

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R. I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.**

My vows I will pay before those who fear him.  
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.  
They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.  
May their hearts live for ever and ever! **R.**

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord, all families of the nations worship before him; They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **R.**

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him. They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come, declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn: 'These things the Lord has done.' **R.**

**SECOND READING** 1 John 3:18-24

### **A reading from the first letter of Saint John**

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything. My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

The word of the Lord  
ALL: **Thanks be to God**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!** Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit.  
**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL** John 15:1-8

### **A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'

The Gospel of the Lord  
ALL: **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## CATECHISM REFLECTION

**CCC 2746** When "his hour" came, Jesus prayed to the Father.<sup>9</sup> His prayer, the longest transmitted by the Gospel, embraces the whole economy of creation and salvation, as well as his death and Resurrection. The prayer of the Hour of Jesus always remains his own, just as his Passover "once for all" remains ever present in the liturgy of his Church.

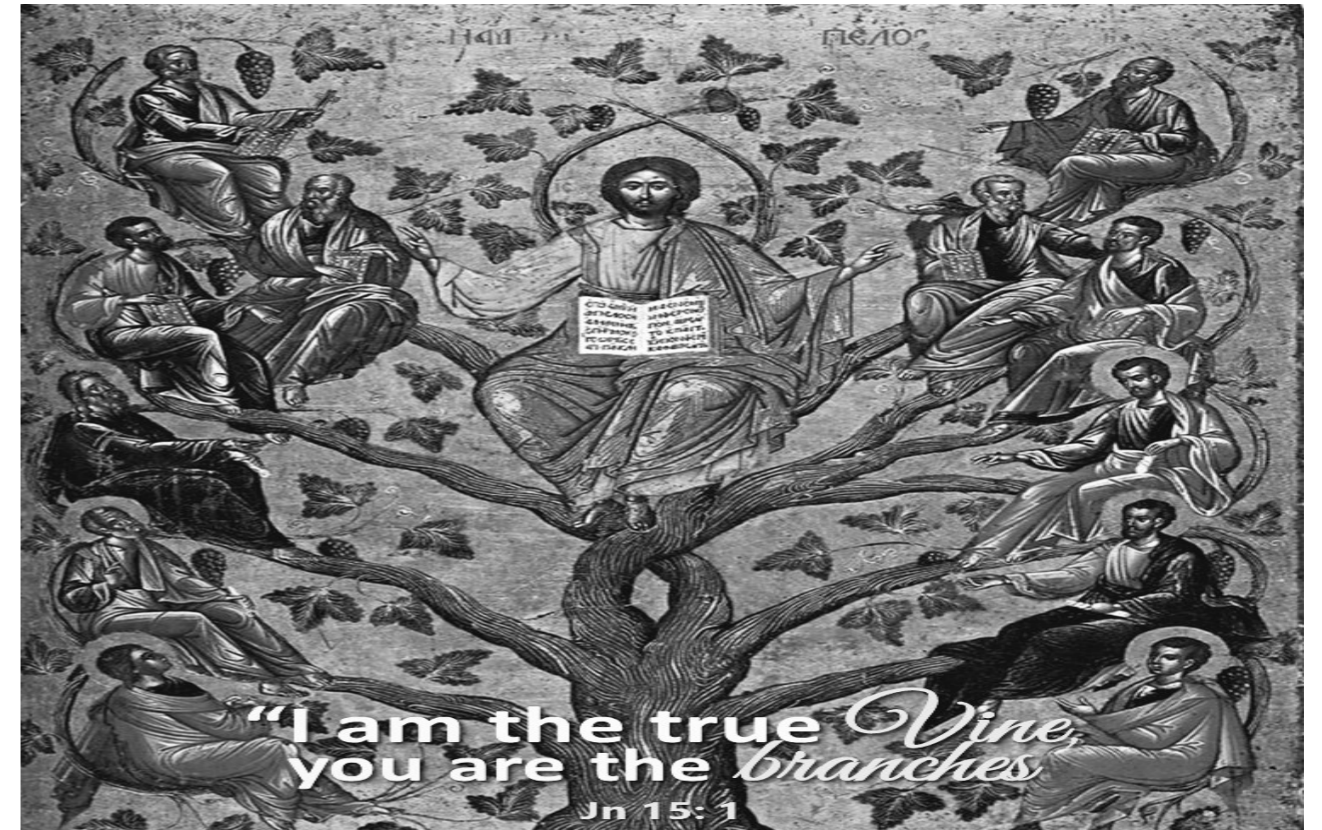


## St Michael's Cathedral

*Bishop of the Diocese of Wagga Wagga*  
*Most Rev Mark Edwards OMI*

Administrator: Fr Sean Byrnes  
Deacon: Rev John Baptist Nguyen  
St Joseph Primary School-Principal: Mrs Kym Willis  
Kildare Catholic College-Principal: Mr Chris Browne

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR B, 28 APRIL 2024



## FIRST READING

Acts 9:26-31

### **A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus. The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord  
ALL: **Thanks be to God**

## St Michael's Cathedral

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday - Friday: 7am & 12:45pm  
Saturday: 12:15pm

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES

Saturday: Vigil 5pm  
Sunday: 8am, 10am & 5.30pm

### ADORATION

Friday: 11:40am—12:40pm  
6:00-7:00pm

### CONFESSION TIMES

Monday - Thursday: 12:00pm - 12:40pm  
Friday: 12:00pm—12:40pm  
6:15pm -7:00pm  
Saturday: 11:00am - 12:00pm  
4:00pm - 4:45pm  
Sunday: 7:30am and 9:30am

### CONTACT INFORMATION

9 Church Street (PO Box 133)  
Wagga Wagga. Phone: 6921 2164  
Email: cathedral@wagga.catholic.org.au

### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN

If you have any complaints or concerns regarding the safety of children or vulnerable adults, please contact <http://safeguarding.wagga.catholic.org.au/>

### PARISH GROUPS

- ⇒ **Chosen Youth** (high school children)
- ⇒ **Community of the Risen Lord** - weekly prayer meetings. Contact Dilhani 0425 607 144
- ⇒ **Monthly Recollection Evenings** for men & women. For more information email: [stjosephscatholicmensgroup@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephscatholicmensgroup@gmail.com) or [riverinawomensactivities@gmail.com](mailto:riverinawomensactivities@gmail.com)
- ⇒ **St Monica's Catholic Mothers' Group**—4th Thursdays, contact Sophie 0421 237 651
- ⇒ **St Vincent De Paul**
- ⇒ **Senior Legion of Mary**—Thursdays 7:30pm Presbytery meeting room. Contact Caronne 0413 801 616
- ⇒ **Junior Legion of Mary**—Wednesdays 3:30pm Mary McKillop College 20 Hely Ave Turvey Park. Contact Caronne 0413 801 616

### Prayer intentions:

- ◆ We pray for an increase in holiness in each and every one of our lives and that our parish may become an evangelising parish.
- ◆ We pray for healing, full recovery and good health for Fr Reece Beltrame.
- ◆ We pray for all the souls of our departed loved ones and for all those who have died, including:

Margo & Kevin **BAKER**, Mary **BARNES**, Martina & John **BLESSING**, Patricia & Una **BLISSET**, Norma **BRIGGS**, Susan **BROWN**, Emma **BUAN**, Don & Brian **BUCHHORN**, Nicole **BURGESS**, Catherine **BURKE**, Teresa **BUTLER**, Margaret **CASEY**, Sid **CLARKE**, Pauline **CLEARY**, Bernadette **CLEGG**, Mary **CLEGG**, William **(Bill) CLEMENTS**, David **CONNELL**, Barbara **COOPER**, Henry Sabal **CORDOVA**, Maria Cristina **CRUZ**, Jack & Marie **CUMMINS**, Doris **DAVIS**, Margo **DOHERTY**, Adelaide, George & Brad **DOMANSKI**, Peter **DOMINGUEZ**, Marie **DOMINGUEZ (Lawlor)**, Fr Ronald **DONOGHUE**, Percy **DONNELLY**, Judy **DOVER**, Robert **DUNCAN**, Helen Alice **EVANS**, Michael **FARRELL**, Mary **FLANNERY**, Andrew **FOO**, Brigit **GEORGE**, William James "Bill" **GEORGE**, Ivan **GEORGE**, Pat & Frank **GERHARD**, Doreen **GESTIER**, Ernesto **GIDARO**, Sr Margaret **GLEESON RSM**, Anna **GO-RAJ**, Lin **GORDON**, Merle **GORDON**, Elizabeth **HOLDER**, Barry **JONES**, Vera **JONES**, Don **KENDELL**, Brian **KENNEYDY**, Delma **KENNEDY**, John **KENNEDY**, Marion **KENNEDY**, Terry **KENNEDY**, Peter **KENNEDY**, Liane **KEN-**

**NING**, Tony **KEOGH**, Henry **KEOUGH**, Eric **KOETZ**, Vince **KING**, Tom **LAWLOR**, John **MACK**, **MAGRO** family, Fr Terrence **MAHEDY**, Brian and Maureen **MARTIN**, Patrick **MASON**, Neita **MASON**, William & Victoria **MASON**, Jack & Alice **MASON**, John **McCOY**, Marie **McCOY**, Robert **McMEEKIN**, Pat **MEAKER** Alessandrina **MERLINO**, Arrigo **MERLINO**, Lino **MERLINO**, Jessie **MICALLEF**, Mary **MORROW**, Anthony **MORTON**, Jane **MULLINS**, Marie **MULLINS**, Jim **PARNELL**, Jeanette **PASSLOW**, Ted **POWER**, Gladys **REARDON**, Ken **RODD**, Margaret **RODD**, Lance & Bell **ROOTES**, Porferia & Nicasio **RUIZO**, Terry **RYAN**, Bill **SALTER**, Mae **SCHILLER**, Ken **SCULLY**, Doug **SHIELDS**, Merle **SIMPSON**, David **SIMPSON**, George & Tess **SKEERS**, Irene **SWAN**, Sylvester **SYKES**, Ceferino **TANUCO**, Ruth **TODD**, Les **TOWNSEND**, Angelo **TRENTINI**, Beth **TUDEHOPE**, Michael & Mark **VINEBURG**, Reynaldo & Anita **VINUYA**, Lawrence **VOUT**, Joan **VOUT**, Bruce **VOUT**, Noel James **WILLERS**, Gregory **WILLIAMS**, Peter **WILLIAMS**, Dorothy **YARRINGTON**, Laszlo **ZURBO** and all the departed. *May they rest in peace. Amen.*

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

For online contributions to the Church:

#### FIRST COLLECTION:

(For the support of priests)

Name of account: Cathedral Presbytery  
BSB: 066 789 A/c 100004171

#### SECOND COLLECTION:

(For the Parish expenses)

Name of account: Cathedral Church  
BSB: 066 789 A/c 100004170

Ref: Your name. Thank you!

Your support is appreciated.

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

New RCIA group beginning on May 8th at 7pm. Will run every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month until Easter 2025. If you know anyone who would like to become Catholic, or simply investigate what it would mean to become Catholic, please invite them to consider this course. There is no monetary cost. Beginning the course does not impose any obligation to become Catholic.



### Eucharistic Adoration

We currently have 3pm to 4pm on Tuesdays vacant and a number of hours with only one person attending on the roster each week. If you are interested to spend an hour with the Lord, please ring John Evans 0410 026



Bishop Richard Umbers will visit Wagga on Sunday, 12 May to promote the 2025 Eucharistic Congress. Lunch at 12PM, Talk at 12:30PM at the Parish Centre and 2pm Holy Hour in the Cathedral. *Everyone is invited to attend.*



### JOIN THE CHOIR!

Anyone who is interested to join the cathedral choir is welcome to come on Wednesdays at 5:30pm at the Parish Centre. Contact Fr Byrnes 6921 2164.

### LITURGY ROSTERS

#### 28 April

5pm Molly Kahulugan  
8am Trish Chigwidden  
10am Annabelle Borja  
5:30pm Alex Coburn

#### 5 May

Anne Lowe  
Matthew Tan  
Matthew/Rose Greenrod  
Teresa McMullen

## PRIESTLY VOCATIONS DAY SATURDAY MAY 11, 2024 VIANNEY COLLEGE, 17 DURACK CIRCUIT BOOROOMA

# IS GOD CALLING YOU?

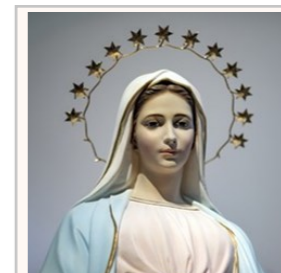
VOCATIONS WAGGA WAGGA

### PROGRAM

8AM MASS	12.30PM LUNCH
9AM COOKED BREAKFAST	1.15PM SPORT
10AM TALK: THINK YOU KNOW THE THEOLOGY OF THE PRIESTHOOD? THINK AGAIN	3PM HOLY HOUR AND CONFESSION
11AM MORNING TEA	4PM MEETINGS WITH FR RAFTER AND FR BYRNES
11.30AM TALK: SERIOUSLY GOD, YOU THINK I COULD BE A PRIEST?	5.30PM Q&A
	6.15PM DINNER AT GUISEPPE'S RESTAURANT

OPEN TO YEAR 11+

TO REGISTER: CALL FR SEAN BYRNES (02)6921 2164  
OR EMAIL BYRNESS2@WAGGA.CATHOLIC.ORG.AU



The pilgrim statue of Mother Mary is available for a home visit to each family who would love to welcome her. Let's continue praying the rosary. Interested parties, contact 0421 807 212.

### OUR CATHEDRAL'S WEBSITE



[WWW.STMICHAELSCATHEDRAL.ORG.AU](http://WWW.STMICHAELSCATHEDRAL.ORG.AU)

- Book baptisms and weddings online,; get a copy of our digital weekly bulletin; Mass schedules available for easy reference; Donate online; Check out updates and other info.

### SRE—SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Considered teaching SRE? Better known as Scripture, is taught to thousands of State School Primary and Secondary Students in the Wagga Wagga Diocese every year. It is taught by a wonderful group of volunteers who each week of the school term generously give up an hour or two of their time to teach the Good News. However, we need more Catechists to teach the 50% of our Catholic children who attend public school. These children are thirsting to hear the good news. If you are able to help, please contact Father Byrnes or the Catechist Coordinator Barbara Chigwidden on 0429 203 047 or email [catechist@wagga.catholic.org.au](mailto:catechist@wagga.catholic.org.au).