



*'He went in to her,  
took her by the hand  
and helped her up'  
Mark 1: 29-39*

5th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME  
4th February 2018 Year B

### Gospel Reflection

Excerpt from; God's Word 2018: Daily Reflections

*Like the other evangelists, Mark records many occasions in which Jesus heals people stricken with serious illnesses and brings wholeness to people handicapped by bodily defects. In today's gospel it is Peter's mother-in-law who is the subject of his compassionate ministrations. Mark goes a step further in proclaiming the Good News by highlighting how frequently Jesus also brings freedom to those who are bedevilled and enslaved by maladies that afflict the human spirit. In our lives this servitude can take many forms—destructive addictions, compulsive behaviour, habits of serious sin, envy of others, greed, self-centredness and bigotry, to mention just a few. Committed to amending our lives in whatever impedes our relationship with God and our neighbour, let us humbly stand before Jesus and ask for healing of mind, body and spirit and release from our personal demons. In this connection, Paul offers us good advice: 'Stand fast therefore in the liberty with which Christ has made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage'.*



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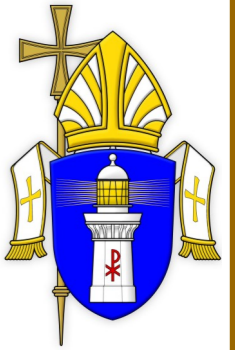
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**WYONG CATHOLIC PARISH**  
St Cecilia's Church & St John Fisher Mass Ctr  
Under the Pastoral Care of the  
Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity (SOLT)



### 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*



4th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME  
28th January 2018 Year B

### Gospel Reflection

Excerpt from; God's Word 2018: Daily Reflections

*The three readings are held together by a common thread: harmony of action and purpose. In the first reading, God puts His words in His prophet's mouth that he would tell the people everything He commands. The second reading speaks about being free to please the Lord through 'undivided devotion in body and spirit'. The Gospel speaks about how Jesus 'taught them as one who had authority'. Jesus' authority proceeds from the unity of two wills: the Father's will and his. To have a personal experience of this man called Jesus is to have a personal relationship with his Father, our Father. For indeed, we know the giver from the gift, the greatness of the artist from the art, the skill of the cook from the food. To be gripped by Jesus becomes a great event only when we say with him, 'Father, may your will be done'.*

# The Light is ON for you



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 this Lent. The light is on for you. For more information please visit [www.thelightisonforyou.org.au](http://www.thelightisonforyou.org.au)

## Pope Francis' Prayer

### Intention for January

#### Religious Minorities in Asia

That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom.

## Feast of Infant of Jesus—Celebrated 21st January St John Fisher Tumbi



There is a very strong and widespread devotion to the Christ Child among Filipinos that is why there is a good number of celebrations in January in Sydney, around Australia and in many countries where Filipinos are present. This colourful feast is not just about the lively and colourful celebrations, but is also a reminder that God doesn't only come to us in the great events of our salvation history with sometimes dramatic and monumental gestures. He comes to us in simplicity and normality of love, patience, humility, obedience and labour of daily life. Yes, he comes to us big, but more often he visits us small. We meet the same God and Lord of history in the great and little things, like the little infant Jesus.

This feast challenges us to have a more open attitude to seek God in these simple things, and to give thanks for his presence, graces and blessings.

Last Sunday, more than four hundred people joined the celebration at St John Fisher Tumbi with a Mass followed by an afternoon of entertainment and food. Parishioners of Wyong Parish and devotees from Sydney, Newcastle and neighbouring parishes shared faith experience, hospitality, joy and laughter. This was a beautiful celebration which was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this day a wonderful celebration.

## Get Together Group

All Welcome to join us for our monthly Get Together Group on **Monday 5th February @ 10.30am** in our Parish Hall. Please bring a plate to share.

You may view next week's readings by visiting this web site: <http://www.usccb.org/bible/>

## 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

**Readings:** 4th February 2018  
**First Reading** Job 7:1-4, 6-7  
**Second Reading** Cor 9:16-19, 22-23  
**Gospel** Mk 1:29-39

## 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

**Readings:** 11th February 2018  
**First Reading** Lev 13:1-2, 44-46; **Second Reading** 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; **Gospel** Mk 1:40-45

## Parish Office hours during the Christmas/School holidays 2018

The parish office will be closed from **Friday 22nd December & reopen on Wednesday 10th January 9.30am 2018.**

During January the Office will only be open:

**Wed 10th/Thur 11th,**

**Wed 17th/Thur 18th,**

**Tue 23rd/Wed 24th & Tue 30th/Thur 1st February.**

Office hours will return to normal on **Monday 5th February.**

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

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## Condolences

*The Parish extends our deepest condolences to Bishop Peter Comensoli on the passing away of his beloved mother Margaret Comensoli.*

*Mrs Comensoli's Requiem Mass was held on Thursday 18th January at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral in Wollongong. May she rest in peace. Amen*

## 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, Leann Hazelton, Rose Attard, Deb Roy, Dianna Williams, Juan Tabernaberi, Colleen O'Neill, Les McDonald, Zoila Vasquez, Myriam Iviviani, Dianna Chapman, Miguel Magno, Marisa Martino, Charles Richards, Maria Luisa Bazan, Baby George, Jim Kelly, Margaret Skimming, Ilaria McMahan, Jannese Thompson, Bailey Ferris, Haydn Kaltanbacher, Kevin Brien, Amelia Dunn, Aurora Estrella, Jean, Scotty, Margaret Shepherd, Pat Willemsen, 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, John Bof, Maureen Roast, Penny Taylor, Ann Brady, Regina Preston & May Fagan.

**Recently Deceased:** Mavis Bryant, Romulo Teodoro, Margaret Comensoli & Geoff Hannon.

**Anniversaries:** Vilma Lewis (23/1), Peter White (4th on 23/1), Tony Kerr (10th on 25/1), Patricia Day (26/1)

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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 Yarramalong** 1st Sunday 11.15am

**Filipino Mass** Every 3rd Sunday 12pm

Lunch served after mass. All welcome

## 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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