



ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF WANGARATTA  
PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF WANGARATTA WEST & THE WARBYS

**9th March 2025**  
**The First Sunday in Lent**

Dear Parishioners,

I pray that we all make this Lenten Journey 2025 one in which we open ourselves to the moving of the Holy Spirit. May we discover afresh what it means to be God's people and may we do an "autumn clean" of our minds and hearts in preparation for the celebration of the Queen of Christian Festivals, the Festival of Easter.

*Peace and Joy, Neil Hicks.*



World Day of Prayer  
**AUSTRALIA**

**Our Lady's Catholic Church**

**Friday March 14th**

**10.30am**

**HOPE**25

HOPE IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD

**HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

It would be very helpful if you could  
return this form to the Clergy by **MARCH 16<sup>th</sup>**

**HOPE 25**—check out some resources and videos online. <https://hope25.com.au>.  
You will be hearing more about this, but in the meantime, we can pray this prayer:

**God of Hope, you call on us to be your witnesses in this uncertain world:  
by your Spirit awaken in us a true vision of your kingdom,  
a greater certainty of our salvation, and a deeper dedication to your service;  
that through our words and actions  
the same Spirit may bring many who are lost to be found,  
and for them to celebrate the hope that we can only have in Jesus Christ,  
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

### Dates for your Diary

**14<sup>th</sup> March - World Day Prayer - Our Lady's - 10.30am**

**15<sup>th</sup> March—Car Boot Sale /Cake & Bake Sale / Plant Sale.**

**19th March—Glenrowan ConTACT 'Drop-In'**

***Artisan Markets: 2025: Saturday 3 May & Saturday 29 November***

At the recent meeting of Parish Council the idea of inserting a half-pane of glass in the top section of the (usually) non opening doors on both sides of St Michael's Hall was discussed. This would serve 2 purposes,

1) if anyone is outside and needs to see if people are inside and maybe the door is locked they can attract attention and gain admittance.

2) from a 'Safe Church' perspective it minimises the risk that a person can be in an unsafe situation if outsiders can see in.

If you are interested in defraying the cost \$1700 approx., please see the Wardens.

Please keep in mind our appeal for contributions for the parish cooks!

Any donations of cash or butter, eggs etc will be greatly appreciated.

Please see Sue Wheeler or Virginia Kenworthy if you would like some butter or eggs with which to cook, as we have received some cash donations to assist you with your baking contribution.

A note to those folk who took plants home to care for them, please continue — prune, feed, get them looking their best. Our plant stall has always proved to be quite popular. And of course, anyone else with green thumbs and some plants suitable for sale please bring them along.

**Easter Raffle - Suzie DL** has offered to organise this. We will keep the Easter raffle quite low key, just Easter items only, so if anyone cares to donate a chocolate item it will be gratefully received.

### **LENTEN APPEAL for 2025**

Bishop's Home Mission Fund (BHMF), to support Ministry and Mission within the Diocese of Wangaratta.

Please give generously to assist the work and witness of the church in our Diocese.

We are now collecting for the Mother's Day Raffle; this will be our usual several (we hope) baskets and sold more widely than the Easter raffle, and will be drawn at the Market on 3rd May.

Contributions to the **upgrading of the car park, and the insertion of glass panes in the doors of the hall is ongoing**. Any donation appreciated. An envelope in the plate marked accordingly will suffice.

## WHAT'S ON & DAILY BIBLE READINGS

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March** Leviticus 19. 1-2, 11-18. Psa 19. 7-14. Matt 25. 31-46.  
10.30 a.m.—11.30 a.m., Embracing Hearts exercise group (Purbrick Hall).

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>** Isaiah 55. 10-11. Psalm 34. 11-18. Matthew 6. 7-15.  
8.30 a.m.—1.00 p.m., Yooralla group (Purbrick Hall).  
5.30 p.m. Goju Kai Karate (Purbrick Hall)

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>** Jonah 3. Psalm 51. 6-9. Luke 11. 29-32.  
9.30 a.m., St Michael's Craft Group—St Michael's Hall.  
10.00 a.m., Eucharist @Cathedral—Lady Chapel, and then M/Tea in Purbrick Hall  
11.00 a.m., Lenten Study—Purbrick hall.  
4.00 p.m. Cathedral Choristers rehearsal  
5.00 p.m., Bell ringing practice—Cathedral.  
6.30 p.m., Sing Australia (Purbrick Hall)

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>** Isaiah 55. 6-9. Psalm 138. Matthew 7. 7-12.  
10.00 a.m., Eucharist at St John's Chapel.  
8.30 a.m.—2.30 p.m., Yooralla group (Purbrick Hall).  
7.00 p.m. Cathedral Singers rehearsal

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup>** Ezekiel 18. 21-28. Psalm 130. Matthew 5. 20-26.  
9.30 a.m.—10.30 a.m., Embracing Hearts exercise group (Purbrick Hall).  
10.30 a.m.—World Day of Prayer—Our Lady's Church.

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>** Deuteronomy 26. 16-19. Psalm 119. 1-8. Matthew 5. 43-48.  
**9.00am—12.00 p.m. CAR BOOT SALE—St Michael's Hall & Grounds.**

### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March, The Second Sunday in Lent**

8.00 a.m., Eucharist @ St. George's, Taminick (CC)

9.30 a.m., Eucharist @St Michael's, Wangaratta. (CC)

11.00 a.m., Ante Communion @St. Paul's Glenrowan.

8.00 a.m. Eucharist @Holy Trinity Cathedral—Lady Chapel (NKH)

10.00 a.m. Sung Eucharist @Holy Trinity Cathedral (NKH)

Deuteronomy 26. 1–11. Psalm 91. 1–2, 9–16. Romans 10 4–13. Luke 4. 1–15.



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## Sunday 9th March 2025

- ◆ **The World:** Ireland, United Kingdom of England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales.
- ◆ **Australia:** Schools / TAFE Colleges / Universities.  
All involved in Education Chaplaincies and SRE.
- ◆ **The Church in our nation:** Indian Orthodox Church.
- ◆ **Anglican Church of Australia:** Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn: Bishop Mark Short (*Monica*). Clergy and People.
- ◆ **Our Diocese:** Bishop Clarence (*Michelle*).  
The Parochial District of Central Goulburn: Locum Priest, Andre Du Plooy (*Patricia*). Parish leaders and communities at St Paul's, Avenel; St John's, Nagambie; Christ Church, Seymour.
- ◆ Victorian Council of Churches Emergencies Ministry, Volunteers and chaplains.
- ◆ **Our Parish:** Our parish council members and their work.  
That the Co-operating Ministry between the Wangaratta Parishes may be guided by the Holy Spirit.
- ◆ **Baptism Anniversary:** Sue Hicks (15/03).
- ◆ **Those in Need:** Warren Gould. Mark Heaton. Gwen Benstead. Shirley Cameron. Josef. Wayne. Michael E. Kaye McKenzie, Jenny Molders.
- ◆ **Year's Mind: 9<sup>th</sup>—15<sup>th</sup> March.**  
[12/03] Marjorie Huens Lamb Wood, 1977.  
[13/03] Sr Clare Eime CCK, 2009  
[14/03] Carolyn Mary Oats, 2019.

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord.  
**And may light perpetual shine upon them.**

### **Prayer of the week** (*pray daily*)

O Lord, who for our sake fasted forty days and forty nights:  
give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the spirit,  
we may ever obey your godly will in righteousness and true holiness;  
to your honour and glory,  
who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, world without end. **Amen.**

### **MARCH FOCUS:**



CHRISTIANS CARING

**Shampoo & Conditioner. Milo. Jam varieties.  
Sweet Biscuits. Tinned Beans. Tinned Spaghetti.  
Tinned tuna varieties. Chunky Soup.**

*Dog food, as this cannot be obtained through the food share programme.*