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Sick: Len Miller, Sandy Riach, Sr Sylvia Markulin, Victor Gibbs, Harriet Powell, Danae Roe.

Recently Deceased: Patricia Mutton, Trevelnne Sonter, Fr Tito Ayo, SOLT, Angelita Tabije, Rita Muscat.

Anniversary: Michael Conneely, Barbara Brigoli, Najividad Dieta, Jim Fagan, May McAndrew.

Harmony Week

Dear God,

You create all people in your image.
We thank you for the astonishing variety of races and cultures in this world.

Grant us Your peace and harmony.

Gift us with compassion to better understand each other, wisdom and love to assist each other and trust and patience to work and interact peacefully together.

We pray that Jesus will help all people of the world to be accepting of each other and work together to live in peace and unity.

Amen.

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 Joanne. The contact details are (4352 1011 or office@wyongcatholicparish.com A culture of Safeguarding values SERVANT LEADERSHIP...
"Like good stewards of the manifold of grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received." - 1 Peter 4:10

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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

St John Fisher During 9.15am Mass

Monthly Mass

St Barnabas Yarramalong 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



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"Let us not allow this season of grace to pass in vain! Let us ask God to help us set out on a path of true conversion. Let us leave behind our selfishness and self-absorption, and turn to Jesus' Pasch. Let us stand beside our brothers and sisters in need, sharing our spiritual and material goods with them. In this way, by concretely welcoming Christ's victory over sin and death into our lives, we will also radiate its transforming power to all of creation."

Pope Francis Lenten Message 2019

3rd Sunday of Lent 24th March 2019

Gospel Reflection

Reproduced from God's Word 2019: Daily Reflections, published by St Pauls Publications, Strathfield

St Paul reminds his readers of the magnificent patrimony connecting them with the Exodus story: 'how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above and how they all passed through the sea.' Centuries later, in a 1974 statement on preaching, the Vatican would echo this Pauline text, urging that these Old Testament stories be taken to heart personally: 'Our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea' (CRRJ, Notes,11.2). Christian baptism draws us into the great story of salvation told over both Testaments. Dying and rising with Christ, we are 'reborn' into the life of God and God's people! The Gospel parable of the fig tree warns us not to take this gift for granted. With God's gifts comes responsibilities. Despite many struggles, it was Jewish fidelity to the Covenant that brought forth the fullness of God's kingdom. Continuing our journey through Lent, let us give thanks for our ancestors in faith as we enter personally into the epic stories of both Testaments. And let us pray for all Christians and Jews today in their respective sacred covenantal obligations.

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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

Sacrament of Confirmation 2019

At Baptism, your child began a life-long journey and a way of life. At Confirmation, the graces received in Baptism are sealed with the reception of the seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

If you have a child in Year 2 and above and they have received the Sacrament of Baptism and would like them to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation could you please either contact the Parish Office or visit our website for further details.

We look forward to sharing with you and your child, this journey of faith as he/she prepares to receive this sacrament.

Blessings Sacramental Team

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings: 31st March 2019 First Reading Joshua 5:9-12

Second Reading 2 Cor 5:17-21 Gospel

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32.

You may view next week's readings by visiting this web site:

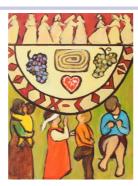
http://www.usccb.org/bible/

World Day of Prayer

"Come - Everything is Ready" Date: 29th March 2019

Time: 10.30am

Place: Wyong Uniting Church 61-62 Watanobbi Rd Watanobbi With morning tea to follow.



You are invited to Chrism Mass!

Come and join together with our clergy and people across Broken Bay for the blessing and consecration of the Holy Oils for our parishes.

Mass begins at 7.30pm on Tuesday 16 April 2019. Soup and bread will be served in the courtyard from 6.00pm with tea and coffee afterwards.

If you would like to join the choir to lead the congregation in prayerful song please send an email to cathedral@bbcatholic.org.au and on the subject line type "Choir RSVP".

Rehearsal on the day in the Cathedral from 6.00pm for 7.30pm

Shoe Box Collection for Men & Women **During the month of March**

Once again the response to our 'Shoe Box Collection' has been overwhelming, if you are still wishing to donate some food items please bring them in by 30th/31st, We plan to deliver all our items to Wyong Neighbourhood Centre the following week. Simply grab a shoe box or collect a calico bag from the parish office and fill it up with lots of goodies.

Please note: if you would rather not make up a shoe box we have also provided a basket at the back of the church for you to place individual items into.

You are welcome to leave your donations at the back of the Church/Mass ctr.

100% HOPE Project Compassion Peter is thrilled to now have clean water on tap at his boarding school. Long walks to unsafe water sources were tiring for Peter, who is living with a disability. With more free time and fewer illnesses caused by dirty water, Peter can fulfil his hope of **focusing** on his studies, providing him with brighter future.

 $^{\prime\prime}I$ alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples. $^{\prime\prime}$ St Teresa of Calcutta





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Parish Lenten Preparation - St Cecilia's Church

Stations of the Cross 6.30pm

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

Cancellation: Thursday evenings 6pm Lectio Divina during lent.

HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES 2019

Palm Sunday Reconciliation 1st Rite

St John Fisher Mass Ctr

13th April Saturday Vigil Reconciliation following the 5pm Mass 14th April Sunday Reconciliation following the 5pm Mass

Holy Tuesday Chrism Mass Waitara Cathedral 7.30pm

16th April

Holy Thursday Mass of the Last Supper 18th April St John Fisher Tumbi 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 19th April St John Fisher Tumbi 10am

> The Lord's Passion St Cecilia's Wyong 3pm St John Fisher Tumbi 3pm

Holy Saturday 20th April

Easter Sunday

21st April

Easter Vigil Mass St Cecilia's Wyong 7pm

Mass of the Resurrection St Cecilia's Wyong 7.30am & 9.30am St John Fisher Tumbi

8.30am & 5pm

Palm Sunday Crosses

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

Wednesday 10th April at 11am in the Parish Centre.

Lunch 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

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 the last 3 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. One of the considerations when making the above decision was accessibility. Please contact the parish office by Monday 1st April on ph:4352 1011 if you need assistance getting to either;

St John Fisher from St Cecilia's for Holy Thursday

From St John Fisher to St Cecilia's Church on Easter Saturday Vigil.

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