



AS A PARISH WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS FOR :

RECENTLY DECEASED *Jeanette Ziebarth, Yvonne Flynn, Paul Gorman, Helen Reddy, Susan Ryan, Dean Jones, Bell Short, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Pat Hyland, Gwenda Holmes, Peter Lawler, Helen Rice, Lindsay Leighton, Paulinus Oboshi, Christa Lindsay, Beau Hilton, Josef Kovacs, Stephen Thompson, Joan Guy, Margaret Boydell, Eileen Gaynor, Ricky Kemp, Victoria Mason, Van Brill Langford, Jack Logan, Hazel Butz, Maurice Scully, Pat Dallas & Dr Pat Morgan.*

ANNIVERSARIES For those whose anniversaries occur about this time - *Geoff McKell, deceased members of Hyland, Campbell & Honner families, Cyril Rodd, Bill Byrne, Alice & Jack Mason, Chris & Dominic Tinning, John Malone, Bradley Chisholm, Greg Driscoll, Paul & Maureen Graham, Ashley Miranda, Bell & Lance Rootes, Bill Mason, Heinz Munester, Molly Callum, Bob Thurling, Tim Fischer, Kevin Cummins & Jacqui Cummins.* **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the Perpetual Light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.**

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK OR IN NEED *Names will normally only be published in the bulletin with an individual or family member's permission: Gerard Phegan, Marie Simkin, Flo Gibbons, Ann Morton (Temora), Pat Fyfe, Pauline Cleary, Mervyn Bootes, Anne-Maree Bramich, Joan Burgun, Marie Jones, Brian Tingle, Vince Murphy, Judy Dempsey, Pat Connors, Alan Stott, Noelene Bartlett, Robert Dodwell, Danny McIntyre, Poss Hamilton, Darryl Kennedy, Denise Goonan, Kim Meredith, Lola Goddard, Yvonne Colhurn, Jim & Helen Tregoe, Christopher Collins, Minnie Maggs, Victoria Tamis, Shonagh Van Schotem, Alison Graham, Sue McAlpin, Paddy Barnes, Marlene Ballard, Carmel (Dore) Alchin, Allison Byrne, Jim & Bernadette Hargrave, John Connell, Liz Pertz, Joan Higham, Jaye Roberts, Christine Smith, Barbara Booth, Irene Schonenberg, Alice Carroll, Yuri Dobinson, Graham McMullen, Jim Crofton, Marisha Petzel, Jane Larson, Chris Johnson, Natalie Quinlivan, as well as those in hospitals and nursing homes in Wagga and those not able to come to Mass.*

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OUR LADY OF FATIMA

provides pastoral and sacramental support to **The Forrest Centre, The Haven, RSL Life Care Remembrance Village, Kildare Catholic College, Henschke Primary School and provides catechism classes at Turvey Park, Red Hill & Uranquinty Public Schools.**

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND 17/18 OCTOBER

SATURDAY: 5.00pm Mass
SUNDAY: 8.30am and 10.30am Masses
8.30am NO Uranquinty Mass
5.30 Syro-Malabar Mass only

WEEKDAY 12 - 16 OCTOBER

MON - FRI: 8am Calvary Chapel Mass
TUES: NO 8am Kildare Mass
10am Mass OLOF
11am RSL Village Mass
WEDNESDAY: 10am Mass OLOF, cuppa afterwards
THUR: 11am Forrest Centre Mass
5.30pm Syro-Malabar Mass
FRIDAY: 5.45pm Mass

RECONCILIATION

10.30am - 11.30am Saturday

BAPTISMS

Sundays with a maximum of 90 people
Please contact the Parish Office to arrange your child's baptism.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office

THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA STH WAGGA AND ST PATRICK'S URANQUINTY

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 11 OCTOBER 2020

The Catholic community of Our Lady of Fatima, in line with government regulations, can now celebrate Mass with a limit of 90 people.



Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Parish acknowledge the Wiradjuri people, the traditional custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.
May we too be good stewards of this land.

IF YOU PICK UP A BULLETIN, PLEASE TAKE IT HOME. DUE TO CURRENT RESTRICTIONS WE CANNOT RE-USE THEM.

In the parable of the wedding feast, Jesus offers an image of the kingdom of heaven using the symbol of a wedding banquet. In today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah and in today's psalm, the Lord's goodness is evident in the symbol of a feast of good food and wine. Jesus' listeners would have been familiar with the image of a wedding feast as a symbol for God's salvation. They would consider themselves to be the invited guests. Keeping this in mind helps us to understand the critique Jesus makes with this parable. The context for this parable is the growing tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders in Jerusalem. This has been the case for the past two Sundays and will continue to be true for the next several weeks. The parable Jesus tells is straightforward. The king dispatches his servants to invite the guests to

the wedding feast that he is planning for his son. The listeners would have been surprised to learn that the first guests refused the invitation. Who would refuse the king's invitation? A second dispatch of servants follows. Again to the listeners' great surprise, some guests ignore the invitation. Some of the invited guests even go so far as to mistreat and kill the servants. The king invokes his retribution against these murderers by destroying them and burning their city. We might stop here for a moment. Why would some guests kill the servants sent to invite them to the king's wedding feast? It might be possible that the king was a tyrant, evidenced by the destruction of the city of those who refused his invitation. But if we follow this idea, then the allegory seems to be about something other than the kingdom of heaven. It is more likely

that the destruction of the city would have been a powerful image corresponding to the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70, which would have been an important event for Matthew's audience. With the invited guests now deemed unworthy to attend the king's wedding feast, the servants are sent to invite whomever they can find. The guests arrive, but it appears that accepting the king's invitation brings certain obligations. The guest who failed to dress in the appropriate wedding attire is cast out of the feast. We are reminded that while many are invited to the kingdom of heaven, not all are able to meet its requirements. God invites us to his feast, giving us his salvation. Yet he asks us to repent for our sins. Jesus' message in the parable cautions against exclusive beliefs about the kingdom of heaven. The parable also teaches about humility. Those who assume that they are the invited guests may find that they have refused the invitation, and so others are invited in their place. To accept the invitation is also to accept its obligations. God wants our full conversion in complete acceptance of his mercy.



READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
First: Is 45:1, 4-6
Second: 1 Thess 1:1-5
Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

THOUGHT

I asked a wise man. "tell me sir, in which field could I make a great career?" He said with a smile. "Be a good human being. There is a lot of opportunity in this area and very little competition."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

RESPONSE: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart, that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. **Alleluia!**

Raise Your Hand



In life we err frequently, we make many mistakes. We all do. Wait, maybe someone has never made a mistake? Raise your hand if you are that someone, there: a person who has never made a mistake? We all do it! All of us! Perhaps not a day goes by without making some mistake.... Let us learn to acknowledge our mistakes and to ask for forgiveness.

Reflection: *St. Therese of Lisieux once said, "How happy I am to see myself imperfect and be in need of God's mercy." It can be difficult to accept our mistakes, but it gives us an opportunity to see God's mercy and to rely on it more deeply. When you make a mistake today, take the opportunity to pray for a greater reliance on God's mercy.*

October is World Mission month

For more information please go to the following website:

catholicmission.org.au



WELCOME TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

We welcome Addison Wilson daughter of Shane & Courtney, Ehitare Omonria, daughter of Gabriel & Obehi who will be baptised this weekend.
Many blessings for your families.



FR PADDY

From Monday 28 September until Friday 16 October, I will be on leave. Fr Anto, Cheryl & Katrina are in charge!!

NEW PROTOCOLS FOR ATTENDING MASS

- ◆ The Bishops of Australia have dispensed with the obligation of Catholics to attend Mass on Sundays. You can satisfy the current requirements by attending weekday Mass, watching Mass for you at home, or saying the rosary.
- ◆ A welcomer will greet you on arrival to answer any questions you might have.
- ◆ Please record your details on the form at the front of the Church before **each** Mass.
- ◆ Hand sanitiser to be used when entering the Church after signing in.
- ◆ **Please sit at the end of the pews, or in the middle.**
- ◆ Social distancing to be practised within the Church and also when lining up to receive Holy Communion.
- ◆ There will be **no** singing of hymns during Mass.
- ◆ Holy Communion will only be received in the hand, **not** on the tongue. The Precious Blood will **not** be offered.
- ◆ **PARISHIONERS WHO ARE NOT FEELING WELL ARE ASKED NOT TO COME TO MASS.**
- ◆ Collection plates will not be passed around the Church. Collection buckets will be available at the front of the Church.
- ◆ **Please be aware of social distancing as you are leaving the Church at the end of Mass.**

COVID-19 UPDATE

In order to comply with the COVID-19 restrictions, parishioners are **not** allowed to sing any hymns during Mass. We can only have an organist and a cantor.



Seats need to be wiped at the end of each service.

The Parish Office is open from 9am - 1pm
Tuesday to Friday.
Please call during these times.

PARISH LIFE

FRI 23 Oct: 7.30pm Confirmation at St Michael's Cathedral.

SUN 25 Oct: 12pm Confirmation at St Michael's Cathedral.

MON 26 Oct: 6pm Confirmation at St Michael's Cathedral.

SAT 31 Oct: 9.30am - 1pm Family Fun Day at Erin Earth

FRI 6 Nov: 10am & 5.45pm Mass for All Souls.

OLOF Mass is available through Facebook -
OLOF South Wagga and
www.olof.waggamatters.com

Remember to check the bench and the notice board at the back of the church for current events and information.

COLLECTIONS

Thank you for supporting the Parish.

You may like to make a direct debit online using the information below. **Thank you!**

FIRST COLLECTION: (for the support of priests)

Account name: South Wagga Presbytery
BSB: 066 789 Acc. no: 100004151

SECOND COLLECTION (Planned Giving which covers the Parish expenses.)

Name of account: South Wagga Parish Account.
BSB 066 789 Account no: 100004152

Ref: Your name

Two little boys were at a  wedding when one of them leaned over to the other and asked, "How many wives can a man have?" His friend answered, "Sixteen.... four better, four worse, four richer and four poorer."

MASSES FOR ALL SOULS

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will be having 2 Masses for All Souls Day this year:

10am Friday 6 November - for all parishioners.
5.45pm Friday 6 November - for people who have lost loves ones in the past 12 months.

We understand this is an important Mass for families to pray for their deceased family members, so in order to comply with the current restrictions, could you please put your name on the sheet at the front of the Church if you intend to come to the 10am Mass.

All who attend will have an opportunity to light a candle in memory of deceased loved ones.



Due to current restrictions we can have 90 people in the Church. We are very vigilant of the numbers as they are increasing.

WELCOMERS

Since we have reopened the Church, the Parish Pastoral Councillors have welcomed you to Sunday Mass. We are seeking other volunteers for this ministry.
Are you interested?
Contact Fr Paddy, Fr Anto, or the parish office.

ROSTER FOR 17/18 OCTOBER 2020

	LECTOR	COMMENTATOR	EUCARIST MINISTER	ROSARY STATUE
5.00pm	Sr Timothy	K Mowett	not required	Not during the
8.30am	A Heard	C Harper	during COVID-19 times.	COVID-19 times
10.30am	G Rosser	C Ingram		