

# The West Wagga Wag

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## Coming Events

Adoration of the Blessed  
Sacrament, Holy Trinity  
- 6 to 7am daily;  
- overnight from 9pm Friday  
through to 7am Saturdays

Monthly Cuppa, after 9am Mass  
on last Sunday of the month.

St Maria Goretti	Mon 6
St Benedict	Sat 11
St Bonaventure	Wed 15
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	Thu 16
St Mary Magdalen	Wed 22
St Bridget of Sweden	Thu 23
St Charbel Makhoul	Fri 24
St James, Apostle	Sat 25
St Martha	Wed 29
St Peter Chrysologus	Thu 30
St Ignatius Loyola	Fri 31
St Alphonsus Liguori	Sat 1 Aug

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The date for submissions for the next  
Wag is: **Wednesday July 29th.**

## Bishop Mark Visits Parish

Welcome to our new  
Bishop, Mark  
Edwards OMI, who  
visited Holy Trinity  
on Sunday 12th July  
for two Masses.



**Congratulations to  
Christopher** who  
received his First  
Holy Communion  
from Bishop Mark!

**Bishop Mark made  
the Act of Faith** in  
our Masses so as to  
share part of his  
installation ceremony  
with those who, due  
to Covid restrictions,  
cannot attend on  
July 22.



## PASTOR'S PAGE - OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY OF SAN NICHOLAS



Four years ago I wrote that the world was facing huge challenges: Islamic Jihad; laws to force people to give up the belief that God made us male and female; laws to stop us defending the unborn.

And now new serious challenges have been added: virus scares and self confessed Marxists encouraging the destruction of Western Christian culture and attacks on churches and statues of Mary.

We continue to need help!

So I would like to share again the messages of Our Lady of the Rosary of San Nicholas, confirmed by the local Bishop as worthy of belief. In San Nicolas, near Buenos Aires, rosary beads in homes throughout San Nicolas de los Arroyos suddenly began glowing without any rational explanation. They were not glow-in-the-dark rosaries, just your standard kind.

Gladys Quiroga de Motta, a wife and mother, saw these glowing rosaries and began to pray to the Virgin Mary. The Virgin appeared to her first on Sept. 25, 1983 carrying the infant Jesus and wearing a blue gown and veil. Her figure glowed with light.

With only a fourth-grade education, Gladys had no great knowledge of the Bible or theology.

At various times, the Virgin Mary apparition referred the woman to several Bible verses. One month after the first appearance, the apparition gave Gladys a white rosary and said,

*"Receive this Rosary from my hands and keep it forever and ever. You are obedient; I am happy because of it. Rejoice, for God is with you."*

The Virgin Mary asked Gladys to go look for a statue that had been blessed by a Pope and was forgotten. Following the Virgin's instructions, it was found on Nov. 27, 1983 in the bell tower of the church. The statue resembled the apparition. It had been brought from Rome about 100 years earlier after it was blessed by Pope Leo XIII.

Gladys also received visits and messages from Jesus.

There have been several documented healings related to the apparitions, including the healing of a boy with a brain tumour.

What were the messages of Our Lady? At one point, Mary said,

*"Many hearts do not accept my invitation to prayer and to conversion. That is why the work of the devil is growing and expanding."*

The warnings said that mankind is *"in the process of falling in to a progressive self-destruction"* and the Virgin Mary represents hope. Mary said in the apparition:

*"It is up to you to set your eyes and your heart on God ... I want to cure my children from this*

*illness which is materialism; an illness which makes many suffer. I want to help them discover Christ, and I want to make it known to them that Christ prevails over everything,"*

She stressed the importance of prayer, especially the rosary.

The apparition of Jesus told Gladys,

*"If this generation will not listen to my mother, it will perish. I ask everyone to listen to her. Man's conversion is necessary."*

Jesus said in a 1987 apparition:

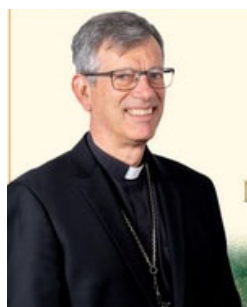
*"Today I warn the world, for the world is not aware: souls are in danger. Many are lost," "Few will find salvation unless they accept me as their Saviour. My mother must be accepted. My mother must be heard in the totality of her messages. The world must discover the richness she brings to Christians."*

*"The children of sin will grow up in sin if their unbelief increases. I want a renewal of the spirit, a detachment from death, and an attachment to life. I have chosen the heart of my mother, so that what I ask will be achieved. Souls will come to me through the means of her Immaculate Heart."*

These are a timely reminder for all of us to live not for this world only, to live our Faith no matter how crazy our world becomes around us.

In fact, the world needs our faith which, as well as helping us to heaven, will also help this world to be protected from evil and to be a place of happiness and peace.

**Fr Thomas Casanova**  
*CCS*



### Liturgical Reception for the Most Reverend Mark Edwards Livestream

Starts Jul 22nd at 10:45 AM AEST

[www.thestreamingguys.com.au/production/liturgical-reception/](http://www.thestreamingguys.com.au/production/liturgical-reception/)

# July Jokes

A young woman went to her doctor complaining of pain.

"Where are you hurting?" asked the doctor.

"You have to help me, I hurt all over", said the woman.

"What do you mean, all over?" asked the doctor, "be a little more specific."

The woman touched her right knee with her index finger and yelled, "Ow, that hurts." Then she touched her left cheek and again yelled, "Ouch! That hurts, too." Then she touched her right earlobe, "Ow, even THAT hurts", she cried. The doctor checked her thoughtfully for a moment and told her his diagnosis, "You have a broken finger."

Doctor doctor, I feel like a carrot  
• Don't get yourself in a stew

Doctor doctor, Help me now! I'm getting shorter and shorter!  
• just wait there and be a little patient

Doctor doctor, I feel like a pair of wigwams  
• the problem is, you've become too tense

A doctor said to his car mechanic, "Your debit is several times more per hour than we get paid for medical care."  
"Yeah, but you see, doc, you have always the same model, it hasn't changed since Adam; but we have to keep up to date with new models coming every year."

Doctor, there's a patient on line 1 that says he's invisible."  
"Well, tell him I can't see him right now."

Doctor doctor, I couldn't drink my medicine after my bath like you told me  
• why not?  
well after I've drunk my bath I haven't got room for the medicine

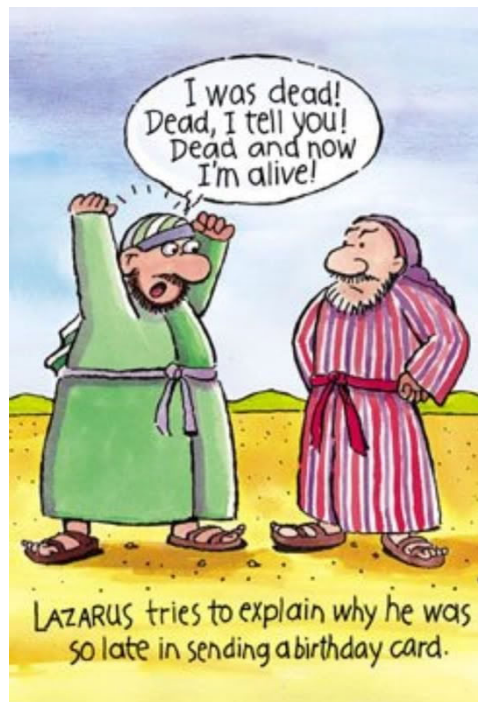
Doctor doctor, I feel like a pair of curtains  
• pull yourselves together man!

A man goes to the eye doctor. The receptionist asks him why he is there. The man complains, "I keep seeing spots in front of my eyes." The receptionist asks, "Have you ever seen a doctor?" and the man replies, "No, just spots."

Doctor, doctor I think I need glasses  
• You certainly do missy, this is the fish and chip shop!

Doctor, Doctor I think I'm a bell!  
Hmm, take these and if it's not better soon, give me a ring!

Doctor doctor, I'm suffering from insomnia  
• try sleeping at the edge of the mattress, you'll soon drop off.



A man needing a heart transplant is told by his doctor that the only heart available is that of a sheep. The man finally agrees and the doctor transplants the sheep heart into the man. A few days after the operation, the man comes in for a check-up. The doctor asks him "How are you feeling?" The man replies "Not BAAAAD!"

Doctor doctor, they've dropped me from the cricket team - they call me butterfingers  
• don't worry, what you have is not catching

A veterinarian was feeling ill and went to see her doctor. The doctor asked her all the usual questions, about symptoms, how long had they been occurring, etc., when she interrupted him: "Hey look, I'm a vet -- I don't need to ask my patients these kind of questions: I can tell what's wrong just by looking. Why can't you?"

The doctor nodded, looked her up and down, wrote out a prescription, and handed it to her and said, "There you are. Of course, if that doesn't work, we'll have to have you put down."

Doctor, doctor my nose runs and my feet smell  
• I fear you might have been built upside down

Doctor, doctor I've broken my arm in two places  
• hmm, I'd advise you not to go back to either of those places then

A little boy called Josh was taken to the dentist. Examination revealed that Josh had a cavity, which needed filling.  
'Now, young man,' asked the dentist, 'what kind of filling would you like for that tooth, amalgam or composite, ?'  
'I would prefer chocolate, please,' replied Josh.

Doctor: "Sir, I'm afraid your DNA is backwards." Patient: "And?"

My doctor told me that jogging could add years to my life. He was right—I feel ten years older already.

Doctor, Doctor will this ointment clear up my spots?  
• I never make rash promises...

Doctor, Doctor - I keep singing "Green green grass of home" - I think I have Tom Jones syndrome  
• It's not unusual...

Doctor doctor I can't help thinking I'm a goat • How long have you felt like this? Since I was a kid..

Doctor, Doctor - I keep thinking I'm a caterpillar...  
• Don't worry, you'll soon change...



# Sanctuary Alterations

After the discovery of damage to the wood under the sanctuary, Holy Trinity Church now has termite proof concrete. And while those improvements are underway, we have some other alterations in progress.

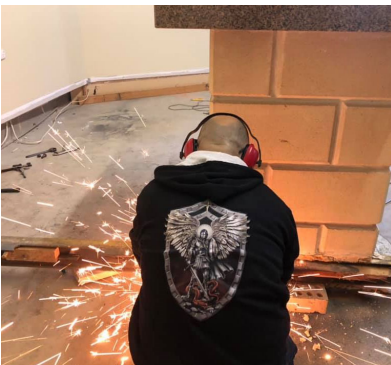
**1. Termites have been busy!**



**2. Boards removed.**



**3. Metal frame cut away.**



**4. First level of concrete laid.**



**5. New Tabernacle.**



**6. Second level of concrete.**



**7. Tiles.**



**8. New doors.**





# 5-Year-Old Proves Beyond a Doubt ALL Catholic Women Are Princesses In Precious Story!



ChurchPOP Editor, Aug 23, 2018

This is so precious!

Fr. Goyo Hildalgo, an associate pastor at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, tweeted a story about a mother and her 5-year-old daughter who approached him after Mass.

The text says, "After Mass, a mom

came to the sacristy with her five-year-old daughter. / Mom: 'Ask Father.' / 5 year-old: 'is it true Mary is the Queen of the world?' / Me: 'Yes' / 5: 'And (looking at her mom with a smile) she is my mom too?' / Me: 'OH YES' / 5: \*jumping\* "then it is true. I am a princess." /

The tweet has received an overwhelming response—rightfully so!

YouTube star Lizzie Reezay said it was "THE BEST TWEET I've ever seen ♥♥♥♥".

Another user responded, "Well I keep telling my husband I'm a princess, so now I have proof."

This user also tweeted, "We are all royalty because of her status as Queen and ours as her children. Actually, when we were baptized and the priest was rubbing holy oil on us he said, 'I anoint you as Priest, Prophet and King.' I just then got an UPGRADE!"

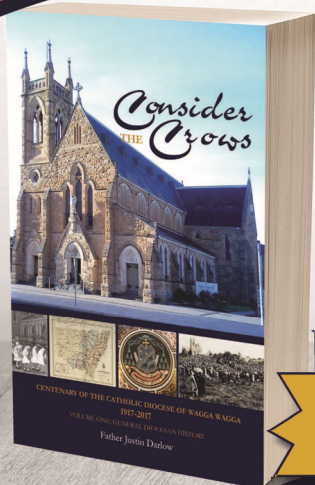
Since we are all daughters and sons of the Mary, the Queen of Heaven, every person is a prince or princess! If everyone thought of themselves in this way, or if we each treated one another as royalty, what a different world it would be!

As St. Francis de Sales said, "Let us run to her, and, as her little children, cast ourselves into her arms with a perfect confidence."



## Consider the Crows

by Father Justin Darlow



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## How to make a Spiritual Communion when you can't get to Mass



*Saints down through the ages have recommended this simple practice.*

March 16, 2020 (LifeSiteNews) – If you are unable to attend Mass because of ... the coronavirus or are otherwise homebound, consider making an act of Spiritual Communion.

Saints down through the ages have recommended this simple practice.

"If we are deprived of Sacramental Communion, let us replace it, as far as we can, by spiritual communion, which we can make every moment; for we ought to have always a burning desire to receive the good God," said St. Jean-Marie Vianney.

"Communion is to the soul like blowing a fire that is beginning to

go out, but that has still plenty of hot embers; we blow, and the fire burns again," he continued. "After the reception of the Sacraments, when we feel ourselves slacken in the love of God, let us have recourse at once to spiritual communion. When we cannot go to the church, let us turn towards the tabernacle; no wall cannot separate us from the good God."

St. Thomas Aquinas described Spiritual Communion as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him."

"What a source of grace there is in spiritual Communion!" declared St. Josemaría Escrivá. "Practise it frequently and you'll have more presence of God and closer union with him in your life."

"When you do not receive communion and you do not attend Mass, you can make a spiritual communion, which is a most beneficial practice," wrote St. Teresa of Jesus, "by it the love of God will be greatly impressed on you."

### Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer:

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

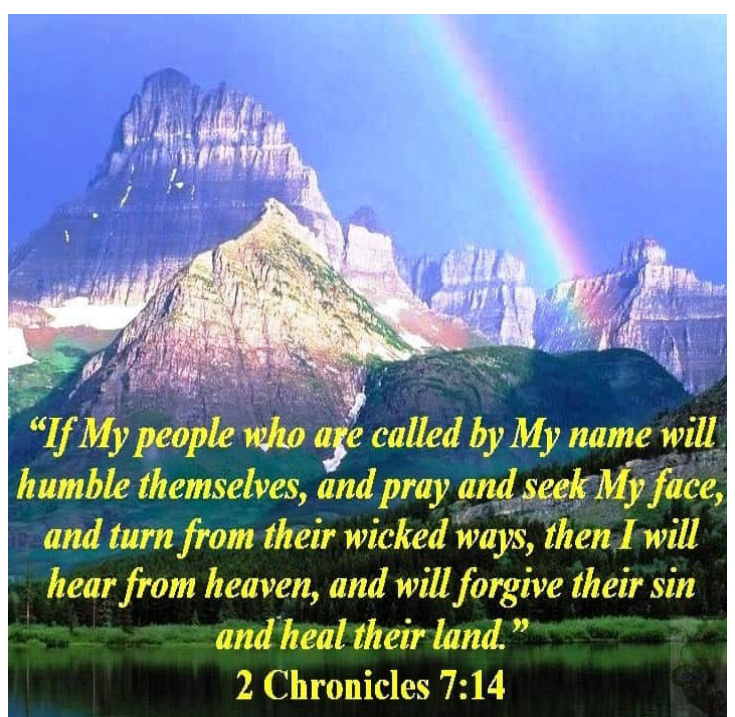
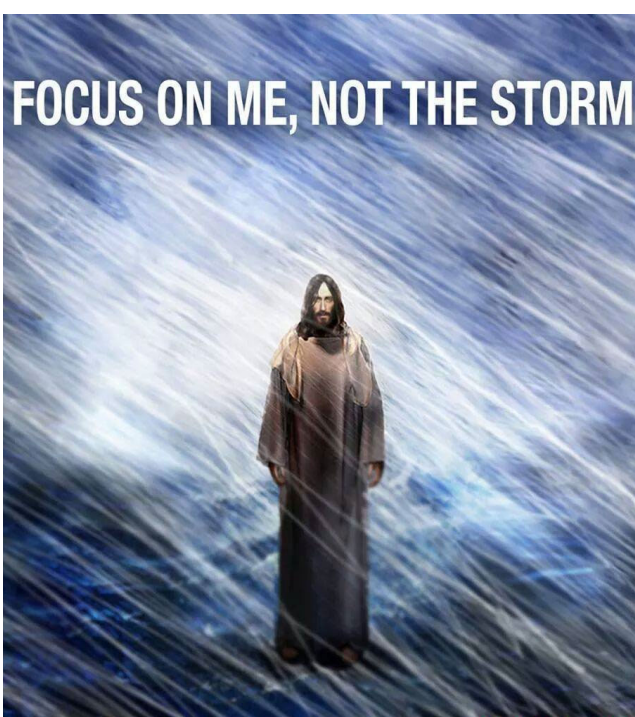
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



*"If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land."*

**2 Chronicles 7:14**

## Priest: post 'Divine Mercy' image on front door for protection during coronavirus outbreak

STOCKBRIDGE, MA, March 30, 2020 (LifeSiteNews) — A priest is urging Christians to post an image of the Divine Mercy on the front doors of their homes to protect them and their families during the coronavirus pandemic.

In his March 26 "Seal the Doors" video, Fr. Chris Alar of the Marian Priests of the Immaculate Conception asks listeners to place a copy of the Divine Mercy image of Jesus on their front doors, facing outwards. He calls this response to the coronavirus "a simple but an incredibly powerful act of faith."

The name of the initiative "**Seal the Doors**" comes from an invitation in the Magnificat missal: "Let us seal the doorposts of our inner thoughts with the protective Word of God." This is a reference to Exodus 12:7, in which the Israelites are instructed to put blood from the lamb or goat of their Passover meal on their doorposts so that the Angel of Death will pass them by.

Speaking from the National Shrine of The Divine Mercy, Alar, 50, explains why the Divine Mercy image is so important.

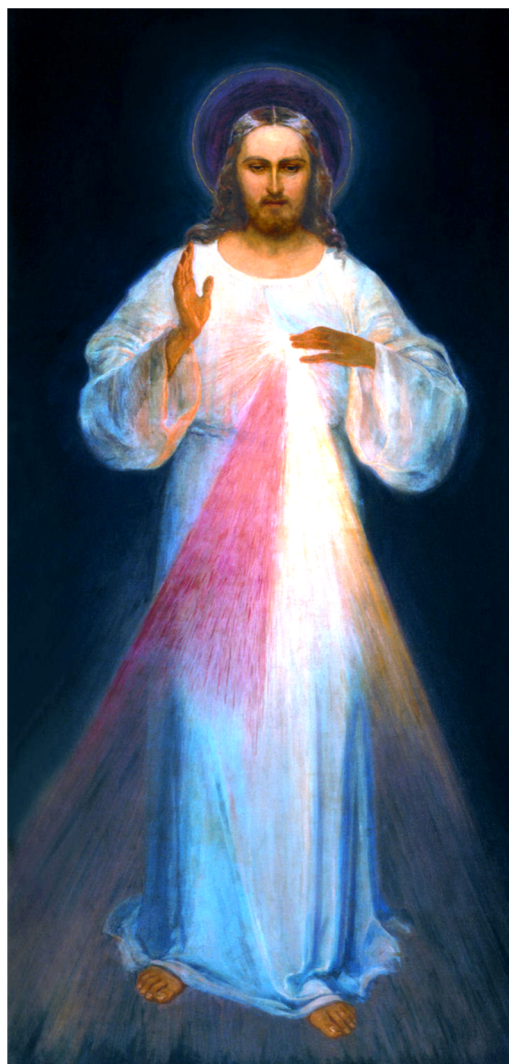
"The image represents the Lord, the Lamb of God sacrificed for us, from whose heart streams blood and water, the sign of God's mercy upon the whole world," he says.

"The Lord promises us through St. Faustina, that the soul that will venerate and honor this image will never perish. He also promises victory over our enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death, and to defend us as His own glory," he continues.

"The Lord said, 'By means of this image, I shall be granting many graces to souls, so let every soul have access to it'."

Sister Faustina Kowalska, who was born in Głogowiec, Poland, lived from 1905 to 1938. In 1931, she experienced her first vision of the

Divine Mercy: Our Lord Jesus with white and red rays shooting from his heart. She wrote in her diary that he instructed her to record him like this, saying "Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the words 'Jesus, I trust in You'. I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and then throughout the world. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish."



Her visions persisted, and she spent the rest of her life promoting devotion to the Divine Mercy.

Her confessor, Blessed Fr. Michael Sopocko, wrote that the Lord later told the mystic that "when chastisements for sins come upon the whole world, and your own country will experience utter

degradation, the only refuge will be trust in My Mercy."

The Polish mystic reported that the Lord had said that He will protect the cities and homes in which the Divine Mercy image is found, and that He will protect the people who give it honor.

"Let everyone procure for their homes this image because there will yet come trials, and those homes and entire families and everyone individually who will hold this image of Mercy in deep reverence, I will preserve from every sort of misfortune," St. Faustina recalled Him saying.

Fr. Alar tells laity in his video how they may licitly bless the image themselves, if they are unable to get a priest to do so. He notes, however, that honoring the Divine Mercy in this way may not be sufficient protection against the Covid-19 coronavirus.

"While this act of faith may not guarantee your family won't be physically affected by the virus, it will guarantee that, by your trust in Jesus, you will obtain His promises of love and mercy, which will surround you and remain in you forever," he says.

Alar was ordained a priest in May 2014. Before he answered his call ("I'm a late vocation"), he had a house, a business and a fiancée.

Today Alar rejects any suggestion that venerating the Divine Mercy image is a particularly Polish devotion with less relevance to Americans and others in the world.

"Jesus, through the words he gave to Sister Faustina, emphasized that His Mercy is for the whole world," he told LifeSiteNews.

Alar explained that Our Lord told St. Faustina that "a spark will come from Poland to prepare the world for My final coming."

"Sister Faustina, Saint John Paul II, and the whole message of the Divine Mercy are the spark."



# The West Wagga Wag

West Wagga Parish



Serving: Ashmont,  
Collingullie,  
Glenfield, Lloyd,  
and San Isidore



Find the words below  
hidden in the 225 letters  
to the right.

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ABRAHAM	KNIFE
SERVANTS	WOOD
OFFERING	LAMB
WORSHIP	HAND
THICKET	LOVE
DONKEY	FEAR
BURNT	FIRE
HORNS	RAM
ISAAC	SON

## Abraham Is Tested

Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." Genesis 22:8a (NIV)



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