



The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!



Welcome to the Catholic Parishes of
St Mary's Mudgee, St John the Baptist Gulgong,
St Dominic's Kandos / St Malachy's Rylstone.



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.

Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time - 29th July 2018

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Monday
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First Reading: Kings 4:42-44
They will eat and have some left over.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 144
**The hand of the Lord feeds us;
he answers all our needs.**

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. **R.**

The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time. You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live. **R.**

The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. **R.**

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6
There is one body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, Alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 6: 1-15
He distributed to those who were seated as much as much as they wanted.

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

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PRAYER FOR RAIN
• God of life, all good gifts come from you: the breath of life that
• creates us, the fellow creatures that accompany us, the saving
• waters that renew and refresh us.
• We look to you in our time of need.
• Give to the earth the water of life, water to bring forth food for your
• creatures.
• Send us rain to heal the earth and to cleanse its face, water to
• quench your thirsty land.
• Let faith be born from our doubts, hope from our despair,
• compassion from our troubles.
• Let the rains come, so we may know once more your care for all
• creatures.
• Then we will bless your great name and declare your faithful
• love.
• We ask this through Christ our Lord.
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Dear Friends in Christ,
We are all aware of the current drought conditions across our Diocese and their effect on our lives: for some of us more directly than others.

As people of faith, we are already praying for rain and for everyone whose lives and livelihood depend on this blessing. On **Sunday 29th July**, let us be united across the Diocese of Bathurst in a Day of Prayer for those intentions.

Our prayers acknowledge our dependence on God our Creator for all things. In praying for one another, we are motivated and guided to works of practical support.

Yours in Christ,
+Michael McKenna
Bishop of Bathurst

DAY BY DAY

Monday, 30th July
NO SERVICE

Tuesday, 31st July
9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion Mudgee
7.00pm Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, 1st August
9.30am St Mary’s Craft & Friendship Group
11.00am Funeral Prayers, Kandos - Christopher Maw
4.00pm Holy Hour
5.00pm Mass Mudgee

Thursday, 2nd August
8.50am Morning Prayer
9.10am Mass Mudgee - SMCS Yr 6
1.30pm & 7.00pm Confirmation Parent Session 1 Mudgee
3.30pm Confirmation Parent Session Gulgong

Friday, 3rd August
10.30am Mass Opal Nursing Home
11.45am Rosary - Church
12-12.15 Reconciliation
12.20pm Mass Mudgee - SMCS Yr 5 students
*Please note the Friday Mass will be celebrated
12.20pm permanently.

Saturday, 4th August
St John Vianney
1.00pm Mudgee Josephite Associates
5.15pm- 5.45pm Reconciliation Mudgee
6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee
Confirmation Commitment Mudgee

Sunday, 5th August
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B
9.00am Mass - Mudgee
Confirmation Commitment Mudgee
10.30am Gulgong Sunday Service in the Absence of a Priest.
11.00am Mass Kandos

The Sacraments are a privileged way in which nature is taken up by God to become a means of mediating supernatural life. Through our worship of God, we are invited to embrace the world on a different plane.
Water, oil, fire and colours are taken up in all their symbolic power and incorporated in our act of praise. *Laudato Si (2015) 235*

Pope’s Intention for August .. The Treasure of Families

That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th August 2018

Commentator	*	M.McLean
Readers	S. Walker *	L. Littler A. McLean
Special Ministers of Communion	J. Vros D. Cunningham A. Baker	S. Bennett G. Hennessy *
Offertory Procession	Vo Family	Wilson Family
Welcomers	C.Carberry K.Isbester	E. Csuba M. Knight
Altar Servers	K. Roberts B. Roberts B. Scotti	H. Rayner A. Walker-Cooke M. Halpin E. Halpin
Counters	D. Bennett 30/7	D. Donnelly 6/8

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	5th August 2018	Kandos Liturgy Roster	5th August 2018
Leader	Rose Saliba		
Commentator	M. O’Brien	Readers	P. O’Connor T. Ryan
Reader	S. Parnell	Intercessions	H. Roberts
Offertory	C. Holland & Family	Special Minister of Communion	Sr Kath M. Turner
Special Minister of Communion	C. Gaudry J. Thatcher	Sacristan	Sr Kath
Sacristan	E & C Holland		

Masses and prayers requested for the following:
We pray for the recently deceased especially Christopher Maw, John Little, Darren Tuxford, Jean Nicholls, Kenneth Doorey.
We remember the anniversaries of Doris Carroll, Brian O’Farrell, Toby Buckley, Ila Boyd-Skinner, Lyn Pilley, Siegfried Braun, Lorna Milton, Neville Box, Helmet Muller, Max Pilley, Edward Loneragan,
We also pray for Leo & Kath Robinson,
Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Colleen Hayes (former Librarian at St Matthews School), Jarrod Emeny, Troy Whitcombe, Bill Yates, Sid Isbester, Fr Tim Cahill, Sr Monica Sparks, Alma Ristau, Liam Potts, Rosemary Mitchell (QLD), Ursula Smiezek, Jasmine Prada, Dennis Donelly, 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. For those seeking SPECIAL INTENTIONS.

Mudgee Parish News

Save the date.....

Parish Council wish to invite the women of our church community to

"Soup & Slice" on Friday 31st August at 12.45 in the Parish Centre.

This will follow the regular Friday Mass at 12.20pm Please write your name on the board at the back of the church with your phone number/email or contact Julie Keipert 63732264.

Men's breakfast, Saturday 3rd November, 8am at the Parish Centre

Come along, bring a friend, have a yarn details to follow.

As the drought drags on, our farmer's wives could do with a little pick-me-up. Parish Council would like to offer a small personal gift to those women. We are looking for small donations of soaps, shampoos, conditioners, perfumes, hankies, chocolate, or anything personal. A basket will be left in the back of the church for 4 weeks if anyone would care to share a gift.

CONFIRMATION The first of two parent information sessions is this Thursday 2nd August at 1.30pm and a repeat session at 7.00pm. Please register ASAP at the Parish Office if you have a child in the State schools.

JOSEPHITE ASSOCIATES MEETING
next Saturday, 4th August at 1.00pm
in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

MAX POTENTIAL

Hello my name is Jack Newman and I am part of the 2018 Max Potential program. For my community service project I am helping out people who find it hard to do small jobs around their yard such as taking out and bringing in the bins or basic gardening. If you are interested please

Call me on: 0427 566 156

Or email me on:

jacknewman02@gmail.com

Kandos News

Recognising the Good Samaritan Sisters.

On Sunday 5th August at the 11.00am Mass a plaque will be placed in the Kandos church to commemorate the Good Samaritan Sisters who for many years were part of the Kandos Parish. There will be a number of visiting Sisters for this Mass including Sisters Catherine Bell and Janet Colbourne. A Parish lunch will follow the Mass. If you will be attending the lunch and have not already done so please inform Carol Morrissey or Maureen Forbes no later than tomorrow, Monday.

GULGONG NEWS:

Confirmation Parent Information meeting this Thursday 2nd August 3.30pm in the school.

ROSTER: The new Liturgy Roster is on the table at the back of the Church. If you have nominated for any of the Ministries, please take a copy.

Gulgong Catholic Women's Group
PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN AUGUST.

ADVANCE NOTICE

THE ROSARY ROCKS THE WORLD

Be the spark that Lights the Flame in Australia as we kick start the WORLD Rosary.

Sunday, 7th October 2018

Information: Search Oz Rosary #53
or ozrosary.wixsite.com/ozrosary53



Prayer is to our soul what rain is to the soil. Fertilise the soil ever so richly, it will remain barren unless fed by frequent rains.

- St John Vianney -

Position Vacant

Assistant Parish Secretary
St Mary's Parish, Mudgee
Part-Time 12 hours per week

Due to changes in staff we require a new staff member.

We are looking for an Assistant Parish Secretary to perform a variety of administrative and clerical duties. This also includes providing support to our Priests, Staff, Volunteers and Parishioners.

For a copy of the job description please email

office.mudgee@cdob.org.au

Please address applications to the Parish Priest, Fr Owen Gibbons

Closing date, Monday 6th August, 2018

Please include Resume and 2 Referees in the covering letter which addresses the Major Accountabilities.



Palms Australia

More to mission than meats the eye!

Right now, a Butcher is needed in Madang, Papua New Guinea

Meat this challenge: contact Christine on 02 9560 5333.

For more opportunities, visit palms.org.au/volunteer

Can't commit just yet? Check out palms.org.au/encounters

Something funny

Two boys were walking home from church after hearing a strong preaching on the devil. One said to the other, "What do you think about all this Satan stuff?"

The other boy replied, "Well, you know how Santa Claus turned out. It's probably just your dad"

Next week we celebrate 'National Vocations Awareness Week'. It is a time when we are asked to pray for religious vocations as the need is great especially in the Bathurst Diocese.

Who, Me? Yes, You!

Liturgical & Parish Ministry Mudgee

'There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different people, it is working in all of them.' **1 Cor 12:3-7.12-13**

This weekend we are inviting you to commit to one of the ministries within the parish i.e.

- # Special Minister of the Eucharist at Mass.
- # Reader (Lector)
- # Welcomers
- # Offertory Gifts
- # Altar Serving
- # Children's Liturgy
- # Musicians
- # Hospitality
- # Pastoral Council
- # Liturgy Group



There is a particular need for extra Special Ministers of Communion as we now have Communion under both kinds (the Sacred Host & Precious Blood) also new readers. If you wish to volunteer training is provided.

PLEASE FILL OUT THE MINISTRY SHEET PROVIDED INDICATING WHICH MASS IS BEST FOR YOU - EITHER SATURDAY OR SUNDAY.

WHOSE JOB?

This is a story about four people named *Everybody*, *Somebody*, *Anybody* and *Nobody*.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it.

Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realised that Everybody wouldn't do it.

It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done!

**So if you are Everybody,
Somebody, Anybody or Nobody
we need your help!**

IN FOCUS

Becoming the Body of Christ



It's not a fair comparison, I grant you: but Elisha fed a hundred people with twenty loaves, and Jesus fed 5000 with five loaves. If you do the math, it explains why people were even more anxious to follow Jesus. Plus, there are the inexplicable twelve baskets left over at the end of the meal that Jesus orchestrated. No wonder they wanted to carry him off and make him king.

But Jesus doesn't come to regulate the economy of Israel or to provide welfare-to-work programs. He didn't come to set up a medical clinic or to treat mental illness. Though Jesus does feed some of the hungry and heal some of the sick, by no means did he put an end to suffering in his time or for all time. He left that challenge up to his followers. Jesus simply presents himself as the source of divine abundance, and invites us to come to the table and eat. This table's been serving meals for two thousand years, billions have been fed, and there's no end in sight to the feast.

You were all called to travel on the same road and in the same direction, so stay together, both outwardly and inwardly.

*What kind of hunger do you bring to the Eucharist?
How have you been fed?*

We Respond ...

Reflect on the way a good meal satisfies: food, drink, atmosphere, conversation, company. Maybe even candles and flowers. Compare that meal with the Eucharistic meal we share. Celebrate a holy communion each time you share a meal.

... Today we will hear about the multiplication of the loaves and the fish.

Is there anything in your life that you would like multiplied?

..... What does it feel like to eat a big meal when you are very hungry?

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15 Psalm 77 R.v.24

Ephesians 4: 17, 20-24

John 6: 24-35