

**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 custodians of the land on which we live, work and pray. We walk on Wiradjuri country. May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B - 24th January 2021**

**First Reading: Samuel Jon 3:1-5. 10**

*The Ninevites renounced their evil ways.*

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 24: 4-9. R. v.4**

*All: Teach me your ways, O Lord.*

Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. **(R.)**

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. **(R.)**

The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **(R.)**

**Second Reading: 1 Cor 7:29-31**

*The world as we know it is passing away.*

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News!

Alleluia!

**Gospel: Mark 1: 14-20**

*Repent, and believe the Good News.*



**Parish Priest**  
Fr Owen Gibbons

**Parish Deacon**  
Deacon Charles Applin

**Parish Office Hours**  
**Mon** 10.00am - 4.00pm  
**Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri**  
9.00am - 4.00pm  
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1.00pm - 2.00pm

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**Masses and prayers Requested for the following:**

**For the recently deceased especially**

Fr Tim Cahill, Pat Hudson, Trong Phu Tran (Vietnam). John O'Brien, Sr Clarie Hopper.

**We pray for the Souls of** Charlie & Rita Saliba, Carmelo Mifsud, Ana & Mijo Glavacevic, Eva & Mijo Cerovski, Eva & George Jozicic, Anka & Mijo Sr. Glavacevic.

**We remember the anniversaries of**

Ruby Taney, Rosemarie Thomson, Anges Turczak, Elaine Morrissey, Arthur Tatham, David Brown, Anne-Marie Breitkopf, Carlo Colaiacomo.

**Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time:**

Mike O'Shea, Jan Bailie, Bruce Eastburn, Karen Freebody, Rodrigo Jaboneta, Maria Leotta, Eliza and Elena Vasilis, Rebecca Fetcher, Enid Auld, Debbie Solti, Katherine Szulc (Poland), Judith Grant, Vicky Gaffney, Anthony Spina, Julie Collins, Elizabeth Donnelly, Ursula Smieszek, Jasmine Prada, Mary Cannon and those in our Nursing Homes.

Those seeking Special Intentions and for all the Holy Souls.

**HELP NEEDED**

Thank You to everyone who has volunteered to assist with the Masses over January. We are still in need of help on Sundays. If you would like to read or are a Eucharistic Minister and available on Sundays, please contact the Parish Office.

**CURRENT COVID RESTRICTIONS**

The number of people allowed to attend a place of worship for Mass services, funerals, weddings or private prayer is based on the **1 person per 2 square meter rule**. Everyone entering the Church or Church buildings are required to supply their name and contact details. This can be done by using the Diocesan QR code, the Service NSW QR code, the individual Parish QR codes or by manually signing in. It is strongly recommended by the NSW Government that people attending places of worship wear a mask.

**Mudgee Roster  
Saturday 30th / Sunday 31st January 2021**

	Sat 6.00pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.00am
<b>Reader</b>	C.Furney	D.Maher	C.Devitt
<b>Prayers of the Faithful</b>	D.Cunningham	<b>Help Needed</b>	M.Dunnachie
<b>Special Ministers of Communion</b>	I.Byrne		M.Devitt

**Saturday 6th / Sunday 7th February 2021**

	Sat 6.00pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.00am
<b>Reader</b>	L.Nicholson	M.McLean	L.Littler
<b>Prayers of the Faithful</b>	C.Furney	<b>Help Needed</b>	L.Finter
<b>Special Ministers of Communion</b>	J.Vros		<b>Help Needed</b>

**Gulgong Roster**

Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
<b>24 Jan</b>	P. Leotta	D.Hudson	C.Holland
<b>31 Jan</b>	D. Kelly	S.Parnell	R.Saliba

**Pope's Universal Prayer for January**

**Human Fraternity**

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

## DAY BY DAY

### Monday, 25th January

No Service

12 Noon Angelus

### Tuesday, 26th January

#### AUSTRALIA DAY

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12 Noon Angelus

### Wednesday, 27th January

9.00am Mass Mudgee St Matthews Staff Attending

9.30am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group

12 Noon Angelus

### Thursday, 28th January

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12 Noon Angelus

### Friday, 29th January

12 Noon - 12.20pm Reconciliation (Back of Church)

12 Noon Angelus and Rosary (Front of Church)

12.30am Mass Mudgee

### Saturday, 30th January

12 Noon Angelus

5.15pm - 5.30pm Reconciliation

6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

### Sunday, 31st January

#### 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

7.30am Mass Mudgee

9.00am Mass Mudgee

10.30am Mass Gulgong

11.00am Mass Kandos

12 Noon Angelus

6.00pm Word & Faith Group Mudgee

**Anointing/ Home Communion:** Please ring and make an appointment, Fr Owen and Fr Dong are available, and we can visit you at home.

## *Parish Luncheon*

We are going to begin again our light luncheon after our Friday 12.30pm Mass as a way of connecting parishioners who have been effected by Covid isolation. If you would like attend our first luncheon on 5th February, please contact the Parish Office for catering numbers by Wednesday afternoon.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

### Wednesday 27th Jan

9.00am Mass St Matthews Staff Attending

### Thursday 28th Jan

All Hallows - Yrs 1 - 6 Return to school

### Friday 29th Jan

St Mathews - Kindergarten, Yrs 6, 7, 11 & 12 Return to school.

### Monday 1st Feb

St Matthews - Yrs 1-5 & Yrs 8-10

All Hallows - Kindergarten

### Tuesday 2nd Feb

9.30am St Marys Communion Service.

### Friday 5th Feb

1.00pm Parish Luncheon (See notice above)

### Wednesday 17th Feb

Ash Wednesday

## Quote:

Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.

Francis of Assisi

**Readings for Next Week:** Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Dt:** 18: 15-20

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

**1 Cor:** 7: 32-35

**Mark:** 1: 21-28



## REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we reflect on the first and most important responsibility of discipleship, namely, evangelisation, the goal of which is the proclamation of the reign of God. God seems to choose the most unlikely people to preach to others. It does not matter who brings the good news, but who receives it. Jonah the prophet was sent to outsiders, even enemies. The disciples were fishermen who spoke to the people of their own country. God's salvation is intended for all, and it seems to make little difference who brings this good news.

Today's readings call for repentance. The grace of God requires a new way of living, a life of faith and commitment. The gospel invites us into the age of fulfilment, a salvific reign of truth, compassion and kindness. It is a way of life that leads to justice.

There is an urgency in these readings. This world in its present form is passing away, and God's call demands a total response. Like the disciples, we must leave the familiarity of our former ways and follow the call that we have heard in the depths of our hearts. We are called first to enter the reign of God and then to spread it. As ambassadors of God, we bring the good news of salvation wherever we are and in whatever we do. Called by God, we now begin to live in a totally different way, guided by the values of the reign of God rather than those of the world that is passing away.



## YEAR of SAINT JOSEPH

DECEMBER 8, 2020 - DECEMBER 8, 2021

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,  
and defend us from every evil.  
Amen.*

**The Time has Come.** These are the first recorded words of Jesus in Mark's Gospel. In a variety of contexts we have probably used them ourselves when we felt that an important decision could be delayed no longer. At some point in our life, perhaps even today, the decision in question will be whether to follow Jesus wholeheartedly or in a superficial way.

### Learning Moments...

Fishermen were an integral part of the life and economy of the area around the Sea of Galilee in Jesus' time. To have fishermen as followers was to be in touch with the very heart of the community. If Jesus were to come today to your district, what sort of people would he call to follow him that would again put him in touch with the heart of the community?