



*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.



### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

### Sunday, 28th January 2018

#### Parish Priest

Fr Owen Gibbons

#### Seminarian

Mr Nam Lee

**Deacon** Charles Applin (Kandos)

#### Parish Secretaries

Mrs Patti Kiddle

Mrs Jenny Maloney

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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

### REFLECTION

The word 'diabolical' comes from a Greek word referring to something broken in two, shattered. Looking at persons and societies torn apart, it is obvious that the diabolical spirit is powerful. However, it harbours a fear that a more powerful Holy Spirit could reintegrate a personality, could make a community out of divided groups.

'Have you come to destroy us?' indicates that this fear was realised in the coming on to the scene of Jesus Christ. Jesus' answer was a resounding 'Yes', not in words but in action, healing a man torn apart by a diabolical spirit.

Jesus Christ invites and empowers us to join in his healing mission to overcome whatever it is which tears people apart, whether at the individual, community or global levels. We do so in the confidence of His Resurrection which overcame the diabolical tearing apart of His body and soul.

We could pause for a moment to commit ourselves to joining Jesus' mission, so putting the fear of God into the devil! © Fr Michael Tate

### First Reading

#### Deuteronomy 18: 15-20

*I will put my words into the prophet's mouth, and he will tell them all I command.*

### Responsorial Psalm

**R: If today you hear his voice  
harden not your hearts.**

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord.

**Response.**

Come in; let us kneel and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **Response.**

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **Response.**

### Second Reading:

#### Corinthians 7:32-35

*The unmarried woman dedicates herself to the things of the Lord, that she might be holy.*

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

A people in darkness have seen a great light: a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death. **Alleluia!**

### Gospel Reading:

#### Mark 1:21-28

*This is a new kind of teaching that speaks with authority.*

### Memorial Acclamation

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



#### CHANGE OF WEEK DAY MASS TIMES

PLEASE NOTE THAT  
FROM 6<sup>TH</sup>  
FEBRUARY MASS  
WILL BE 9.00AM ON

TUESDAYS. ON WEDNESDAY HOLY  
HOUR WILL BE AT 4.00PM AND  
MASS AT 5.00PM.

THIS WILL BE A PERMANENT CHANGE.

## Day By Day

### Monday, 29th January 2018

9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion  
4.00pm Rosary (6372 1115)

### Tuesday, 30th January 2018

9:00am: Mass (Mudgee)

### Wednesday, 31st January 2018

#### St John Bosco

9:00am: Mass Mudgee  
9:30am: St Mary's Craft - All Welcome  
11:00am: Joyce Gaffney (Lynch) Funeral - St. Brigid's Parish, Dubbo

### Thursday, 1st February 2018

9:10am: Mass (Mudgee)

### Friday, 2nd February 2018

#### The Presentation of the Lord

10:30am: Communion Service -Opal Nursing Home  
10:30am: Commissioning Mass 2018 SMCS School Leaders - O'Donovan Centre (Gym)  
11:45am: Rosary (Mudgee)  
12:15pm: Reconciliation  
12:30am: Mass (Mudgee)

### Saturday, 3rd February 2018

Baptisms & Wedding - Mudgee  
5:15pm - 5:45pm: Reconciliation (Mudgee)  
6:00pm: Vigil Mass (Mudgee)

### Sunday, 4th February 2018

#### 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am: Mass (Mudgee)  
10:30am: Sunday Celebration of the Word w/ Holy Communion (Gulgong)  
11:00am: Mass (Kandos)

## Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th February 2018

<b>Commentator</b>	J. Cross	M. McLean	
<b>Readers</b>	L. Schreck S. Walker	A. Wilson A. McLean	
<b>Special Ministers of Communion</b>	J. Vros A. Baker	G. Hennessy S. Bennett *	
<b>Offertory Procession</b>	Vo Family	Wilson Family	
<b>Organist</b>	E. Cooper	R.Newman	
<b>Welcomers</b>	Help needed	E. Csuba M. Knight	
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Help Needed	Help Needed	
<b>Counters</b>	S & G Robinson 29/1	M. Walker 5/2	
<b>Gulgong Liturgy Roster</b>	<b>4th Feb 2018 J. Thatcher</b>	<b>Kandos Liturgy Roster</b>	<b>4th Feb 2018</b>
<b>Commentator</b>	P. Leotta	<b>Leader</b>	
<b>Reader</b>	M. McGregor	<b>Readers</b>	K. Morrrisey P. O'Connor
<b>Offertory</b>	G. Ausburn E. Donelly	<b>Intercessions</b>	Sr. Kath
<b>Special Minister of Communion</b>	M. Carney C. Holland	<b>Special Minister of Communion</b>	L. McPherson M. Turner
<b>Sacristan</b>	M & E Carney	<b>Sacristan</b>	H. Roberts

### The Pope's Prayer Intention February

#### Universal: Say "No" to Corruption

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

### NOMINATIONS ARE NEEDED FOR THE DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL 1 REPRESENTATIVE MUDGE

#### 2 REPRESENTATIVES KANDOS/RYLSTONE

Parishioners are invited to propose suitable people who would be interested in representing the parish on the Diocesan Council to the parish priest, Fr Owen Gibbons.



*Masses and prayers requested for the following:*

*We pray for the recently deceased especially*

Rosemarie Thomson, Joyce Gaffney (Lynch), Russell Gibbons (brother of Fr Owen), Peter George (Inverell), Daphne Talbot, Robert Pilley and John Stanford.

**We remember the anniversaries of** Dorothy Betts, Giovanni Leotta, Patrick O'Hare and Ruby Tandy.

**We also pray for** deceased members of the Goldspink family.

**Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time:** Jasmine Prada, Margaret Melinz, 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.

For those seeking SPECIAL INTENTIONS.

**Gulgong News**

**All Hallows School** - Return for 2018 Tuesday 30th January.

**Extra Ordinary meeting** GCWG and parishioners, Tuesday 30th January 2.00pm at the Convent.

**Gulgong Catholic Women's Group General Meetings** will resume Tuesday 6th February 2.00pm at the Convent.

**Mudgee News**

**St Matthews School** students return for 2018 Wednesday 31st (Y1 - 12) Kindergarten Thursday 1st February.

**Mudgee Josephite Associates meeting** Saturday, 3rd February at 1.00pm in the Parish Centre. New members welcome.

**St Mary's Playgroup** each Thursday from 10.30am in the Parish Centre. Parents and pre-school children welcome. Enjoy a coffee and a chat while the children play. No cost. All welcome.

**2018 Sacramental Program**

**3rd June** - First Holy Communion Mudgee

**15th September** - Confirmation Mudgee

**16th September** - Confirmation Mudgee and Gulgong.

**Dates for First Reconciliation in Mudgee and Gulgong to be confirmed.**

**First Holy Communion Gulgong** also to be confirmed.

Families with children in Yr 2, Yr 3 and Yr 6 eligible for the sacraments in 2018 are encouraged to please enrol at the Parish Office. In particular families with children who attended the State schools.

***Palms Encounters** are ethically run group tours that provide participants with authentic, hard to come by experiences. The tours have been carefully designed to give you an insight into the daily life of people of another culture, an understanding of sustainable approaches to reducing poverty, and an insight into the life and work of Palms development volunteers.*

*We still have **limited places** available for our next trip to **Timor-Leste 11-23 March** if you book by **5pm Thursday 25 January**. Please contact Palms on 02 9560 5333 or see [www.palms.org.au/encounters](http://www.palms.org.au/encounters)*

**Dates for the Diary****Tuesday 30th January**

All Hallows School Gulgong - Return to School  
2.00pm GCWG extra ordinary meeting in the Convent.

**Wednesday 31st January** - SMCS Yr 1-12 students return to school.

**Thursday 1st February** - SMCS Kindergarten begin their school year.

**Friday 2nd February** - 10.30am Commissioning of SMCS 2018 School Leaders, O'Donovan Centre.

**Saturday 3rd February**

1.00pm Mudgee Josephite Associates meeting, Parish Centre.

6.00pm Mass Mudgee.

**Sunday 4th February**

**9.00am** Mass Mudgee

**10.30am** - Sunday Celebration of the Word with Communion Gulgong

**11.00am** - Mass Kandos

**Tuesday 6th February**

2.00pm GCWG general meeting in the Convent.

**Wednesday 14th February**

Ash Wednesday - Mass times to be advised.

**Wednesday 28th February**

5.30pm Mudgee Pastoral Council meeting.

**Readings for Next Weekend:**

**Job 7: 1-4, 6-7**

**Psalms 94: 1-2, 6-9. R. v. 9**

**1 Corinthians 9: 16-19, 22-23**

**Mark 1:29-39**

**SHALOM HOUSE OF PRAYER, CARCOAR  
RETREAT**

**"I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE.**

February 16, 6.00pm to Sunday 18th February 3.00pm.

Cost \$190

Bookings and payments can be made by  
Ph 63673058 or email [shalomcarcoar@gmail.com](mailto:shalomcarcoar@gmail.com).

### ***Surrender Lenten Program 2018***



Included for the first time this year the Lenten Program books have short daily reflections (from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday) in addition to the longer-form Sunday Gospel reflections, spiritual direction, Gospel readings, responsorial psalms, prayers and reflection questions that are traditionally part of the Lenten program for groups.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14th, just a few weeks away. To secure your copy please place your name on the clipboard at the back of the church. Cost \$7 each.

If you would like to host a Lenten Group in your home or in the Parish Centre please contact the Parish Secretary to arrange. 63722122 or indicate on the clipboard as well.



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23 January 2018

### **St Matthews Catholic School Mudgee Consultation Meeting**

Parishioners may recall the notice in December 2017 regarding the capital works planning needs of St Matthews Catholic School Mudgee. The notice outlined the work that has been undertaken over the last 15 months resulting in reports being prepared and options established to assist the parish, school and diocesan community in discerning the best way forward in regard to the pressing need at St Matthews for educational and recreational space.

The notice also advised that a period of consultation would occur early in 2018. To that end, parishioners, parents/carers and other interested community members are invited to participate in a consultation meeting which will be held on **Thursday February 8 2018**. For those able to attend during the day the meeting will be held at **10.30am - 12.30pm** at St Matthews. A repeat session will be held between **6.30pm – 8.30pm** in the same venue. Light refreshments will be provided.

We look forward to your engagement in the consultation process.

Please contact the school office on 62721742 to advise of your attendance for catering and seating purposes.

Yours sincerely

Jason Hanrahan  
Principal

Jenny Allen  
Executive Director of Schools  
Catholic Education, Diocese of Bathurst



## World Meeting of Families 2018 - Calling for expressions of interest



Dublin, Ireland, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families (WMOF) from 21st-26th August 2018, guided by the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World".

The Diocese of Bathurst is calling for Expressions of Interest from members of the Diocese to attend this important international event.

Held every three years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the central importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church. The event has at its heart the following key moments:

- 21st August: a National Opening of WMOF2018
- 22nd- 24th August: a three-day Congress
- Saturday 25th August: a Festival of Families
- Sunday 26th August: WMOF2018 will close with a solemn Eucharistic Celebration.

If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please contact Deacon Josh on 0458 261 513 or email: [ministries@bathurst.catholic.org.au](mailto:ministries@bathurst.catholic.org.au)



## Welcome Fr Owen Gibbons.

Fr Owen has previously been assigned to the Cathedral Parish of Bathurst for the past three years.

### **Fr Owen welcome to Mudgee**

*We pray that you enjoy your ministry here with us and that you will be welcomed and supported by the whole community.*

Mr Nam Lee, who is currently on a pilgrimage to his homeland in Vietnam will join Father Owen in the first week of February. Nam, a seminarian is having one year off to help him learn/adjust to the Australian language and culture. He will assist Fr Owen with the Pastoral needs while also learning about parish and community work.

***DATES FOR THE DIARY***

**10th September 10.30am** Gulgong  
First Holy Communion.

**9th Sept.6pm Vigil Mass /10th Sept.  
9.00am Mass** Mudgee First Holy  
Communion.

PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE HEATERS IN THE CENTRE ISLES AS THEY ARE VERY HOT.  
PLEASE BE PARTICULARLY AWARE IF YOU HAVE YOUNG CHILDREN.