

WELCOME

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MISSION STATEMENT *We will live and proclaim the message of the Gospel :
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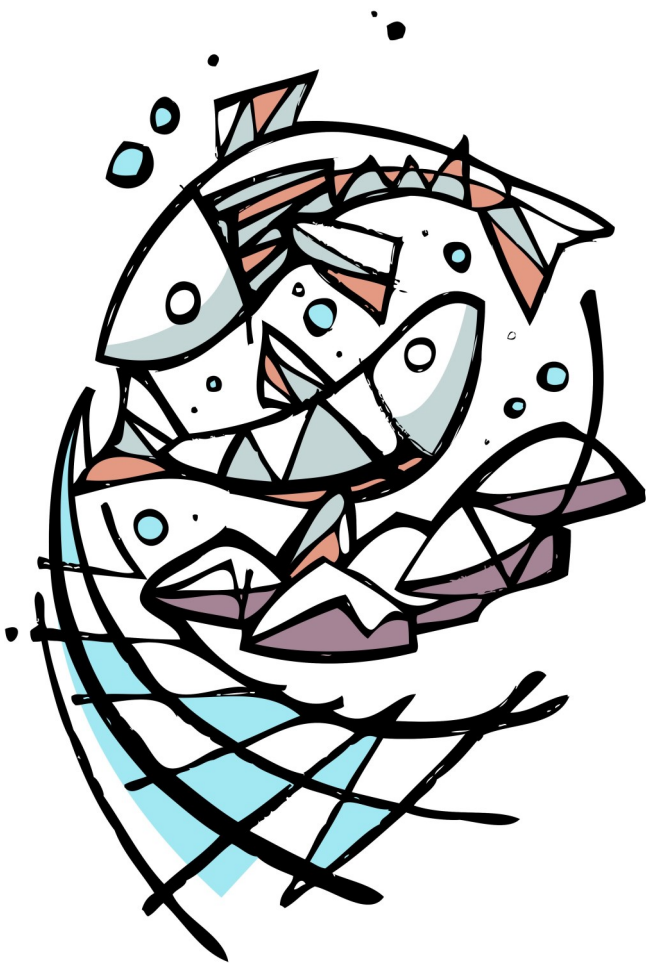
28TH JULY 2024 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 28.7.2024—17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Jesus was always concerned for the human needs of people as well as the spiritual. In today's Gospel he knows that the people have nothing to eat and he is anxious to remedy that. In other episodes we see him healing the sick, comforting the grieving, reaching out to the lost and outcast, to sinners. In the prayer he taught us, he urged us to ask the Father to 'give us this day our daily bread'. This bread can refer to himself, the Bread of Life, that we receive in Communion, but it also refers to the food we need for sustenance each day.

In this Gospel we also note the concern of Jesus that none of the food gets wasted as he urges the disciples to collect all of the scraps left over. Today we live in an age of incredible wastefulness, a throwaway society. Huge amounts of food are dumped every day. Today is a good day to consider our use of the resources of the earth.

One of the paradoxes of life is how a little can go a long way, as the boy with the five barley loaves and two fish demonstrates, while excess often leads to waste and leaves many hungry.

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World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly - Sunday 28 July

Pope Francis instituted the day in 2021 to be held on the fourth Sunday in July, close to the feast of Jesus' grandparents, St's Joachim and Anne. Pope Francis has chosen a line from Psalm 71 -- "Do not cast me off in my old age" -- as the theme for the 2024 celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. As the Catholic Church prepares for the Holy Year 2025, Pope Francis has asked Catholics to focus on prayer, which is why he chose the prayer of an elderly person from the Psalms for the theme, the Vatican said in a statement released Feb. 15.

His message encourages us to create bonds between the young and the older.

PETER'S PENCE SPECIAL COLLECTION 27TH/28TH JULY

All Parishes are obligated to take up this collection, which the diocese then sends to the Holy See.

Our special collection will be held this weekend on the **27th and 28th July**. Envelopes will be available in the Church.

Thank you
for your
support.



PETER'S PENCE

*"It is always better to
share, because we can
only bring to heaven
whatever we have
shared with others"*
Pope Francis



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

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 wyongparish@bbcatholic.org.au or 4352 1011. If there is currently anyone on the roster who is unable to continue, please advise the Parish office.

Parish Pastoral Council News

The PPC meeting was held on 9 July. Below is an update of news from the meeting.

Five new intending members (Lyn McMahon, Candice Little, Imra Lazar, Noela Ahearn, Marie Dyer) were welcomed to the meeting. These new members will assume office from 1 August 2024.

Minor updates to the constitution of the PPC were accepted and dated 9 July 2024. The updates included:-

- (i) **Numbers**- parishioner member official number increased from 10 to 12. Ex-officio members include Principals from our schools; Parish Engagement Officers (PEC); Youth Minister; Office Staff.
- (ii) PPC year will commence in August with the holding of the AGM and there will be at least 7 meetings each year.
- (iii) A quorum is half of official member numbers i.e. six

The **Annual General Meeting** for 2024 will be held on 13 August. Election of office bearers will occur at this meeting.

Bunnings Barbecue The allocated date for 2024 is Saturday 19 October. Organization and requests for help will be made in the middle of September.

The Parish Picnic which had been planned for late September has been postponed until early 2025.

Important Upcoming Dates & Events Please mark your calendars.

Saturday, 20 July - Confirmation - St Peter's College

Tuesday, 30 July - Christmas in July - St Peter's College

Sunday 1 September - Father's Day

Saturday 19 October ---Bunnings Barbecue ---Bunnings, Tuggerah.

Saturday 23 November -Installation of the relic of St Cecilia. ---St Cecilia's Wyong.

Friday, in December (TBA) --- Parish Christmas Function -St John Fisher Tumby Umbi.

YOUTH GROUP: Please see the notice board for Family Picnic and Chosen updates for term 3!

Contact Gabbi Scherer our youth coordinator on

gabbi.scherer@bbcatholic.org.au
for more info.

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SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2024

Congratulations to all the children who received the sacrament of confirmation on Saturday! Your dedication to your faith is truly commendable.

A special thank you to all of our volunteers for coming together to make this day a special and memorable one.



A big thank you to our sacramental team, teachers, parent engagement coordinators, Bishop David Walker, Fr. Raul, and Fr. Teody for their guidance, support, and commitment to nurturing the spiritual growth of our children. Also, a special thank you to the staff and students from St. Peter's Catholic College for the beautiful music, and their entertainment crew for the stage lighting and sound.



May the grace of this sacrament strengthen and guide you on your faith journey. Wishing you continued blessings and joy as you walk your path of faith.

RELIC SNIPPETS

During Term 3 presentations will be made to the students at St Cecilia and St John Fisher schools on the life story of St Cecilia, our relic and the planned celebration for the installation on 23rd of November.

At the end of the presentation each student will be given a book mark as a memento.



St Cecilia
PRAY FOR US



Year 5 from St Cecilia's school will be the first group of students spoken to on Monday the 29th July after their morning school Mass.



- Facts about St Cecilia
- lived in the 3rd Century
 - converted over 400 people and gave her belongings to the poor
 - martyred for her love of Jesus
 - her incorrupt body is found in St Cecilia's church in Trastevere, Rome under the high altar
 - Patroness of music & musicians
 - her feast day is 22nd November

St Joseph's Spirituality Centre

Gathering the NSW Josephite Companions will be holding a gathering at St Joseph's Spirituality & Education Centre, 8 Humphreys Road, Kincumber South from 10-12pm on the 5 August.

All those interested in getting to know about the charism of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop and Fr Julian Tenison Woods are most welcome to attend. Morning Tea will be provided. RSVP: 8741 2335 or nsw.companions@sosj.org.au by the 29 July for catering purposes.

Condolences

Our Parish extends our deepest condolences to Ros Maccari & her family for the passing of her husband Tarcisio (Charlie) Carlo Maccari.

The funeral will be held 11:30am, Monday 29th July at St Cecilia's Church, Wyong.

We pray that Charlie is in God's loving hands. May he now rest in God's eternal peace. Amen

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.

200 Club Update 2024

DATE	Type	1 ST		2 nd	
27th/28th July	Monthly	79	Noreen Bolton -Wood	7	Milva Kefu



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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

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

PARISH CONTACTS

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Assistant Priest **Fr Teody Medina, SOLT** Ph: 0414 494 823

Parish Secretary **Margaret Vandenberg** Ph: 02 4352 1011

Youth Co-Ordinator **Gabbi Scherer**

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PARISH WEBSITE: <https://www.bbcatholic.org.au/wyong/>

FACEBOOK: www.facebook.com/wyongcatholicparish

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, Rod & Pauline Cornwell, Michael & Julia McDermott, Michele Bolton, Jeanine Doueihy

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Dorrie Betts, Maureen Martin, Fr Michael Kelly, Kathy Honor, Marie Malouf, Sue Simmons, Tarcisio (Charlie) Carlo Maccari

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, Phill Houston, Ian Smith



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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 2 Kings 4:42-44

A reading from the second book of the Kings

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some over.'" He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 144:10-11, 15-18

R. The hand of the Lord feeds us;
he answers all our needs.

Second Reading Ephesians 4:1-6

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.

Alleluia!

Gospel John 6:1-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee - or of Tiberias - and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



THE SOLEMN PONTIFICAL MASS OF

Christian Burial for Most Rev Kevin Manning DD

2 NOVEMBER 1933 – 15 JULY 2024

FRIDAY 2 AUGUST 2024
11AM

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL
1 MARIST PLACE, PARRAMATTA

Following Mass, refreshments will be served in the Cloister Hall. For planning purposes, please confirm if you will attend the funeral:

parracatholic.org/bishopmanning

LIVESTREAM: www.bit.ly/3LCQmRe

Please note the following additional services:

**Thursday 1st August, 6pm,
St Patrick's Cathedral
Reception of the Body and
Vespers of the Dead followed by the Rosary**

Please confirm if you will attend:
parracatholic.org/bishopmanning

LIVESTREAM: www.bit.ly/3LC98rO

Monday 5th August in Coolah, NSW
11am Memorial Mass followed by the interment
at Coolah cemetery



Spirituality in the Pub (SIP)

Meeting 7.30-9.00pm 6th August at the Grange Hotel, Wyoming (cnr. Renwick St & Pacific Hwy).

The guest speakers are **Adrian & Margie Cohen**: Adrian and Margie have been Christians for most of their lives. Adrian, as a general surgeon, has seen the wonders of the Creator's hand in his work, and Margie, as a high school teacher and counsellor, has experienced God's grace and healing in relationships she has worked with. They have lived and worked on the Central Coast for over 35 years, having also had the privilege of regularly working in the Western Province of PNG over a period of 12 years. Adrian also worked for a time with Mercy Ships in Senegal

Tell anyone else who may be interested. Bistro opens at 5.30pm.

SIP enquiries: 0415 129250 or 0439 678608.

Many thanks in anticipation,

Tony

Tony Voller

for SIP Committee

Mob. 0488 334446

UPCOMING FAMILY PICNIC DATES:

4TH AUGUST

8TH SEPTEMBER

13TH OCTOBER

10TH NOVEMBER

8TH DECEMBER

FROM 10:30AM AT ST CECILIA'S CATHOLIC
CHURCH



CHOSEN TERM 3 DATES:

28TH JULY

11TH AUGUST

25TH AUGUST

9TH SEPTEMBER

22ND SEPTEMBER

**5-6:30PM AT ST CECILIAS CATHOLIC
CHURCH**



TUNE IN & CHILL OUT

THURSDAY 15, 22 & 29 AUGUST 2024
6.00 – 8.00PM

Central Coast Family Centre
10/10 Pioneer Avenue, Tuggerah Business Park

This 3 week group program is for people who wish to manage their emotions in healthier ways. Participants will learn and use mindfulness techniques to gain greater awareness and understanding of their emotions, such as anger, and express them in ways which are not harmful to themselves or others. The program consists of three sessions, conducted over three consecutive weeks.

Each session goes for two hours.
Light refreshments will be provided.

\$25 concession and \$65 full fee per session.
Package for 3 three week program: \$50 concession and \$130 full fee (payable prior to group commencement).

MORE INFO & BOOKINGS

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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

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- 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**