## St. Michael's Parish Wycheproof & Nullawil

Parish Priests:

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Saturday & Sunday 5 & 6 December 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

Friday 11 December: Sacrament of Anointing Mass 10 am, Wycheproof Hospital. All Welcome.

Pray for those: Who are sick:

Who have recently died:

Win O'Donovan, Fr Justin Woodford and those whose Anniversaries are at this time: James M White, Len Dillon, Alice Hogan, Kevin Keane, Pat Hoctor, Mary Thompson

Wycheproof – Sunday 6 December LWC 9.30am

Leaders: Jill & Denise Word:

Eucharist: Clare

Wycheproof - Sun 13 Dec Mass 10.30am

Word: Jacinta Eucharist:

**Gifts:** Pierce Family

Finance: no report

St Michael's Guild: cards and gifts available. St Michael's Guild Annual Christmas Lunch: this Tuesday, 8 December, at the Terminus Hotel. \$22 per person. To book, see list at the back of the church.

## MASSES AT CHRISTMAS

**24 December, Christmas Eve:** *Nullawil* 5.00pm, *Birchip & Charlton* 7.00pm, *Donald* 9.00pm.

25 December, Christmas Day: Wycheproof 8.30am

2016 Columban Calendars: Now available, \$7 each.

Christmas Cards available \$5 per pack

Carol Service: The Uniting Church Wycheproof extends a warm invitation to the annual Carol Service on Sunday 20 December at 10.30. Followed by a BBQ lunch at Centenary Park and the WCRC Decorated Christmas Tree exhibition.

**Australian Catholics:** this issue is about "Celebrating Christmas" and "Food Glorious Food."

**Year of Mercy:** 8 Dec 2015 – 20 Nov 2016. We are invited by Bishop Paul to make a mini-pilgrimage to Ballarat's St Pat's Cathedral during the Year of Mercy, enter via the 'Holy Door' on Sturt Street.

Free electric scooter maintenance & advice provided by *Country Care* at WCRC Monday 7 December 10.30am. All scooter users are urged to attend.

Vale Fr Justin Woodford: A former St John of God brother, Fr Justin was ordained a priest of our diocese at Ballarat in 1981. He served in Hamilton, Camperdown, Ballarat, Ararat and Bungaree parishes till retiring due to ill health. Fr Justin died on 28 November and his Funeral Mass on Friday at East Brunswick was followed by a private family burial. May he Rest in Peace.

**St Michael's Chapel:** Plans to convert St Michael's Church crying room into a chapel for Winter Masses are on hold pending a financial review of each parish in our diocese as part of the 2016 stage of "Looking Forward" helping us prepare for the future.

Clergy Appointment Update: 20 January is the date Fr Eugene McKinnon & Fr Peter Jose will officially commence their appointment to our parish and Fr John Monaghan will begin at Maryborough.

**Drought Busters' Picnic**—a free night for the whole family. From 5pm Sunday 13 December at Centenary Park. Hear country singer Bidge Boyd and local musicians. Free barbecue provided by the Lions Club of Wycheproof. BYO refreshments and chair or picnic blanket.

Mass times November/ December 2015
Wycheproof: Nullawil:

6 Dec: LWC 9.30am 5 Dec (Sat): Mass 7pm 13 Dec: Mass 10.30am 13 Dec: LWC 9.30am 20 Dec: Mass 8.30am 20 Dec: Mass 5pm

26 Dec (Sat): Mass 7 pm 25 Dec (Fri) see Christmas Mass times

**Daily Mass:** via your computer from Our Lady of the Rosary Cathedral, Waitara, 9.30am each day. Adoration and Benediction on Saturdays following 9.30am Mass. See the link on www.cathnews.com or www.dbb.org.au/parishes/dsp-

**Pause for a moment...** may He support us all the day long, till the shades lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in His mercy may He give us a safe lodging, a holy rest and peace at the last. Amen. Blessed John Henry Newman