



The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!

Welcome to the Catholic Parishes of Mudgee, Gulgong,
Kandos/Rylstone.
Diocese of Bathurst



We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We walk on Wiradjuri country. May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.



PALM SUNDAY - Year B Sunday, 25th March 2018

Parish Priest

Fr Owen Gibbons

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Mr Nam Le

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Parish Office Hours

Monday

10.00am - 4.00pm

Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri

9.00am - 4.00pm

Staff Lunch Break

1.00pm - 2.00pm



First Reading: Isaiah 50: 4-7

*I did not cover my face against insult and
I know I will not be ashamed.*

Responsorial Psalm - Ps 21

**R: My God, My God why have you
abandoned me?**

All who see me deride me. They
curl their lips, they toss their
heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let
him save him: let him release him
if this is his friend.'**Res.**

Many dogs have surrounded me, a
band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and
my feet, I can count every one of
my bones. **Res.**

They divide my clothing among
them. They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone, my
strength, make haste to help me!

Res.

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I will tell of your name to my
brethren and praise you where they
are assembled. 'You who fear the
Lord give him praise; all sons of
Jacob, give him glory. Revere him,
Israel's sons.' **Res.**

Second Reading: Philippians 2: 6-11

*He humbled himself to become like us
and God raised him on high.*

Gospel Acclamation

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!**

Christ became obedient for us
even to death, dying on the cross.
Therefore God raised him on high
and gave him a name above all
other names.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
king of endless glory!**

Gospel Reading: Mark

Memorial Acclamation

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and
profess your Resurrection until you
come again.

Project Compassion

Please return your Project
Compassion boxes/envelopes next
week so the proceeds can be given to
Caritas Australia.

**Easter Liturgies - We have several
places vacant on our white board
for the Easter Liturgies. Please
consider one of these ministries
for these important celebrations.**



Commitment and Enrolment for First Holy Communion response:

All: I promise to support these
children in preparing to receive the
Lord for the first time in the
Sacrament of the Eucharist and we
will keep you in our prayers.



DAY BY DAY

Monday, 26th March

NO SERVICE

10.30am Funeral MV Rooms for James Ryan

12 noon Mass Anointing of the Sick and Elderly - Gulgong

7.00pm Second Rite of Reconciliation - Mudgee

Tuesday, 27th March

9:00am Mass - Mudgee - SMCS

Wednesday, 28th March

10.00am St Mary's Craft and Friendship Group

10.30am Reconciliation - Kandos

11.00am Mass - Anointing of the Sick and Elderly followed by lunch - Kandos

4.00pm Holy Hour

5.00pm Mass - Mudgee

5.30pm Parish Pastoral Council AGM

Holy Thursday, 29th March

6.00pm Mass of the Last Supper & exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6.00pm Mass of the Last Supper - Rylstone

Good Friday, 30th March

11.00am Stations of the Cross - Mudgee

11.30am - 12 noon Reconciliation Mudgee

3.00pm Liturgy of the Passion - Mudgee

3.00pm Liturgy of the Passion - Gulgong

Holy Saturday, 31st March

6:00pm: Easter Vigil Mass Mudgee

6.00pm Easter Vigil Mass - Gulgong

Easter Sunday, 1st April

7.30am Mass - Mudgee

9.00am Mass - Mudgee

9.30am Mass - Kandos

10.30am Mass - Mudgee

EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES are available at the back of the Church.

EASTER MASSES please hand in no later than Wednesday morning.

Saturday 31st March & Sunday 1st April 2018

Commentator		
Readers	EASTER	LITURGIES
Special Ministers of Communion		
Offertory Procession		
Organist		R.Newman
Welcomers		
Altar Servers		
Counters	G&S Robinson 26/3	

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	31st March 2018	Kandos Liturgy Roster	1st April 2018
Commentator	E. Holmes	Leader	
Reader	K. Ritar	Readers	K. Morrissey T. Ryan
Offertory	Z.Drew L.Hope	Intercessions	H. Roberts
Special Minister of Communion	J.Thatcher R.Saliba	Special Minister of Communion	M. Turner L.McPherson
Sacristan	E.Donnelly G.Ausburn	Sacristan	H. Roberts



Masses and prayers requested for the following:

We pray for the recently deceased especially

David Kiddle, James Ryan, Patricia Cross (UK),

We remember the anniversaries of David Lawson, Barry Chapman.

We also pray for Varga & Blazevic Families, Nancy Caughey, Ray Power and Aniela Peterek (Poland), Mervyn Costello,

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Liam Potts, Darren Tuxford, Rosemary Mitchell (QLD), Ursula Smiezek, Jasmine Prada, Jan Kirkman, Gwen Ausburn, Tony Gillham, Melinda Drew, Andrew McPhee, Tom Sheridan, Carissa Gleeson, Jason Seis, Dorothy Davidson, Mary Cannon, Margaret Tuxford Spicer, Julie Collins, Rosa Maria Santos and the residents of all the nursing homes and all souls.

For those seeking SPECIAL INTENTIONS.

Gulgong News

Anointing Mass for the sick & elderly will be held at 12 noon on Monday, 26th March.

Gulgong Catholic Women's Group will hold their next meeting in the Convent on Tuesday 3rd April at 2.00pm.

GCWG will hold their first Street Stall on Friday, 13th April. All donations of home cooking, craft, books etc. gratefully received.

GOOD FRIDAY 30th March Liturgy of the Passion at 3.00pm

HOLY SATURDAY Easter Vigil 6.00pm

Resurrection Service will be held on Flirtation Hill at 6.30am on Sunday, 1st April. Breakfast at the Anglican Hall after the service. Please bring a couple of buns to share. **DON'T FORGET Daylight Saving finishes** that weekend.

Kandos News

Anointing Mass Wednesday, 28th March at 11.00am in St Dominic's, Kandos followed by lunch. To assist with catering please give names to Carol Morrissey or Sr Kath if you are attending. Cost will be \$5.00 per person. All welcome.

HOLY THURSDAY 29th March Mass of the Last Supper 6.00pm - Rylstone

EASTER SUNDAY 1st April Mass - Kandos 9.30am

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

To recognise the importance of the ministry of being a Special Minister of the Eucharist, there will be a commitment at the Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, on Thursday 29th March, at 6.00pm. All SME are encouraged to attend this Mass. Please contact the Parish Office to RSVP.

Mudgee News

Conversations About Catholics - 4 sessions of conversations about many aspects of the Catholic faith, tradition and rituals. **Next meeting 29th March 2018 at 9.15am in St Mary's Parish Centre.**

From the Liturgy Group:

* For those who are Special Ministers of the Eucharist and have not had the opportunity to participate in the training and the commissioning at the last part of 2017, it will be important that you are able to complete this before Holy Thursday 29th March. Please contact the Parish Office to acknowledge your commitment to this ministry.

NALAG — Centre for Loss & Grief - contact 0488225710. A wonderful local resource offering support for anyone experiencing a loss.

National Church Life Survey — some findings: 170 adults and 10 children completed the survey.

41% of people reach out to the wider community through activities of this parish.

61% agree that they would Support the development of new initiatives in the ministry and mission of this parish. Average age of people attending mass – 68 years.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from the Good Friday collection. The collection is also used to maintain 74 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Last year, Australian Catholics donated \$1.35 million to this cause, despite tough economic times, rural droughts and increasing cost of living which put a strain on family budgets and financial resources. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land again on this Good Friday. Please also pray that peace and harmony will become a reality in the birthplace of Jesus, the 'Prince of Peace'.

Please come prepared to give generously.

JOSEPHITE ASSOCIATES GROUP will be travelling to Wellington for their annual gathering on Saturday, 7th April, 2018. They will be meeting at St. Mary's car park at 8.00am. Anyone who would like a lift please contact Angela 0421354712 or Eileen 63721115.

ST LAWRENCE'S PARISH COONABARABRAN invites you to attend the Centenary Celebration of the dedication of the Presbytery on 15th April 2018 at 11.00am in the Presbytery grounds, 14 Namoi St, Coonabarabran. Morning tea will be provided. RSVP: 9th April Phone: 68421043 or email: pp.coonabarabran@cdob.org.au.



Week 6 Philippines

When Psyche Mae featured in Project Compassion 2008, she was living in a squatter settlement, near a rubbish dump in the Philippines. She is now a social worker, with plans to study a Master's degree, whilst helping others emerge from poverty, thanks to the support of individuals and Caritas Australia.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help improve the health and wellbeing of communities in the Philippines so they can work towards eradicating poverty, providing a just future for all.

Shalom Long Lunch

Aboriginal Spirituality in the Catholic Church

On Sunday 8 April at 12:00am - 3:00pm

at Shalom House of Prayer 7 Collins St, CARCOAR

Speaker Auntie Elsie

A WOMAN of ACTION... DEEP FAITH... STRONG IDENTITY

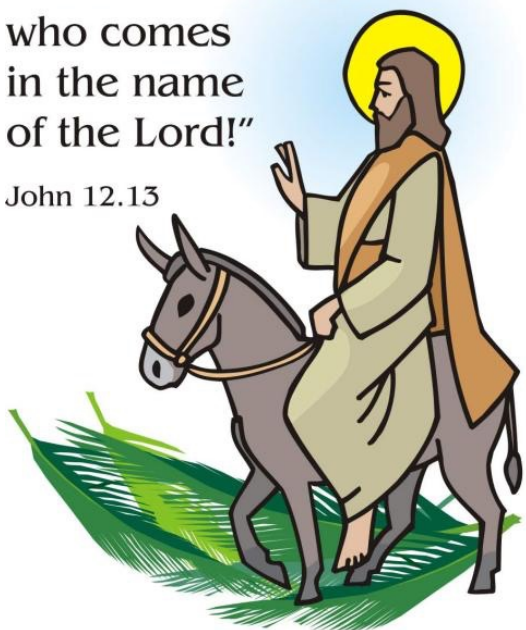
Elsie Heiss was born into the Wiradjuri Nation and spent most of her early days in Cowra and Griffith in NSW. Her talk will focus on, Aboriginal Spirituality in the Catholic Church - giving an overview of the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry and exploring culture, healing and reconciliation.

To Book for the Lunch please phone: 02 63673058
or email: shalomcarcoar@gmail.com

Suggested Donation: Lunch \$40 per person (3 courses)

So they took
branches of palm trees
and went out to meet him,
shouting, "Hosanna!
Blessed is the one
who comes
in the name
of the Lord!"

John 12.13



ST MARY'S PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Nominations are called for election to St Mary's Parish Pastoral Council. According to the constitution of the Parish Pastoral Council members of the current Pastoral council must stand down at the conclusion of their three year term.

The Parish Pastoral Council meetings are held on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 5.30pm in the Parish Centre.

You are cordially invited to nominate yourself or other persons to a three year term.

Nomination forms are available at the back of the Church. The results of the election will be posted and successful candidates notified.

You are encouraged to apply your talents for the good of your Parish.

Please post or hand in to the Parish Office your nominations to Mrs Jenny Maloney, Returning Officer, St Mary of the Presentation Parish Pastoral Council, PO Box 14, Mudgee. **Please be aware these nominations are to be in before the next AGM which is this Wednesday 28th March.**

Don't Miss a Moment This Week

**Courage. Honour. Integrity. Fear. Abandonment.
Persecution. Victory.**

It all happens between Palm Sunday and Holy Saturday. One man, determined to change the world, stands with honour and integrity as others humiliate and insult him. He chooses non-violence while others beat and torture him. With his last breath, he forgives instead of curses.

Walk with this man this week. On Thursday watch him kneel and wash feet. Think about how he has served you and where you can serve others in his name. On Friday watch him stand with dignity against the forces of violence and oppression. Think about his sacrifice and ask for his strength to stand peacefully but forcefully for all those who are crucified by rejection, poverty, or oppression in our schools, cities, and world. On Saturday listen to all the readings at Mass. They tell of God's repeated attempts, since the beginning of time, to save us. Give your life anew to that God and ask how you can help save God's world.

Don't miss this week. All you need to know about your life unfolds in the life of one man who decided two thousand years ago to change the world.

Joke of the Week A little girl came home from worship. It was Palm Sunday. Her father asked what she had learned that day. She told him she learned all about the crowd waving their palm branches and singing a song to Jesus. The father was pleased that she had learned so much. He asked, "What was the song they were singing to Jesus?" The little girl paused, then said, "I think it was O Susanna."