



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.



Twenty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time - 9th September 2018

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Welcome

to our Youth
as we celebrate
together this
Sunday Mass.

First Reading: Isaiah 35: 4-7

Then the ears of the deaf shall be opened and the tongues of the dumb speak.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145 R.v.1
Praise the lord My Soul

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R.**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down, the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R.**

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan, but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. **R.**

Second Reading: St James 2: 1-5

Has not God chosen the poor of the world to inherit the kingdom?

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the Kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 7: 31-37

He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

Memorial Acclamation:

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection You have set us free.



CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY

Uniquely this year Child Protection Sunday follows on the heels of the formal response of the Australian Catholic Church to the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and the release of the advice provided to Church Leaders by its Truth Justice and Healing Council.

Child Protection Sunday affords an Opportunity for Dioceses, Eparchies, Religious Institutes and Ministerial PJPs to complement that National Catholic Response with factual information on how individual church entities are themselves active participants in the protection/safeguarding of minors and vulnerable adults.

When the Australian Prime Minister offers the response of the Commonwealth Government in Parliament on 22 October we pray it may bring a further sense of how we, both as a Church and as a Nation have faced the terrible truth that we failed our children, but also as a church and as a nation we have now embarked on a new path.

DAY BY DAY

Monday, 10th September

NO SERVICE MUDGE
3.30pm Government School Confirmation class,
Parish Centre.

Tuesday, 11th September

Confirmation Retreat Day Mudge
9.00am Mass
11.00am Funeral Prayers Mudge for Anthony Innes
2.00pm Gulgong Catholic Women’s Group Meeting.

Wednesday, 12th September

Gulgong Confirmation Retreat Day
9.30am St Mary’s Craft & Friendship Group
4.00pm Holy Hour
5.00pm Mass Mudge

Thursday, 13th September

8.50am Morning Prayer
9.10am Mass Mudge - SMCS Kindergarten

Friday, 14th September

10.30am Mass Pioneer House
11.45am Rosary - Church
12-12.15 Reconciliation
12.20pm Mass Mudge - SMCS Yr 9


Saturday, 15th September

Confirmation Mudge
5.15pm- 5.45pm Reconciliation Mudge
6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudge

Sunday, 16th September

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B
9.00am Confirmation Mass Mudge
10.30am Confirmation Mass Gulgong
11.00am Rylstone Sunday Service in the Absence of a
Priest.

The Pope’s Universal Prayer for September.
Young People in Africa
That young people in Africa may have access to
education and work in their own countries.



Holy Baptism

We welcome in Baptism this weekend in Mudge

Lyla Jane Hudson daughter of Thomas and Nicole.

Archer Robert Schmiede son of James and Melissa.

Alexander Ian Schmiede son of Michael and Katharine.

Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th September 2018

Commentator	D.Cunningham	S.Bennett
Readers	A.Wilson I.Byrne	J.Hanrahan L.Littler
Special Ministers of Communion		
Offertory Procession	J & T Robertson	Thomas- Grimes family
Welcomers	D.Bennett K.Isbester	M.Charlesworth G.Mcdermott
Altar Servers	C.Wilson H.Vo	A.Littler B.Hanrahan
Counters	S. & G. Robinson 10/9	M.Walker 17/9

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	16th Sept. 2018	Kandos Liturgy Roster	16th Sept. 2018
Leader			
Commentator	R.Saliba		
Reader	C.Leotta	Readers	T.Ryan L.McPherson
Offertory	M.McGregor L.Hope	Intercessions	M.Turner
Special Minister of Communion	Bishop Michael Fr Owen	Special Minister of Communion	
Sacristan	M & E Carney	Sacristan	L.McPherson G.English

Masses and prayers requested for the following:
We pray for the recently deceased especially Anthony Innes, Joe Swientek, Jack Barrett, Denise Jamieson, Patricia Goldspink, Carol Pelin.
We remember the anniversary of Dick Gawthorne, John Mini, Jack Foggart, Bill Washington,
Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Maggie Swientek, Lon Schreck, Ben Fleitmann, Paul Power, Kristi Smith, Colleen Hayes, Pam O’Connor, Anne Stayorer, Jasmine Parada, Troy Whitcombe, Bill Yates, Trevor Williams (Wangaratta), 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.

Women Creating Community

is a small group of women who meet to make creams and gift packs for people in the parish.

We would love to have some more people involved. So, if you are interested, curious or would just like to have a chat and a cuppa **join us after Mass this Sunday 9th September** in the Parish Centre.



Mudgee Parish News

Confirmation: Bishop Michael will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation in Mudgee on Saturday 15 Sept at 6.00pm & Sunday 16th September at 9.00am Mass.

St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group

Invite everyone to their
Wine Festival Sale
Saturday 15th September from 9.30am
in the Parish Centre.

KANDOS NEWS

Please note the change to the Mass roster for next Sunday 16th September due to Confirmation in Mudgee and Gulgong. A Sunday Service will take place at Rylstone at 11.00am.

Mass - Rylstone 23/9

Mass - Kandos 30/9

GULGONG NEWS

GCWG next meeting is this **Tuesday 11th September 2.00pm** in the Convent.

Confirmation: Next Sunday we will welcome Bishop Michael for the celebration of Confirmation.

Mass will be at 11.00am.

Please pray for the children as they enter the final and important week of preparation.

MUDGE MINISTRY FORMATION



Who are Ministers of
the Word in the parish
of
St Mary of the
Presentation Mudgee

Priest?

Faithful?

Reader?

Cantor?

Commentator?

**Formation for Ministers of the Word
will take place**

on Monday 24th Sept 2018 at 5.00pm

AND REPEATED

on Saturday 29th Sept after

6.00pm Mass

in the Church

so that we can now be fully engaged in
this ministry. Refreshments will be
enjoyed in the Presbytery. These
sessions will take approximately 70mins.

PLEASE REPLY TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY

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BY 20th SEPT

Sharing Resources for Baptism

On Saturday September 22nd at the **Cathedral Parish Centre, Bathurst**, from 10am to 2pm the Diocesan Pastoral Council, Proclaiming and Hearing the Word of God Working Group has organised a gathering, giving parishes the opportunity to share Baptism resources. You are invited to attend this gathering of people from around our Diocese who are interested in handing on the faith, through Baptism preparation.

We are especially interested in how we help parents come to know and love the story of Jesus and how they can share this with their children.

Something funny.....



A man is scrambling eggs when his wife walks into the kitchen.

"Careful," she cries. "Careful! You're cooking too many at once. Too many! Scramble them!"

Now! We need more butter. They're going to stick! Careful! Now scramble them again!

Hurry up! Are you crazy? Don't forget to salt them. Use the salt! The salt!"

The man turns and asks,
"What's wrong with you?"

His wife calmly replies, "I wanted to show you what it feels like when I'm driving and you're in the passenger seat."



It's time to register for the annual **Diocesan RISE Youth Festival!**

This year **RISE Youth Festival** will occur from 11th-12th October 2018 at St Joseph's Heritage and Conference Centre, Perthville.

RISE is a chance for young people in **Year 6 to Year 9** to spend time together, have fun and learn more about their faith. Why not consider being part of RISE this year? Come and be part of an unforgettable experience!

Registrations are now opened at www.bathurst.catholic.org.au

Cost of the Festival is \$120, with an early bird rate of \$110 available until 15th September.

For more information visit www.bathurst.catholic.org.au or contact Deacon Josh via email ministries@bathurst.catholic.org.au or speak to your parish priest, youth minister, REC or scripture teacher.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Isaiah 50: 5-9

Psalms 144 R.v.9

St James 2: 14-518

Mark 8: 27-35



Centacare Sunday, 16th September

This year, Centacare celebrates 30 years of service to families and communities, as the social services arm of the church in our Diocese.

Diocesan Drought Relief Fund

Given that much of the Diocese is still in severe drought, this year Centacare is focusing on supporting families and communities impacted by the drought. We recognise and acknowledge that recovery will not be easy or quick. As part of the Diocesan initiative, Centacare has earmarked \$100,000 of its reserve funds to assist families and communities in their journey to recovery. Centacare will provide ongoing psychosocial assistance and will be with the community for the long haul. Anyone requiring assistance can contact Centacare on 1800 231 118.

The diocesan Drought Relief Fund is facilitated by Centacare, and the immediate proceeds will be directed to Rural Aid Australia, which is currently undertaking several drought relief initiatives, including the 'Buy a Bale' project.

Ways to donate: In person - Centacare offices at 107 William Street, Bathurst or 28 Cobbora Street, Dubbo;
By phone: 1800 231 118 or 6331 8944; or

Online: www.bpoint.com.au/pay/CATHOLICDEVELOPMENTFUND

IN FOCUS

Isn't it clear by now that God operates quite differently?

A young man got up to speak at the local bible study group last week. At first, I thought he was speaking a language unknown to me; then gradually I realised he was speaking my language. But his ability to make himself understood was nearly strangled by the impediment that made him repeat himself in a loop, over and over, until he could complete a single sentence. I felt sad and frustrated for him.



When he finished speaking, a young woman translated his message for him, emphasising his main points. And the crowd of students cheered his name, over and over. I realised that this young man, though impaired, was practically a cult figure among his peers. They

knew him, liked him, accepted him. Though his tongue was bound, his spirit was free.

Many of us labour under impediments to love that seem insurmountable. They may be physical, mental, or spiritual in nature, rooted in past injury or present dysfunction. However, impossible it seems that we may be freed from what holds us bound, the appearance is deceiving. Jesus cured a deaf mute with his spit. He holds the power to open hearts too.

What part of your life is closed and bound?

Embrace downward mobility in the world, upward mobility in the Kingdom. Find ways to share what you have with the materially and spiritually poor.

Where in your life have you been closed off and needed to be more open?

How does it feel when you think about being more open?
What kinds of emotions come up?

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World Youth Day Panama - 2019

Bishop Michael is inviting our young people to join him for World Day in Panama.

The diocese will be leading a group of young people over 18 years for an eighteen day pilgrimage from 14th January - 1st February 2019. The pilgrimage will include an immersion experience in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, followed by World Youth Day week in Panama.

Further information check the diocesan website www.bathurst.catholic.org.au



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

**“We have a Lord who is capable of crying with us and capable of walking with us in the most difficult moments of life”:
Pope Francis**

