characteristics of a life without the gift of the Spirit and a life 'guided by the Spirit'. We must examine those characteristics and hear Paul's exhortation: 'Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit'.

The Gospel reading selects two passages from Jesus' farewell discourse to his disciples. As he returns to the Father, the Spirit/Advocate will continue the presence of the divine among us. Filled with the Spirit, we will continue Jesus' mission of being witnesses to God. However, Jesus has not been able to communicate all the truths of God and God's design for us in the brief period of his ministry. He still has much to teach us. But that will be done down through the Christian ages in and through the presence of the Spirit/Advocate who has learnt from the Father, and 'will tell us of the things to come'.

24th May 2021

A National Mass will be celebrated across all states, territories and dioceses on the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians to commemorate 200 years of Catholic education in Australia.

If you would like to attend the 10.30am Mass at either St Peter's Catholic College Tuggerah or St John Fisher Tumbi Umbi on Monday 24th May, please call Jo on 0424 763 734.

SOLEMNITY 24TH MAY OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Mass Times

8am St Cecilia's Church Wyong

10.30am St Peter's College Tuggerah

10.30am St John Fisher Tumbi Umbi

(if you would like to attend the 10.30am Mass at either St Peter's or St John Fisher, you will need to book your attendance. Please call Jo on 0424 763 734)

200 YEARS -

FAITH IN THE FUTURE OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN AUSTRALIA

Almighty and all-loving God, with gratitude for the endeavours of Catholic education in the past, with confidence in our Catholic pre-schools, schools and universities today, and with faith in their continuing contribution in the future, we celebrate 200 years of Catholic education in this Great South Land. As our Heavenly Father, we thank you for your providential care for your children in this land in inspiring priests, religious and lay people to found and staff our schools in ages past. Through them the Good News of your Son was brought to the young even in colonial times – and ever since. As Christ the Teacher, you grace the staff and leaders of Catholic education today. As they build on the achievements of their predecessors direct them in their present efforts to ensure that every young Australian has the opportunity for an excellent education and formation in faith. As our Inspiring Spirit, you lead us into the future. In the century ahead grant those teaching and learning in our schools, those planning and leading, and the families and community that entrust their young people to us, a love of learning and a willingness to be the face of Christ in the world of tomorrow. Pour out your abundant blessings upon all involved in the ministry of Catholic education. Amen. Our Lady of the Southern Cross – pray for us. St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Patron of Catholic Education in Australia – pray for us.

Birthdays and Anniversaries



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Beth Hughes

John Dwyer

Gerard Byrne

Helen Beamish 19/5/1950

Maureen Cross 19/5

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Kerry & Brian Bugden 12/5/1962

Enid & John Dwyer 31/5/1958

Please contact the parish office with your Birthdays and Anniversaries, we will have a Mass said for you.

Condolences

The Parish extends our deepest condolences to Terry Jones and family on the passing of his beloved Mother Marie Murray.

Marie was a dearly loved member of our parish community. She will be sadly missed.

Marie's funeral Mass will be held on Friday 21st May at St Cecilia's Church Wyong, 10am.

We know and pray that Marie is in God's loving hands.

May she rest in peace. Amen



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PLENARY COUNCIL

The Plenary Council which started in 2018 is the highest form of gathering of the local church. The mission of this Council is to provide discernment and guidance for the activities of the Catholic Church in Australia in the context of today's society, for the optimisation of the church's activities at all levels, in living the teachings of Jesus and achievement of God's will.

Phase 1 Listening and Dialogue

Parishes throughout Australia submitted what was observed as needing attention.

Phase 2 Discernment

All the information from Phase 1 was collated to a coherent agenda which is now to be taken to the assemblies.

Phase 3 Assemblies

The first of these assemblies will be held in October 2021.

(Phases 2 & 3 have both been delayed due to Covid)

The message for all parishioners for Phase 3 is that "the Church is not the presence in our society it once was. We need to take a measure of that and make decisions accordingly. The culture in which we have to proclaim the Gospel is very different to what it was even 20 or 30 years ago". (Archbishop of Brisbane Mark Caleridge)

To pray for the success of the Plenary Council is the task set for all parishioners over the coming months. All parishes of the Broken Bay Diocese have been given an icon of Blessed Mary, Star of the Sea, together with special prayer cards. In our parish, at both Wyong and Tumbi we will

Set up our icon of Blessed Mary, Star of the Sea to promote prayer for the success of the Plenary Council.

A special petition will be included in the Prayers of the Faithful at each weekend Mass.

All of our special prayer groups will include a prayer to Blessed Mary, Star of the Sea.

It is our prayers which will help to ensure the success of the Council and our Church to flourish in the future.

JOSEPH HOUSE



Are you a young man seeking to hear God's voice and discover His plan for your life?
Do you know any young men who might benefit from living in Joseph House?

The responsibility of nurturing strong vocations lies with each and every one of us. Bishop Anthony looks to all members of the community of the Church of Broken Bay to be the ambassadors of Joseph House, to inspire young men you may know to consider seriously reflecting on God's call for their life. He looks to each one of us to be partners in the mission of the Church to build a vocational culture, so that our young people might discover the divine purpose of their lives.

For more information about Joseph House, a newly established house of discernment for young men, visit bbcatholic.org.au/josephhouse

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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

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

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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

St Barnabas, Yarramalong

1st Sun of month 11am (4th April)

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

Fr Raul/Fr Alex and the Legion of Mary visit **Berkley Vale Nursing home** 3rd Wednesday of the Month

Children's Liturgy

St John Fisher 5pm Mass Sunday

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

Catechist Meeting

Liturgy Meeting

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

PPC Secretary; Kerry Bugden
ph 4388 2938

Social Justice Meeting

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS
PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayer: The most valuable gift you can give someone.

SICK: Len Miller, Harriet Powell, Danae Roe, Peter Ford, Harry Hall, Michael Briggs, Christine Heffernan, Jennese Thompson, Leeann Hazelton, Catherine Amey, Bernadette Kiely, Steve Durnford, Ann Durnford, Maureen Mulheron, Angela Watts, William Martin, Terence (Ted) Dafter, Finn McConnon, Margaret Hobbs, Christine, John Baxter, Joey Moloney, Noel Muir, Jacqui Stacey, Josie Campbell, Frank Costa, Carol Dafter.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Marie Murray, Pasquale Murace, George Salvestro, Butch Asuncion Alvero

ANNIVERSARY MAY: Mark Bastic, Eveleen Ross

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