



Corpus Christi

13th / 14th June 2020

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Mass at Sacred Heart North Albury

Join our virtual celebration of the Eucharist each Sunday while coronavirus restrictions remain which is broadcast from Xavier High School Chapel.

Simply click on the YouTube link provided on our website. Will be available for your participation by Saturday afternoon. Thanks to Nick Manning from the IT department at Xavier, Cameron Adam, to Ed & Marg Brown and James Burke (website) for their assistance in this regard.

Prayer Resources: Located on parish website under "Latest Newsletter".

From Liturgy Brisbane: The first document contains the Sunday readings with associated commentaries and prayers. It is suggested that families gather to read the scriptures aloud together.

The second resource is designed for families with young children. An extract from the Sunday gospel is provided, along with some reflection questions, a family activity and a worksheet for children.

Letter from our new Bishop Mark Edwards

Dear people and clergy of the Diocese of Wagga Wagga, Greetings in the Risen Lord. Pope Francis has asked me to be the bishop of Wagga Wagga Diocese and I want to commence our friendship and relationship. I am grateful and am looking forward to being among you. Archbishop Prowse has told me of your love for the Lord and your generosity and faithfulness to Him.

You have waited a long time for a new bishop. I thank you all for your perseverance, your patience and good will, which have enabled the Diocese to function so well over these last three-and-a-half years. With you, I acknowledge and thank Bishop Gerard Hanna, who served the Diocese for over 14 years.

Thank you, also, to Archbishop Christopher Prowse, who will continue to serve as Apostolic Administrator until my installation, and Fr Kevin O'Reilly and Msgr Douglas George, the delegates of the Apostolic Administrator. They have almost certainly served for much longer than they expected. I join with you in gratitude to them and to the staff of the Diocese.

This Diocese was here long before I was called to be Bishop and will be around long after me; that reminds us that this is God's work. Each Sunday we recite that we believe in the Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. One meaning of this is that we trust that God is working in and through the Church. For this reason, I experience this appointment as a call from God to be with you and to journey with you as disciple, brother and bishop. Together, as a community of missionary disciples, we will worship, love and evangelise.

I am aware that I have much to learn, particularly about parish life and the joys and challenges of being a Catholic in Wagga Wagga Diocese. Keen to listen to your stories and those of the Diocese, I come humble, with deep interest and love.

As the people and clergy of Wagga Wagga Diocese, we will face many challenges together and can do so with hope and confidence as Jesus is with us to the end of time.

COVID-19 restrictions will make having a large number of people present at the installation of the new bishop impossible, so we will have a quiet beginning after the long wait. Perhaps later we will be able to have a larger formal gathering to celebrate this moment.

Because many of you can't come to me, I will come to you. I do plan to move around and be in various parishes and meet as many of you as possible, as quickly as possible. I look forward to meeting you personally, learning the stories of your communities and working collaboratively with you in living out our mission as disciples of Jesus.

Please pray for me that I may offer the service that the Diocese needs, I will pray for you. Yours in Jesus Christ and Mary Immaculate

Mark Edwards OMI Bishop Elect of Wagga Wagga

Jesus -
The Bread of Life

Parish Community



We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Fr Wilf Plunkett, Fr Noel Connolly,

Alan Ofak, Murray McCooke, Alan Lehmann, Joe Colek, Maureen Wesley, Judy Sutherland, Martin Smith, Brendan Glassgow, Margaret Locke, Ella Pallot, Jack Williams.

ANNIVERSARIES: Peter Fraser, Fr Len Egan, Ruth Wynter, Wally Crowe, Anita Williams, Sr Mary Hamilton, Kevin Thomas, Marie Dick, Leo Boswell, Bob Monk, Ken Willis, Vera Maguire, Laurence Smith, Anne Slattery, Angelika Huysse, Lesley Collins, Shirley Hill-Willis, Mary Hull, Christopher McDermott, Leonard Hogg, Frank Williams, Nell McIntyre, Arthur Benson, Margaret Slater, Roy Kirk.

Gather our loved ones into your arms. Quiet our doubt and anger and send us your healing grace. Through Christ our Lord.

Bishop Mark Edwards—New Bishop of Diocese of Wagga Wagga

On Tuesday 26 May Bishop Mark Edwards OMI, auxiliary bishop in the Archdiocese of Melbourne was appointed as the sixth Bishop of Wagga Wagga.

Bishop Edwards, who will turn 61 next month, was born in Indonesia and grew up in Adelaide, Darwin and Melbourne's southeast, attending St Leonard's Primary School and Mazenod College. Mazenod was founded by the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, the order he would eventually join.

He was ordained to the priesthood in 1986 and has held leadership positions within the Australian Province of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. He was appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Melbourne on November 7 2014 and ordained bishop the following month.

Bishop Edwards' priestly ministry has largely centred on secondary school and seminary education, including serving as rector of Iona College in Brisbane and as aspirants' master and novice master at St Mary's Seminary in Mulgrave.

In addition to his priestly formation and theological training, Bishop Edwards completed a science degree at Monash University, where he also obtained a doctorate in philosophy.

Let us pray for Bishop Mark as he prepares to lead our Diocese at a very important time in the life of the Catholic Church in Australia.

Unfortunately, rumour has it that Bishop Mark is a Hawthorn supporter!

A Thought for the Week (Pope Francis):

‘The Eucharist is simple food, like bread, yet it is the only food that satisfies, for there is no greater love. There we encounter Jesus really; we share his life and we feel his love.’

CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our congratulations to Mother Angelita of the Missionary Apostles of Christ in Eucharist (M.A.C.E. Sisters) on the **50th anniversary** of her religious profession. May our prayers and support accompany her in her ministry of service.

Prayer for Our Sacred Heart Parish

*God of Love, Source of all hope and good things;
You call us in love, to share in the work and ongoing life of our Sacred Heart Parish.
Bless this parish of ours and lead us to be confident and joyful in serving those around us, so that through us, the world may catch a glimpse of the love you have for each one of us.*

*Make us instruments of your love to everyone that we encounter in our parish community, at home, at work and in our neighbourhood.
Help us to grow in gratitude so that we can recognise and thank you for all the good things you have given us.*

*Each day may we come to know you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly.
Through Christ our Lord.*

Amen.

Parish News



*Congratulations
Bishop Mark!*

We look forward to welcoming you to the Diocese of Wagga Wagga

Bishop Mark Edwards—Sixth Bishop of Diocese of Wagga Wagga

The priests of the diocese had a zoom meeting with the Bishop elect, Fr Mark Edwards last Friday. Before the announcement came through on Tuesday 26 May I was very nervous. However, if first impressions mean anything it seems that he is the kind of person who will lead our diocese forward in a gospel inspired and consultative way. He intends remaining in Melbourne to complete his commitments and say farewell until the end of June. The installation ceremony for Bishop Mark Edwards as the sixth bishop of Wagga Wagga will take place on Wednesday 22 July at 11.00am in St Michael's Cathedral. COVID-19 restrictions will govern the attendance numbers and these details will be finalised closer to the date. Bishop Mark has indicated his willingness and intention to visit the various parishes of the diocese in July before his installation. A video message from Bishop Mark Edwards to the people of our diocese can be downloaded at:

<https://vimeo.com/4246235589/0c59d05bbe>

Plenary Council—Release of Writing Group Papers

Six Discernment and Writing Groups, one each for the national themes for discernment that emerged from the Council's Listening and Dialogue phase, were tasked with writing papers to bring some major themes and issues into focus.

Each paper provides a reflection on some elements of the relevant pastoral reality, articulates in theological vision outlines a number of challenges to be overcome, suggests prioritised questions to be answered and develops some proposals for change. They will be foundational to the next stage of discernment toward the Plenary Council the development of the working paper and ultimately the agenda for the Council assemblies.

The Discernment Papers can be accessed at: plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au scroll down to 'Towards Assembly 1' click on this and then go into THEMATIC PAPERS. Each paper is lengthy—approximately 20 pages each. Excellent COVID-19 restrictions reflective readings—but alas, more dead trees!

Update on Capital Works

The new roof is on the church—hopefully it doesn't blow off like the old one apparently did after construction was complete. The 4 units for the cooling system are in place on the roof and holes have been cut in the ceiling for the vents.

Installation of the heating systems will get under way next week and if the fine weather prevails the concreting around the access areas in the memorial garden will take place.

The amended plan for electrical maintenance and lighting has been approved and is underway.

A reminder that it is not practical for us to resume our physical celebration of Eucharist at Sacred Heart Church until the internal/external capital works project is completed and attendance numbers have been increased.

Thanks to Cameron Adam

Cameron has returned to work at Jacob Toyota this week and since we are YouTubeing our mass on a Friday afternoon will no longer be able to help us with technical production. If you're looking for a new car I'm sure he is more than willing to help you out! He has worked seamlessly with Nick to ensure that our weekly virtual celebration of the Eucharist is of the highest possible calibre. We are grateful for the use of his time and talents.

Football Tipping Competition

As Brian Butts is still in Corona Virus lockdown the Sacred Heart Footy Tipping Comp has been abandoned for 2020. Don Jones who was leading after Round 1 thinks he should scoop the pool—but that's not happening. All money invested will be refunded or we will keep it as a down payment on next year. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Lector & Eucharistic Ministers Roster

The new roster for when we explode back into action is being prepared. New readers and volunteers for Eucharistic Ministers most welcome. Please contact the parish office if you wish to be added to the list or have your starting position changed or deleted.

Sacred Heart Bank Account for Parishioner Depositing Church Account Second Collection

Pays insurance and utility accounts. Covers all maintenance and pastoral/liturgical activities expenses.

Internet Transfer

Account Name: Sacred Heart North Albury Church Account

BSB: 066-789; Account Number: 100005574

Description: Surname & Envelope or Planned Giving Number.

The latest **Together** diocesan newspaper is available on:

Website: www.wagga.catholic.org.au/diocesan-paper-together.aspx

Facebook: www.facebook.com/togetherwagga

Liturgy of the Word



A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 8:2–3, 14–16

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and know your inmost heart – whether you would keep his commandments or not. He humbled you, he made you feel hunger, he fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known' The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm Ps 147:12–15, 19–20

R. Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

Zion, praise your God!

He has strengthened the bars of your gates,

he has blessed the children within you. **R.**

He established peace on your borders,

he feeds you with finest wheat.

He sends out his word to the earth

and swiftly runs his command. **R.**

He makes his word known to Jacob,

to Israel his laws and decrees.

He has not dealt thus with other nations;

he has not taught them his decrees. **R.**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 10:16–17

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia , alleluia!

**I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord:
whoever eats this bread will live forever.**

Alleluia!

A reading from the Gospel according to John 6:51–58

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.' The Gospel of the Lord

