



**AS A PARISH WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS FOR :**

**RECENTLY DECEASED** *Jim McDermott, John Dawson, Max Sydenham, Irma Moreels, Fay Adams, Margo Doherty, Noel Koko Gyi, Jeanne Brennan, Laurie Evans, Mabel Stubbs, Santa Saliot, Ruth Gissing, Fr Brian Maher, Fiona Daniher, Darrell Lovekin, Mike Bailey, Ronald Terry, Frank Zebic, Maurie Byrne, Kathleen Stinson, Marie Dale, Jan Brill, Kathy Minehan, Baby Reuben Wallace, Norma McCurdy, Pip Grant, Matthew Lee, Terry Rosengren, Helen Phelan, Iris Stewart, Margaret Matthews, Jerry Baxter, Fr Paul O'Neill, Shaun Bramich, Bede Conlan, Mary Rossi & Peter Gatti.*

**ANNIVERSARIES** For those whose anniversaries occur about this time - *Bob Larkins, Frank Bradley, John Stout, deceased members of Wicks & Kolder families, Charlie Muscat, Anne Trevasik, Peter Weidemann, Marjorie Cole, Elaine De Jong, Marcia Ann Kain, Robert & Ellen Halloran, Peter Rocks, Norman McLennan, Dominic Tinning, Reg, Frankie & Justin O'Neill, deceased members of O'Connor & Saboisky families & Brendan Levett. 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: John Brinckman, Don & Thea Phillips, Ben Carruthers, Cathy Coughlin, Richard Enyioko, Trina Clark, Julie Velthuis, Leila Hale, Kate Chalker, Emily Patterson, Loise White, Beryl Mabon, Chris Harmer, Isaac Cather, Nick Heath, Brad Fewson, Will Trist, Barry Green, Jake Precians, Bobby Weeden, Peter Sykes, Lorna Hann, Kaitlyn Kerr, Kay Ryan, Scott Lyons, Ann Levett, Myree Cabarles, Patty Nolan, Garry McGrath, Dick Hargreaves, Gracie Goodyer, Val Dolan, Marilyn Winters, Marie Simkin, Ann Morton (Temora), Pat Fyfe, Pauline Cleary, Anne-Maree Bramich, Joan Burgun, Brian Tingle, Pat Connors, Alan Stott, Noelene Bartlett, Robert Dodwell, Poss Hamilton, Darryl Kennedy, Denise Goonan, Kim Meredith, Lola Goddard, Yvonne Colhurn, Jim & Helen Tregaea, Christopher Collins, Victoria Tamis, Paddy Barnes, Marlene Ballard, Carmel Dawe, Jim & Bernadette Hargrave, Liz Pertz, Jaye Roberts, Christine Smith, Marisha Petzel, Chris Johnson, 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, Catholic Health Care - The Haven, RSL Life Care Remembrance Village, Kildare Catholic College, Henschke Catholic Primary School and provides catechism classes at Turvey Park, Red Hill & Uranquinty Public Schools.

**MASSES NEXT WEEKEND 31 JULY/1 AUGUST**

**SATURDAY:** 5.00pm Mass  
**SUNDAY:** 8.30am and 10.30am Masses  
8.30am Uranquinty Mass  
5.30 Syro-Malabar Mass

**WEEKDAY 26 – 30 JULY**

**MON - FRI:** 8am Calvary Chapel Mass  
**TUES:** 8am Kildare Mass  
NO 10am Mass  
10.30am Anointing Mass Henschke Hall  
**WED:** 10am Mass  
**THUR:** 11am Forrest Centre Mass  
**FRIDAY:** 9.15am Year 3 Mass  
5.30pm 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**

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 25 JULY 2021**

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.*



**PLEASE NOTE**

Due to the new COVID restrictions which are now in place, all parishioners will need to wear a mask during Mass, singing is not allowed and 4sqm rule applies.



In John's Gospel, Jesus' multiplication of the loaves and the fishes is presented as a sign of his authority and divinity. Jesus interprets the meaning and significance of this miracle as a sharing of his Body and Blood. This chapter is sometimes called the "Bread of Life Discourse." In many important ways, John's Gospel uses the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes to teach about the Eucharist. Like the Last Supper, this miracle is said to have occurred near the time of the Jewish feast of Passover. Jesus' language is similar to the language he used at the Last Supper as reported in the Synoptic Gospels. John's description of this event also anticipates the Messianic banquet of heaven, as the crowd

reclines and all hungers are satisfied with abundance. This connection is further amplified by the response of the crowd, who wants to make Jesus a king. John is teaching us that each time we celebrate the Eucharist, we are anticipating the eternal banquet of heaven. Recall that John's Gospel tells the story of the Last Supper differently than the Synoptic Gospels. Instead of describing the meal and Jesus' actions with the bread and cup, John describes how Jesus washed his disciples' feet. We hear this Gospel when we remember the Last Supper on Holy Thursday. This recollection of Jesus' action at the Last Supper complements the institution narrative of the Synoptic Gospels and Paul's Letters that we hear repeated at each Mass. In both stories about the Eucharist—the washing of the disciples' feet and the multiplication of

the loaves and the fishes—the Gospel of John teaches us that the Eucharist is an action. Our word Eucharist is taken from the Greek language and describes an action: "to give thanks." In the Eucharist we are fed by Jesus himself, and we are sent to serve others. John's Gospel notes the detail that the bread blessed and shared with the crowd are barley loaves. This is the food of the poor. It reminds us that God feeds and nourishes us, fulfilling our physical needs as well as our spiritual ones. In the Eucharist, we are sent to serve the poorest among us. The story of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes recalls a particular aspect of the Mass. In this miracle, Jesus transforms a young boy's offering of five barley loaves and two fish. In the offertory at Mass, we present the fruits of our labors, represented by bread and wine. These gifts, given to us first by God as grain and fruit, are returned to God in our offering of thanksgiving. God in turn transforms our gifts, making this bread and wine the very Body and Blood of Jesus. We also offer ourselves in this exchange, and we, too, are transformed by the Eucharist.



**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
First: Ex 16:2-4  
Second: Eph 4:17, 20-24  
Gospel: Jn 6:24-35

**THOUGHT**

*Rainbows exist to prove that beautiful things can happen, even after a bad storm.*

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**RESPONSE:** The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia!** A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. **Alleluia!**

## To Become Saints



Being holy is not a privilege for the few, as if someone had a large inheritance; in baptism we all have an inheritance to be able to become saints. Holiness is a vocation for everyone. Thus we are all called to walk on the path of holiness, and this path has a name and a face: the face of Jesus Christ. He teaches us to become saints.

**Reflection:** *Holiness is not about what we can do; it's about what God can do through us. Turn to the face of Jesus. He wants to give you the mercy and grace to become a saint. Trust him and not yourself.*

### CATHOLIC MISSION

On the weekend of August 7/8 Jane Plum will be speaking at each mass about the work of the Catholic Mission. There will also be a special collection at all masses that weekend.

The Parish Office is open from 9am - 1pm  
**Tuesday to Wednesday** and  
 10am - 2pm **Thursday to Friday.**  
 Please call during these times.

If you are among the many who no longer carry cash, you might consider contributing to the Parish by on-line banking. *We would certainly appreciate your help.*

**FIRST COLLECTION:** *(for the support of priests)*

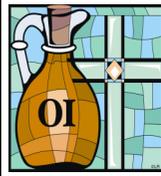
Account name: South Wagga Presbytery  
 BSB: 066 789 Acc. no: 100004151

**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

## WELCOME

We welcome Fr Damian Jellett who will be at all OLOF Masses this weekend.



*The Anointing Mass will be held in the Henschke Hall at 10.30am this Tuesday 27 July.*

*All welcome.*

### Sunday 1st August 2021; 2:30pm

Bishop Mark Edwards presents a screening of 'Last Cab to Darwin' to raise awareness and promote discussion around the issue of voluntary assisted dying.

Save the date and come and see this highly acclaimed film with a powerful and compelling storyline which touches sensitively on many of the issues at play.

There will be an opportunity for a cuppa and conversation after the movie.

Tickets now on sale. Please contact the Parish Office if interested.

Our Lady of Fatima Church is fitted with an audio loop. It is accessible in all seating areas by using the T-switch on your hearing aid.

*If you know of anyone who would like to receive the newsletter, please send us their email address.*

*Also, please let us know if there are elderly, or shut-in parishioners, who may need a friendly call from their Parish Priest.*

## PARISH LIFE

**SUN 25 July:** *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly*

**TUES 27 July:** *10.30am Anointing Mass in Henschke Hall.*

**SUN 1 August:** *2.30pm Last Cab to Darwin screening. Register interest with Parish Office.*

**SAT 28 August:** *Spirituality Day for women, 9.00am - 3.30pm Narrandera. See flyer at the back of the church for more information.*

**Sat 11 Sept:** *10.30am Ordination of Deacon Connell Perry at St Michael's Cathedral.*

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

### PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR STATE SCHOOLS

We will be commencing our Sacramental Program for State Schools this term.

Please contact the Parish Office if you have children who would like to be part of this program.



### PLANNED GIVING

If you would like a receipt for your planned giving, please email or call the Parish Office.

*The Parish would like to acknowledge any significant special events occurring in your family life. Please let us know and we will include them in the newsletter.*

A taxi passenger tapped the driver on the shoulder to ask him a question. The driver screamed, lost control of the car, nearly hit a bus, went up on the footpath and stopped centimetres from a shop window. For a second everything went quiet in the taxi, then the driver said, "Look mate, don't ever do that again. You scared the daylights out of me!" The passenger apologised and said, "I didn't realise that a little tap would scare you so much." The driver replied, "Sorry, it's not your fault. Today is my first day as a taxi driver.....I've been driving a funeral car for the last 25 years."

*Smile*

### New QR Code



We are now using the Service NSW QR Code. All your details will be saved on your App which should make checking in easier.

### World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Pope Francis has proclaimed the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated on the fourth Sunday in July each year – July 25 this year. It is marked near the feast of Sts Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. You are encouraged to find creative ways to celebrate the contribution of older people to their families and communities.

Access resources at

[www.catholic.org.au/grandparents](http://www.catholic.org.au/grandparents)



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

### ROSTER FOR 31 JULY/1 AUGUST 2021

	LECTOR	COMMENTATOR	EUCARIST MINISTER	ROSARY STATUE
5.00pm	T Quinn	C Griffiths	not required	Not during the
8.30am	M Golden	C Haining	during COVID-19 times.	COVID-19 times
10.30am	B Malone	M Petzel		