

Catholic Parishes of Yarrawonga & Cobram

Incorporating Sacred Heart (Yarrawonga), St Joseph's (Cobram), Our Lady of Good Counsel (Tungamah), St Mary's (Katamatite) & St Mary's (Burramine)

CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES- GROWING IN FAITH TOGETHER (GIFT)



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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time *** Year B – 30th June 2024

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge and pay respect to the First Nations people, past and present, the original and ongoing owners and custodians of this land. We commit ourselves to actively work alongside indigenous people for reconciliation and justice.

Pope Francis (Angelus Message) Dear Brothers and Sisters, Buongiorno!

In the Gospel today (cf. Mk 5:21-43) Jesus encounters our two most dramatic situations, death and disease. He frees two people from them: a little girl, who dies just as her father has gone to ask Jesus' help; and a woman, who has had blood loss for many years. Jesus lets himself be touched by our suffering and our death, and he works two signs of healing to tell us that neither suffering nor death have the last word. He tells us that death is not the end. He defeats this enemy, from which alone we cannot free ourselves.

Jesus does not look at the whole, like we do, but he looks at the individual. He does not stop at the wounds and mistakes of the past, but goes beyond sins and prejudices. We all have a history, and each of us, in our secret, knows well the ugly matters of our own history. But Jesus looks at them in order to heal them. We, instead, like to look at the ugly matters of others. How often when we speak, do we fall into chattering, which is speaking ill of others, "flaying" others. Not like Jesus, who always looks at how to save us; he looks at today; good will, and not the ugly history that we have. Jesus goes beyond sins. Jesus goes beyond prejudices. Jesus does not stop at appearances, but reaches the heart. And he heals precisely the one who had been rejected by everyone, an impure woman. He tenderly calls her "daughter" (v. 34) — Jesus' style was closeness, compassion and tenderness: "Daughter..." — and he praises her faith, restoring her self-confidence.

Sister, brother, you are here, let Jesus look at and heal your heart. And if you have already felt his tender gaze upon you, imitate him, and do as he does. Look around: you will see that many people who live beside you feel wounded and alone; they need to feel loved: take the step. Jesus asks you for a gaze that does not stop at the outward appearance, but that goes to the heart: a gaze that is not judgmental, — let us stop judging others — Jesus asks us for a gaze that is non-judgmental, but rather welcoming. Let us open our hearts to welcome others... love alone heals life. May Our Lady, Consoler of the suffering, help us bring a caress to those with wounded hearts whom we meet on our journey. God loves everyone!

"Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Congratulations once again to those who have received the Sacraments of Confirmation & First Eucharist last weekend.

Thanks to their families and parishioners who supported them in their sacramental journey.

Thanks to those who joined us in the celebrations.

Thanks to Bishop Shane for being with us.

I acknowledge with sincere gratitude those who have devoted their time and shared their faith experience to our Candidates-**the Sacramental Team** (teachers & some Parishioners) of St Joseph's, Cobram & Sacred Heart, Yarrawonga. **THANK YOU VERY MUCH.** Fr Junjun

PETER'S PENCE (Special Collection)- Next Sunday 7 July, 2024

June 29 is the feast day of Sts Peter and Paul. It is customary around this date for a collection in support of the Holy Father (*also known as Peter's Pence*). This is one of the appeals that are listed as an annual collection on the Diocesan Fundraising Policy and should therefore be conducted in each parish of the diocese around this time. It is an opportunity for us to show in a very practical way our support and appreciation for the Pope's ministry in the Church and for his powerful witness in the world. This collection is used for two primary purposes:

- to support the Pope's service of the universal Church, carried out by the Dicasteries that assist him in evangelization, the promotion of integral human development, education, communication, etc.
- to contribute to numerous the Vatican's charitable works directly assisting the most in need (people and families in distress, populations hit by natural disasters or war, or who are in need of humanitarian assistance or development support).

In Cobram and Yarrawonga, we will have this special second collection next Sunday, 7 July 2024, at all Masses. The collection then will be collected by the Diocesan Finance Office (Chancery) who would then forward this to the Holy See.

OUR PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. For office inquiries outside these times, please call **03 5744 3030**, text **0459356917** or email: yarrawonga@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

Parish Matters

ROSTER FOR THIS WEEKEND 29/30 June 2024

YARRAWONGA

5:00 pm Saturday (Vigil) Mass

Commentator: Barb Osmotherly
Lector/Reader: Dean Carroll
Presentation of Gifts: Volunteers
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Christine Martin
Sacristan: Barb Osmotherly
Overhead/Music: Noel Richmond

9:00 am Sunday Mass

Commentator: George Cousins
Lector/Reader: Julie Brooks
Presentation of Gifts: Volunteers
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Margaret Cousins, John Cummins
Sacristan: Margaret Cousins
Overhead/Music: Di Pendergast
Money Count: Bernie & Michelle Connell

COBRAM

6:30 pm Saturday (Vigil) Mass

Lector/Reader: Francesca Crea
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Pat West
Music & Sacristan: Veronica Perra
Overhead: Joan Moriarty

11:00 am Sunday Mass

Lector/Reader: Vita Janssens
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Kristel Lazzarotto
Music & Sacristan: Veronica Perra
Overhead:
Counting Team: John & Joan Moriarty
Sacristan: Veronica Perra
Statue of Mary: Mrs Rosa Nuewirth
Ministers to the Sick: Josie Violi, Kristel Lazzarotto, Carmel Natale

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 6/7 July 2024

YARRAWONGA

5:00 pm Saturday (Vigil) Mass

Commentator: Frances Connell
Lector/Reader: Mary Hockley
Presentation of Gifts: Volunteers
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Barb Osmotherly
Sacristan: Christine Martin
Overhead/Music: Noel Richmond

9:00 am Sunday Mass

Commentator: Sr. Helen Glasheen
Lector/Reader: Michael Ross
Presentation of Gifts: Angela & John Clarke
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Meegan McInness, Bernadette McKenzie
Sacristan: Di Pendergast
Overhead/Music: Dale Brooks
Money Count: John Gorman

COBRAM

6:30 pm Saturday (Vigil) Mass

Lector/Reader: Pat West
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Francesca Crea

11:00 am Sunday Mass

Lector/Reader: Michelle Griffies
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Lou Janssens
Counting Team: John & Joan Moriarty
Statue of Mary: Peter Brooks
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St Joseph's Cobram Community Events

- SUNDAY LUNCH: 30th June - Central Hotel 12pm
7th July - TBA
- ITALIAN LADIES MEETING-Tuesday, 2 July, 2 pm at Central Hotel Café Bar. **Please note change of day & time.**
- ROSARY- Tuesday 9th July, 2:00 pm (Church)
- FAITH CIRCLES – Thursday 4th July at 1:30pm.
- MOVIE DAY: **Fly Me To The Moon**
Tuesday 16th July at 1:00pm
Cobram Community Cinema, Main St Cobram
\$20.00 per head. Bookings - See poster in the foyer of the Church or call Kay Morgan 0427735273 or Karen Bruce 0428480502
- STAMPS: We are inviting parishioners to save any postage stamps. A box will be placed in the foyer to deposit stamps which will be sent to Sr Ursula (Mercy Sister). Keep saving your old stamps, then we will pass them on to the Mercy Sisters, via the Chancery.
- THANK YOU:
 - **Connie Demaria** for making the White Pall for funerals.
 - **Adrian Berdini** for providing the labour & the Mawsons for the concreting the side step of the Church.

Yarrowonga Aged Care Communion Services

Woods Point: 10:00 am every Tuesday
 Karana: 10:30 am every Tuesday

Sacred Heart, Yarrowonga Parish Ministries

Parish Pastoral Care Group- 4th Tues each month 4 pm
 Pastoral Care Contact for July: Liz Connell, 0412945852
Parish Finance Committee – Wed 28th Aug 2024, 6pm
Parish Pastoral Council- Wed 3rd July 2024, 6:00 pm
Parish Liturgy Team- Thurs 4 July 2024, 5:00 pm

Attn: Sacred Heart Parishioners- Yarrowonga

The future of The Convent and Parish Office:
 Convent walk through for parishioners - immediately following the **Sunday 9 am Mass on 21st & 28th July.**

Future of The Convent and Parish Office:

General Meeting

Date: Wednesday 7th Aug, 2024
 Time: 6pm
 Venue: Sacred Heart College staff room

SUNDAY CUPPA at Sacred Heart, Yarrowonga

There will be a cuppa after 9am mass on (2nd) Sunday 14th July. Please bring a plate to share.

Cobram Uniting Church Ladies Guild

2024 Mission Finger Food Lunch

Sandwiches Hot Savouries Sweet Delicacies
Wednesday, 31st July, 2024, 12:00 noon at Irvin Hall.
Guest Speaker: Fr Junjun Amaya,
"From the Philippines to Australia"
Admission: \$20.00- Supporting the Samaritans Purse Christmas Child Boxes, RSVP 26th July: Margaret Wallace- 0409 411 802
 Margaret Watson 0409 401 189

<p>1st Reading: Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 A Reading from the Book of Wisdom</p> <p>Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be – for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying. Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover. The word of the Lord ® Thanks be to God.</p>	<p>2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7. 9. 13-15</p> <p>A Reading from the Second Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians</p> <p>You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short. The word of the Lord ® Thanks be to God.</p>
<p>Responsorial Psalm Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2 Resp:I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.</p> <p>I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. ®</p> <p>Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment: his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. ®</p> <p>The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing, O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. ®</p>	<p>Gospel Acclamation 2 Timothy 1:10 Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!</p> <p>NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: 14TH Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5 Psalm: Ps 122. R. v.2 Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 Gospel: Mark 6:1-6</p>
<p>Gospel Mark 5:21-24, 35-43 or Mk 5:21-43 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark</p> <p>When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him. While he was still speaking, some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat. The Gospel of the Lord. ® Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.</p>	
<p>Pope Francis' Monthly Intention for JULY 2024- For the Pastoral Care of the Sick: Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, bestows the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.</p>	
<p>Planned Giving (Yarrowonga) For our Giving Program- New envelopes are available in the Narthex for collection. As a lot of parishioners have taken up the opportunity to use direct debit, some parishioners will be allocated a new number as we have not needed to order as many envelopes this year. You're welcome to change to direct debit if you would like. Please contact Amy at the office to discuss. The last giving Sunday for the financial year is this weekend, 30th June. A receipt is available and can be issued if required.</p>	<p>Update of Parishioner details (Yarrowonga) We are conducting an update of the parish records and would appreciate if each family could please fill in the update of details form that you will find located in the narthex. Please take these home, complete and place on the collection plate next week or drop it in the office on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday between 9 am- 2 pm.</p>
<p>PARISH PRAYER: God our Father, bless our Parish of the Sacred Heart (St Joseph), so that we may love you more. Help our parents to give good example to their children, and our youth to grow in strength as good Christians. Encircle our families with your loving care. To the sick grant health, to the aged bring serenity, and to those in sorrow, joy. May each parishioner grow stronger in faith and may our love for one another become deeper in our daily living. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.</p>	

YARRAWONGA: We entrust to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, our relatives and friends who are sick:

Jim Brooks, Noela Corby, Kathryn O'Dwyer, Ken Jones, Ron Foley, Vikki Bye, Peter O'Brien, Helen Lynch, Liz Sandiford, Mon O'Callaghan

And those whose anniversaries of death occur around this time especially:

1st Douglas Hampton, Irene D'Arcy, Ron Crawford

2nd Leslie Curry

3rd Mary McDonald, Michael Hynes, Ray Murphy

4th Lewis Nagle, Grace Gorman Batber, Edward Dowling Snr

5th Ethel Maher, Michael Healey, Jack Gilbert

29th Ellen (Nell) McCarty, Mary Phillips, Loretta Bass, Montana Crawford, Thelma 'Daisy' Cummins

30th Mary Whyte, Jack McFarlane, Kathleen Martin

WEEKEND MASSES

Sacred Heart, Yarrowonga: Sat 5:00 pm & Sun 9:00 am

St Joseph's Cobram: Sat 6:30 pm & Sun 11:00 am

Tungamah 7:45 am 1st Sunday – July 7th

Katamatite 7:45 am 5th Sunday- June 30th

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 3 July 9:30 am (Cobram)

Thursday 4 July 9:30 am (Yarrowonga)

Friday 5 July 9:30 am (Yarrowonga)

11:30 am (Cobram)

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sunday (1:00 pm) – S. Heart, Yarrowonga

2nd & 4th Sunday (12:15 pm)- St Joseph's, Cobram

Baptism Preparation: 6-7 pm (1st Tuesday of the month- Sacred Heart Church, Yarrowonga) **(There will be no preparation session for the month of July)**

Contact: yarrowonga@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

**We welcome the family of
NEVILLE GEOFFREY SMILEY DOUGLAS
and congratulate him
as he is being baptised in Cobram today.
Welcome to the Christian faith.**

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Cobram: Friday (before 11:30 am Mass)

Yarrowonga: Saturday 9:00 am

WEDDINGS: Contact Fr Junjun- 0459 356 917 or
junix28@gmail.com

ANOINTING OF THE SICK/ FUNERAL

Contact Fr Junjun- 0459-356-917

COBRAM: With St Joseph, our Patron, we pray for our relatives and friends who are sick:

Shane Carrick, Olivia Amodio, Carmel Natale, Maddison Watt, Les Harris, Ramon Herezo, Colleen Brooks, Carmel Clancy, Peter Petersen, Fr. Rob Niehus, Bruce Campbell, Frances Hale, Giulia Vitullo, David Cooper, Taylah Brooks, Erin Carlson-Higgins, Tyson King, Malcolm Caldwell, Susanne White, Narelle Brooks

Recently Deceased: Dr. Michael Martin.

And those whose anniversaries of death occur around this time especially:

1st Emile Bazin, Hermann Oelfke, Agnes Hoban

2nd Ron Church, Sr. Mary Smith, Thomas Naughton, William Houlihan

3rd Caterina Santoro

4th Elaine Sliwinski, Rosemarie (Rose) Lisson, Maria Concetta & Francesco Macheda, Tyrone Hulley

5th Daphne Cassidy and Lina D'Agostino

29th Donna Brooks, Laurie (Butch) Meehan, Peter McCormack

30th Leo Nunan

DIOCESAN MATTERS

IGNITE YOUTH CONFERENCE

A Church passionate about discovering a real, present God and gathering a generation to be on fire for Jesus. Every year, Ignite Youth hosts one of Australia's most powerful Catholic youth conferences.

Ignite Conference draws together a network of high schoolers, young adults, ministry leaders, families, teachers, priests and religious from around the country, sending them out with a passion for mission and authentic faith in Jesus. Experience four days of real-world formation, encouragement in faith, great people and powerful worship.

For more info: <https://igniteconference.com.au/register>

FATIMA STATUE PILGRIMAGE

This year, on the 13th October, the Bendigo Apostolate of Fatima is celebrating the 50th Annual Marian Festival at the Sacred Heart Cathedral. This is a gathering to pray for the Intercessions of Our Lady of Fatima for the peace in the world and entrusting ourselves, our families, our nation into her protection. Leading up to the Festival, the Fatima Statue is visiting parishes in the diocese. This statue is from Portugal and bears the relics of the site of the Apparitions in its base.

Schedule of Visit to Yarrowonga and Cobram

Monday 22 July- Monday 29 July- Yarrowonga

Monday 29 July- Monday 3 August Cobram

Rosary is prayed in the Church during these weeks.

JulEYE: JulEYE is an annual campaign (July 1-31) designed to raise awareness and protect our eyes from preventable eye diseases. In Australia, more than 453,000 people are blind or vision-impaired, with the prevalence being three times more for Indigenous Australians than non-Indigenous. Almost one third of Australians do not have regular eye tests, yet 80% say that sight is their most valued sense. About 90% of blindness and vision impairment is preventable or treatable if detected early. So, think about making an appointment this month!

JOKE... A new priest does his first mass. He is very nervous and he stammers his way through. Afterwards, he approaches the Monsignor to ask how he thought it went. "Well," says the monsignor, "Try a little wine before you do your next mass." So the next time the priest delivers a real fire and brimstone sermon, after which he asks the monsignor, "How did I do this time?" The fellow clergyman replies, "You did well, son, but I need to clear up a few of your misconceptions. First off, it was the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit, not 'Big Daddy, Junior, and the Spook!' Next, David slew Goliath; he didn't 'whip the shit out of him!' And last of all we are planning a taffy pulling contest here at St. Peter, not a 'Peter pulling contest at St. Taffy!'