

PARISH AND SHRINE OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B) – SUNDAY 17 JANUARY

**Registrations ESSENTIAL for ALL Masses — via Unanderra Parish Office:
unanderra@dow.org.au or 4271 1068**

Weekly Programme	Immaculate Conception UNANDERRA	St Therese WEST WOLLONGONG
Monday 18 January	Mass: 7am	
Tuesday 19 January	Mass: 5.30pm	Mass: 7.45am
Wednesday 20 January	Mass: 9.30am	Adoration: 4.30pm Reconciliation: 4.30pm-5.15pm Mass: 5.30pm
Thursday 21 January	Adoration: 4:30pm Reconciliation: 4:30pm—5:15pm Mass: 5:30pm	Mass: 7:45am
Friday 22 January	Mass: 7am	Mass: 9:30am
Saturday 23 January	Rosary: 7.15am Mass: 7.30am Reconciliation: 5pm-5.30pm Vigil Mass: 6pm	Mass: 9am Reconciliation: 9.30am-10.30am
Sunday 24 January	Mass: 8am Mass: 10am (<i>Polish</i>)	Mass: 10am Mass: 5pm (<i>also streamed online</i>)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Recently Deceased

Manus McLaughlin, Alex Flis,
Bob Barnett

Anniversaries

William Butler, Gilbert Gollan
Antonia Daminato, Michael Piazza

Please also pray for the sick and those unable to attend Mass

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

unanderra@dow.org.au / 4271 1068

Monday: 11am-3pm (Magda)
Tuesday: Closed
Wednesday: 8:30am-1:30pm (Melissa)
Thursday: 9am-3pm (Magda)
Friday: 8:30am-1:30pm (Melissa)

Message from Fr Duane



I share a very practical message this week. As flagged by the Parish Finance Councils late last year, the Bishop and the Diocesan Catholic Development Fund have encouraged all parishes to insert "Tap and Go" devices in our churches. This is partly due to the trend in society of moving towards using cards rather than cash - a trend which has been greatly accelerated as a result of Covid for health reasons.

The other means of financial supporting the parish will still of course be available. Unanderra and West Wollongong parishes have agreed to install these devices during the coming week, and the Parish Finance Councils will provide more detailed information in next weekend's bulletins. We are, as always, grateful for the generosity of so many parishioners in keeping our parish going, both financially and in countless other ways.

Fr Duane Fernandez — Parish Priest



Sunday 5pm Mass at West Wollongong continues to be live-streamed every week:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/ICASTImmaculateConceptionStThereseParishes>



REGISTRATION PROCESS - BOTH UNANDERRA & WEST WOLLONGONG

Registrations are ESSENTIAL for ALL Masses at both Unanderra and West Wollongong — ALL registrations must be via the Unanderra Parish Office: unanderra@dow.org.au or 4271 1068 (please only call during office hours, shown in pink box on front page of bulletin). Please include the name of all family members who will be attending, contact phone number, email address and the day/time/church of your preferred Mass(es), both weekday and weekend. For weekend Masses, please await a confirmation email from Fr Duane approximately 24 hours prior to the Mass time, before attending the church.

ROSTER — NEXT WEEKEND

	Church Washing	Jackie Allen
Sat 23 Jan	Church Cleaning	Volunteers needed
	Lectors	Lawns — Sat 16 Jan
Sat 23 Jan 6pm Mass	L Milan	No Lawn mowing
Sun 24 Jan 8am Mass	S Walsh	

ALL YOUR PASTORAL NEEDS

For any pastoral needs:

please contact

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FAITH CIRCLES—FREE SMALL GROUP RESOURCE:

During this period of Pandemic isolation, you are encouraged to spend time in prayer and spiritual reading and Faith Circles is one way that you can do this. The weekly Faith Circles resource is available for free to download. It is easy to use and could easily be done in your household or even by skype / phone with others at this time, with its questions and prayer points. It is available to download at www.faithcircles.dow.org.au or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.

CATHOLIC CARE - HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT BECOMING A FOSTER CARER?

We need foster carers who provide love, care and support to help these children thrive and reach their full potential. Carers receive comprehensive support from the Fostering Futures team to ensure they have a full range of resources and networks to nurture their forever home. Our team have over 30 years' experience helping carers give vulnerable children a loving home and a brighter future.

You can find out more by calling **0418 783 956**, email fosteringfutures@catholiccare.dow.org.au or go to <http://www.catholiccare.dow.org.au> for more information.

A VOCATION VIEW



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

We don't always recognize the voice of God. Spend time in silence regularly to listen to God's voice. God calls, what do you hear? (1 Samuel 3:3-10)

If you want to talk about your discernment, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Duane Fernandez at vocations@dow.org.au

CATHEDRAL BOOKS & GIFTS WOLLONGONG

Please be advised the Cathedral Books and Gifts Wollongong will be re-opening end of March 2021 due to renovations.

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAMME – AIRS SUNDAY 17 JANUARY 2021 –

The Journey – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast – jcr.org.au

Sign up to get your weekly podcast sent to you as an email so you can listen at a time that suits you. This week we have

Fr Mark De Battista breaking open the Gospel, Mother Hilda shares about God's care for us and Francine Pirola talks about her heavenly Father-in-law.



CHURCH ROSTERS

Thank you to all those generous people who have volunteered their time to assist in the various Church Ministries. Your help is appreciated. We are still in urgent need of more church cleaners and lawn mowers to lighten the load for those who have already volunteered. If you are able to give a little of your time, it would be appreciated.



Please email Melissa or Magda at unanderra@dow.org.au

WE'RE ALWAYS HERE, IF YOU EVER NEED...

These are challenging times for everyone and CatholicCare are here to support you and your family to navigate the uncertainty. We offer confidential online and phone counselling to support you with the frustration of managing family emotions, relationship pressures and employment changes. To find out more about CatholicCare's counselling service call us on 42549395 or email intakeservice@catholiccare.dow.org.au



ADORATION

CYMW is holding Holy Hour every Wednesday evenings from 6:30PM to 7:30PM for an hour of Adoration at St Francis Xavier Cathedral. There will be time for silence and reflection before the Lord and is a great time to quiet our hearts to listen to Him more closely. We hope to see you there!



SUNDAY 17 JANUARY 2021 — SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

First Reading — 1 Samuel 3:3-10,19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord, where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

Responsorial Psalm — Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. R.
2. You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. R.
3. In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. R.
4. Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. R.

Second Reading — 1 Corinthians 6:13-15,17-20

The body is not meant for fornication: it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; do you think I can take parts of Christ's body and join them to the body of a prostitute? Never! But anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. Alleluia!

Gospel — John 1:35-42

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held on the 2nd Sunday of every month at West Wollongong (12noon) and the 4th Sunday of every month at Unanderra (12noon). Please email westwollongong@dow.org.au or unanderra@dow.org.au to ask for a Baptism Enquiry Form to be sent to you.