## WELCOME

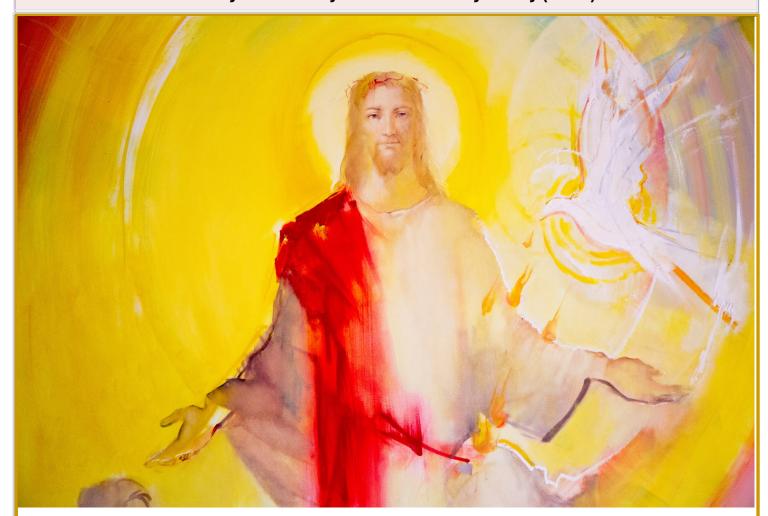
VISION The Wyong Catholic Parish is a welcoming, caring dynamic community

MISSION STATEMENT We will live and proclaim the message of the Gospel:

Engage, Participate, Reach out and Transform

5th May 2024 Sixth Sunday of Easter

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 05.05.2024 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

In today's first reading, we hear of another experience of the Holy Spirit coming down on all the listeners, including those who did not believe. This reminds us of the generosity, breadth and inclusivity of God's outpouring of the Spirit of Love. Let our hearts be formed by Love. Let our lives be formed by Love. Let our relationships be formed by Love.

Today's Gospel repeats words we have received in the daily readings this week: Ask, Chosen, Remain, Friend, Fruit, Love, Joy. Choose one of these words and speak it aloud. Breathe it in slowly. Allow the gift of this word to flow through you. Breathe it out upon the world.



**The Month of May**. Within the cycle of a year, the Church unfolds the whole of the mystery of Christ, from his incarnation and birth until his ascension, the day of Pentecost, and the expectation of blessed hope and of the Lord's return...

In celebrating this annual cycle of Christ's mysteries,

the Church honours with special love Mary, the

**Mother of God**, who is joined by an inseparable bond to the saving work of her Son. In her, the Church holds up and admires the most excellent effect of the redemption and joyfully contemplates, as in a flawless image, that which the Church itself desires and hopes wholly to be. SC 102, 103

### MOTHER MARY – Model of Humility, Love and Tenderness

"Whenever we look to Mary, we come to believe once again in the revolutionary nature of love and tenderness. In her we see that humility and tenderness are not virtues of the weak but of the strong who need not treat others poorly in order to feel important themselves."

Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 288

#### PRAY THE ROSARY

The Rosary allows us to encounter Mary and to enter the mysteries of Jesus Christ.

The rosary has been prayed since the thirteenth century.
While meditating on the life of Jesus, one recites the prayers that brings one closer to Him and to His

Mother, Mary.

#### HAIL MARY PRAYER

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.





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#### Pastoral Works Broken Bay May 2024 Appeal

Our Pastoral Works Appeal will be held over the next few weekends during the month of May. Wyong Parish's quota for this financial year is 21,836.



Our two key charitable works the Diocese supports are the Diocesan Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) and our Hospital Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care Practitioners – while still reflecting our support for students with disability at St Lucy's Schools and St Edmund's College as well as the Ephpheta centre for the deaf community.

We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity in these difficult financial times. Every donation makes a difference.

All donations over \$2 are 100% tax deductible.

#### CARITAS AUSTRALIA

Caritas Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2024.

If you still have your Project Compassion box could you please return them to the Parish.

## Holy Land Collection for Good Friday

Thank you to all who have donated to the Holy Land Collection for 2024.

#### RELIC SNIPPETS \_\_\_\_ Response to 'Suggestions & Ideas for the Reliquary'

We received 8 responses:

I. Part you would like to play in the development: One offer of help.

<u>II. A simple/elaborate reliquary:</u> Preference - a simple style in keeping with the age of the church. Traditional (not modern). Timber. Maybe incorporate some of the motifs from the church timber cornices.

III. Appearance of the reliquary itself: A simple beautiful style

**IV. Surrounds for the reliquary:** As the church is only small so a small area of decoration otherwise it will feel overpowering. Ask for donations of fresh roses.

V. Cost considerations: As we are not a wealthy parish is a grant possible?

<u>VI. Donations</u>: Feel it is acceptable to ask for donations. Gold coin or loose coins for special intention prayer requests and candles. Happy to donate.

VII. Fund Raising: Yes, if possible and bring the community together. Start after Easter.

VIII. & IX: Security of reliquary & church: Reliquary to be fixed securely to the wall. Yes, we need a security system.

**X. Other Suggestions:** Place relic in area of Divine Mercy picture. Artwork suggestions.

Use 'St Cecilia Mass' musical sheet which is in St Mary Mackillop's Museum in North Sydney for our Mass of celebration. Memorabilia for sale.

Contact St Cecilia's Parish, Balgowlah as they may be interested in supporting our project.

Outside garden area with a statue.

St. Cecilia

#### 200 Club Update 2024

## 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.

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4th/5th	weekly	133	John	60	Patricia
May			Robinson		Mooney

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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

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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, Betty McDermott, Irene Dainty

#### RECENTLY DECEASED:

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

**ANNIVERSARY MAY:** Mark Bastick, Brian Myers, John Donnolley, Marie Murray, Vincent Zammit,

To add or remove names in our "Prayers" section of the bulletin, please contact the Parish office to advise. Thank you.

## TUGGERAH SPORTS & SPINAL PHYSIOTHERAPY

Ricky Li Registered NDIS provider Phone 4355 4445 www.tuggerahphysio.com.au

#### 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.

#### 5 May 2024

#### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### First Reading Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up', he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.' While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 97:1-4

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

#### Second Reading 1 John 4:11-16 (7 EASTER B)

A reading from the first letter of St John

My dear people, since God has loved us so much, we too should love one another. No one has ever seen God; but as long as we love one another God will live in us and his love will be complete in us. We can know that we are living in him and he is living in us because he lets us share his Spirit. We ourselves saw and we testify that the Father sent his Son as saviour of the world. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him, and he in God. We ourselves have known and put our faith in God's love towards ourselves. God is love and anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him. Love will come to its perfection in us when we can face the day of Judgement without fear; because even in this world we have become as he is. In love there can be no fear, but fear is driven out by perfect love: because to fear is to expect punishment, and anyone who is afraid is still imperfect in love.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### Gospel Acclamation John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,

and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

#### Gospel John 15:9-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Jesus said to his disciples:

'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends; if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants anymore, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

### **SIP NOTICE**

The May meeting of Spirituality in the Pub is	s CANCELLED due to circumstances
beyond the control of SIP organisers.	

The Grange Hotel venue is unavailable on Tuesday 7th May.

The next SIP meeting will be on Tuesday 4th June.

Many thanks in anticipation,

Tony

Tony Voller for SIP Committee Mob. 0488 334446



## MAY APPEAL

"Your generosity with our Pastoral Works appeal helps us go further and wider in helping our community of Broken Bay, and more deeply connect us to our vision and the Mission of Jesus Christ. I am deeply grateful for your support."

MOST REV ANTHONY RANDAZZO DD JCL BISHOP OF BROKEN BAY

## Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD)



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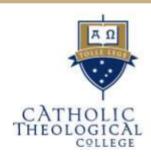
Every gift makes a difference. THANK YOU!



Please give generously to our MAY 2024 APPEAL

Your Tax-deductible gift supports vital pastoral ministries in our local community, Donate online at www.bbcatholic.org.au/pastoralworks







# Austin Cooper OMI

## Priest, Scholar & Friend – A Symposium



On 10 May 2024, Catholic Theological College will host a symposium in honor of Rev. Professor Austin Cooper OMI AM (1931-2023) founding Master of CTC, historian, formator, and ecumenical friend.

The symposium will feature speakers exploring Fr Austin's various contributions to Christian scholarship and formation, and as spiritual friend to so many. Attendance will be both in person or via videostream.

#### Speakers include:

Ms Anne McIlroy

Professor Gabrielle McMullen
Rev. Professor Frank Moloney SDB AM
Professor Katharine Massam
Rev. Dr Daniel Szewc OMI
Rev. Dr Max Vodola
Dr Frances Baker RSM
Rev. Assoc. Professor John Dupuche

Austin Cooper: First Master of CTC CTC: The Early Years Respecting Real Life: Benedict and His Rule Oblate History and Spirituality Historian and Teacher Study Tours and Spirituality of Place Importance of Spiritual Texts Spiritual Friendship

## Friday | 10 May 2024 | 10.00am – 4.30pm

Knox Room, Catholic Theological College, 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne

#### **REGISTRATION:**

Face-to-Face: \$60 (Lunch included) | Online: \$30 (Bookings close 3 May 2024 5.00pm)



To book scan the QR code or go to trybooking.com/COICP

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# OUR LADY OF FATIMA NIGHT

IITH MAY, SATURDAY VIGIL

© 5:00 PM

MAIN CELEBRANT:
MOST REV ANTHONY RANDAZZO,
BISHOP OF BROKEN BAY DIOCESE

AFTER MASS MULTI-LINGUAL ROSARY & CANDLE PROCESSION



## <u>CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL NSW CLELBRATING</u> <u>PENTECOST EVE " ANOINTING"</u>

Please join the Catholic Charismatic Renewal NSW in celebrating Pentecost Eve "Anointing" on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May at Servants of Jesus Centre 15 Park Road Seven Hills for an afternoon of Praise & Worship, Testimonies and Prayer Ministry from 4-7pm hosted by youth from different streams. Booking is essential, register with link. https://www.trybooking.com/CPMXQ?gr=true.

Any inquires email: email@ccrnsw.org.au











The Diocese of Broken Bay is excited to invite you to an exclusive event featuring renowned speaker **Jason Evert**.

Join us on Wednesday, 22 May 2024, at The Light of Christ Centre, Yardley Ave; Waitara.

Festivities and foodtrucks will be available from 6.00 pm, with Jason's talk on "Finding Your Soulmate Without Losing Your Soul" starting at 7:00 pm.

This is a **FREE** event, but seats are limited, so **registration** is **essential**. Please note that no ticket means no entry. Ticketing is open exclusively to Broken Bay young adults until Tuesday, 30 April.

Don't miss out on getting your tickets, BOOK NOW!

To register, please visit <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/CRFMV">https://www.trybooking.com/CRFMV</a> or by clicking on the QR code on the flyer.

We look forward to seeing you there!

<sup>\*</sup>Food, soft drinks and coffee at attendee's expense



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**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