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Keep Us In Your Prayers *Prayer: The most valuable gift you can give someone.*

Sick: Len Miller, Sr Sylvia Markulin, Victor Gibbs, Harriet Powell, Danae Roe, Peter Ford, Gail Parsons, Harry Hall.

Recently Deceased: Manuela Anisco, Raquel Cabiles, Anne Badge, Patricia Mutton, Trevelne Sontor, Fr Tito Ayo, SOLT, Angelita Tabije, Rita Muscat.

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



100% LOVE Project Compassion

You may remember Salma, who featured in Project Compassion 2013. At the time she was pregnant with her first child, sick and terribly frightened. In distress, she sought the help of a midwife trained by Caritas' Safe Motherhood Program. Six years on, she's now a healthy mother of two strong, happy children. Salma is committed to giving her children the education they need to provide them with the future she hoped for.

"The human heart is always drawn by love." St Catherine of Siena

Safeguarding Message

A culture of Safeguarding values COMMITMENT...."Speak out and judge fairly, defend the rights of the poor and needy."
- see Proverbs 31:9

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 wyongcatholicparish@yahoo.com)

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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

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

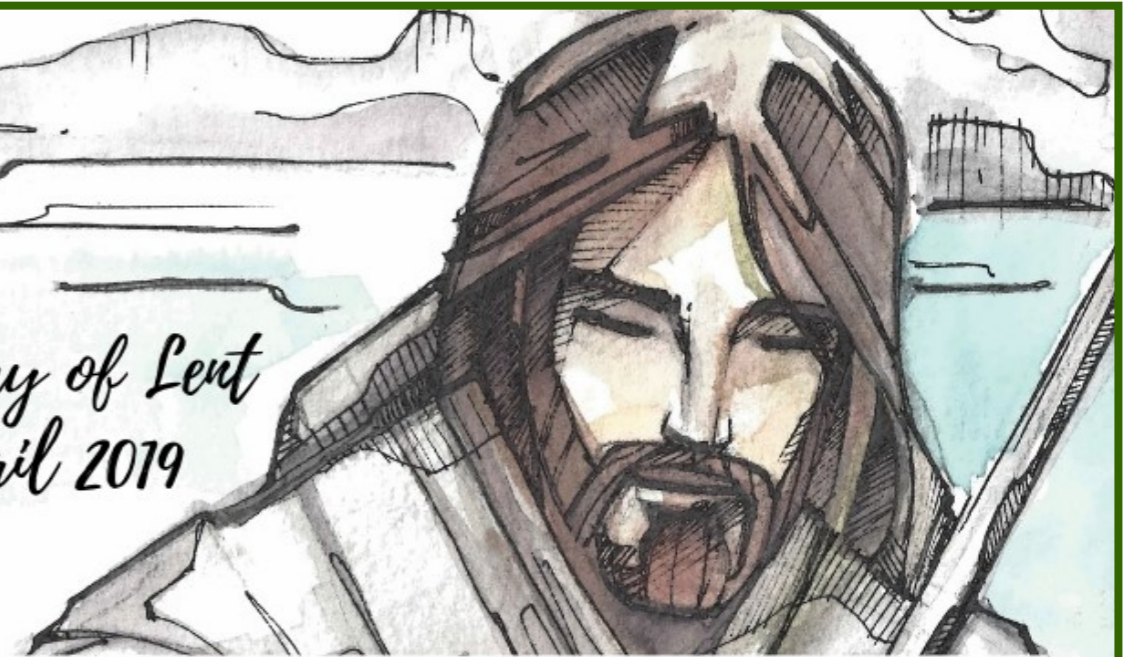
St John Fisher Fri after the 9:15am Mass

St Cecilia's Church

Rosary Group 2pm Tuesdays

Legion of Mary 8am Wednesdays

*5th Sunday of Lent
7th April 2019*



GOSPEL REFLECTION

What would have been the next chapter in the life of the woman in today's Gospel. Did she go away and sin no more? She lived in a society where public sinners were shunned by everyone, even their own families. There were no social security systems to help her as there are today. Perhaps her only option for survival was to continue as a prostitute.

But we do have reasons to hope that she found a better future, perhaps in the company of Jesus' followers. She has a remarkable strength of character. Her behavior during her 'trial' foreshadows Jesus' behavior during his trial—he too will remain silent before his accusers. She also remains standing before Jesus after all of her accusers have left. At that moment she could have fled herself but she waits in the presence of Jesus. She knows that something significant is happening here, and to her. Her wait is rewarded when Jesus speaks to her respectfully, quietly and firmly, and says 'neither do I condemn you, go and sin no more'.

I'm sure Jesus words, 'neither do I condemn you', remained with her throughout her life. Maybe she was transformed by them. Maybe she did manage to create a new life for herself. I hope so. May we too have the courage to simply stand before Jesus in our sinfulness and allow him to speak to us. May we hear him say, 'I do not condemn you, go away and sin no more'.

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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



Wyong Parish Easter Egg Raffle

Over the next two weeks we will be selling raffle tickets to raise money for:

St Cecilia's Church; raising funds for the church roof and

St John Fisher Mass Ctr; raising funds for the disabled access ramp to the Centre.

Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

The raffle will be drawn on Palm Sunday at the Sun 9.30am Mass at St Cecilia's and Sun 5pm Mass at St John Fisher.

Our Parish welcomes to Mass this weekend all the children who are commencing their preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please pray that the Holy spirit will guide our children over the coming weeks in their preparation to receive this sacrament.

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.

Parish Lenten Preparation

Friday 5th & Friday 12th April - St Cecilia's Church

6.30pm Stations of the Cross
7pm - 8pm The Light is on (Adoration & Reconciliation)

New Website and Email

Wyong Catholic Parish has a new Diocesan website, the website address is:

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

Please take note of our new email address as the old email address will be disconnected as of July.

wyongcatholicparish@yahoo.com

PALM SUNDAY Readings: 14th April 2019

(Entrance: Lk 19:28-40) **First Reading** Is 50:4-7;
Second Reading Phil 2:6-11; **Gospel** Lk 22:14—23:56

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

Roster - Easter Ceremonies
The Rosters for Easter Ceremonies are at the back of both the Church/Mass Ctr. There are still many ministries that need filling, please consider your availability.

St Cecilia's & St John Fisher New Ministry Rosters Available

Thank you for your on-going commitment to our Mass ministries. The next Roster for April-July is now available at the entrances to the Church/Chapel.

HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES 2019

Palm Sunday

St John Fisher Mass Ctr

13th April Saturday Vigil Reconciliation following the 5pm Mass

14th April Sunday Reconciliation following the 5pm Mass

Holy Tuesday

16th April

Chrism Mass Waitara Cathedral 7.30pm

Holy Thursday

18th April

Mass of the Last Supper

St John Fisher Tumbi 7pm

Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 10pm
(Reconciliation will be available)

Good Friday

19th April

Stations of the Cross

St Cecilia's Wyong 10am

St John Fisher Tumbi 10am

The Lord's Passion

St Cecilia's Wyong 3pm

St John Fisher Tumbi 3pm

Holy Saturday

20th April

Easter Vigil Mass

St Cecilia's Wyong 7pm

Easter Sunday

21st April

Mass of the Resurrection

St Cecilia's Wyong

7.30am & 9.30am

St John Fisher Tumbi

8.30am & 5pm

In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop 25th Anniversary National Pilgrimage

The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the 25th anniversary National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop.

The Pilgrimage commences in Melbourne 22 October, visiting Penola, Adelaide and other significant places, and concludes in Sydney 2 November 2019.

Cost \$3,575 - \$4,390 (twin share) depending on capital city of departure (Australia or New Zealand).

Single supplement for all areas \$685 pp.

For a brochure, application form or further information please email national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or call Sr Therese Leydon rsj on 0417 683 123, or Sr Annie Bond rsj on 02 8912 4818.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April; Workers in War Zones For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.



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.

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