

Ministry District of Wendouree, Creswick & Daylesford



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Wednesday & Friday 11.30am - 4pm
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Our parishes are committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults. We acknowledge the Traditional Owners and custodians of the land on which our Parish communities meet: the Wadawurrung and Dja Dja Wurrung people. We pay respect to their Elders past, present and emerging, and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation of first peoples.

Staffing

Parish Priest: Fr Marcello Colasante

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MASS TIMES (This week) Wendouree

Saturday: **6:00 pm** Vigil
Wendouree

Sunday 9.00 am Creswick
10.30am Daylesford

Waubra

1st Sun of the month 8:30 am

Weekday Mass

Wed Daylesford No Mass

Thurs Wendouree 10:00 am

Friday Creswick 10:30 am

Readings for Next Weekend:

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Nehemiah 8: 2-6. 8-10

Psalm 18: 8-10. 15 R. see Jn 6:63

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Gospel: Lk1:1-4. 4:14-21



2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time © ~ 19th January 2025

Focus on the Scripture

Today's gospel ends: 'He let his glory be seen.' Where? In a nondescript Galilean village at a wedding feast about to become a disaster for the couple. The wine is running out. A fiasco is impending. A hero was needed to step in and save the situation. Jesus and Mary are good candidates for hero status.

But, it is the servants who are the unsung heroes. They take a huge risk. They are going to look utterly stupid if they give the steward water to ladle out. Nevertheless, they follow the stranger's directions exactly and end up serving the best of wines, saving the couple from terrible embarrassment.

The Divine Glory is not going to enter people's lives with great pyrotechnics. Rather, when we do as Jesus requires, even if it looks ridiculous to the crowd, His healing and enhancing Presence can enter and save a situation of apparent disaster.

We could pause for a moment to pray for a certain naïve trust in the Lord as we follow his directions, so that Cana may enter someone's life, so that His glory may be seen.

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Responsorial Psalm: Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the Gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Recently Deceased: All those who have passed into eternal life.

Anniversaries: We remember: Mark Bradley, Dianne Artz, Patricia Blasiak

We pray: for all in areas of conflict, war and natural disasters, for the sick and all in need of our prayers.

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Parish office will be closed on Friday 20th December, and will re-open on Wednesday 29th January. Please contact the Cathedral in

case of an emergency 5331 2933. Email OLHC or leave a phone message.

from the perspective

The servants

What must the servants have been thinking? First of all, there was insufficient wine for the feast. They probably knew who was going to wear the blame for that ordering mistake! Then they're told to fill the enormous water jars with water, draw some into a serving vessel and go and present it to the steward of the household - effectively their overseer; their boss! They must have been very nervous about how the steward would respond to what they were taking to him. Yet they, along with Mary and Jesus, were the only witnesses to Jesus' first miracle! Even the steward was unaware of the miracle.

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SACRISTAN	Tony and Pauline Newman
Waubra cleaning	January Anne Dalton & Brian Gallagher

In Loving Memory
Memorial Mass
for Michael Butler son of
Sheila and Gerald (dec).
Next Thursday
23rd January. 10.00 am

I have been asked to share information about a recently released fictional film in Ballarat. **Conclave** - a film based on Robert Harris' novel about a papal conclave to elect the next pope. Set in the secretive Vatican meeting of Catholic cardinals who gather in Rome to choose a new Pope. Background politics and secrets kept by the pope are uncovered before a new Pope is elected.