

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 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.



Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B 31st October 2021

First Reading: [Dt 6:2-6](#)

*Hear Israel, you shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart.*

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 17:2-4. 47. 51. R.v.2](#)

(R.) I love you Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. (R.)

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be to the God that saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown love for his anointed. (R.)

Second Reading: [Heb 7:23-28](#)

*This one, because he remains for ever, has an eternal
priesthood.*

Gospel Acclamation: [Jn 14:23](#)

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel: [Mk 12:28-34](#)

*This is the first commandment,
and the second is similar to it.*



November - Month of the Holy Souls

We will be celebrating Mass in the various parish
cemeteries in November as we have done in past
years. Please invite those you know who have lost a
loved one to join us.

In case of rain the Mass will be held in Church. Please
bring a chair or rug to sit on.

***Rylstone Cemetery Mass -**

Wednesday 3rd November, 5.00pm

***Mudgee Cemetery Mass - Lawn Cemetery**

Wednesday 3rd November, 6.00pm

Gulgong Cemetery Mass -

Tuesday 9th November, 6.00pm



*Please note new dates for Rylstone and Mudgee.

MASS OFFERINGS

November Mass envelopes will be available at the
back of the Church. Names will be printed in the Book
of Remembrance and placed on the altar at Mass.

Parish Priest

Fr Owen Gibbons

Assistant Priest

Fr Dong Van Nguyen

Parish Deacon

Deacon Charles Applin

Parish Secretaries

Mrs Kristie Newman
Mrs Krista O'Brien



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Parish Office Hours

Mon 10.00am - 4.00pm

Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri 9.00am - 4.00pm

Closed for Lunch 1.00pm - 2.00pm

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St Matthews Catholic School Mudgee:

Principal: Mrs Angela Myles

Ph 02 6372 1742

www.stmattsmudgee.catholic.edu.au/

All Hallows Catholic School Gulgong:

Principal: Mr Bradley Toole

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www.allhallowsgulgong.catholic.edu.au

GULGONG NEWS

Melbourne Cup Luncheon

Time: 12noon for 12.30pm
Place: Convent - Gulgong
Please bring a plate to share.
Sweeps and fun to be had.
Covid rules will apply.



First Holy Communion for Gulgong Parish will be on Sunday 7th November.

MASS CHANGES.....

All Saints - Monday 1st November. Mass at Mudgee 9.30am

Cemetery Mass Mudgee - 3rd November at 6pm

Cemetery Mass Rylstone - 3rd November at 5pm



Congratulations to:

*Amelia Blewitt
Rebel Trudgett
Charlotte Keightley
Edward Loneragan
Ella Williams*

who will receive the Blessed Eucharist for the first time.



also Congratulations to:

Dusty May
who will be Confirmed this weekend.

Masses and prayers requested for the following:

For the recently deceased... Norma Lynch

We remember the anniversaries of: Maria Leotta Snr, Giuseppe Spina, Mark Barrett, Barrington Hensley, Ronald Wellsmore, Eileen Freeman, Lorna Farr

We also pray for: John Sullivan, Annie Meahan, Urszula Smieszek (Poland) and Amy Simpson (Muswellbrook)

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Howard Brady, Sue Kearins, John Cross, Tomislav Glavacevic, Maria Leotta, Carmel Thompson,, Elizabeth Donnelly, Rodrigo Jaboneta, and all those in our Nursing Homes.



Online public lecture



How do we know what we don't know?



In 2021 the National Centre for Pastoral Research (NCPR) is celebrating 25 years of service to the church.

To mark the occasion, this lecture will look at how research and analyses undertaken by the NCPR have informed the planning for parish, school and other ministry developments, and have supported major Church initiatives, including the Plenary Council.

Delivered by
Most Rev Michael McKenna
Bishop of Bathurst

Date
Wednesday, 17 November 2021

Respondents
Mr Daniel Ang
Evangelisation, Archdiocese of Sydney

Time
5pm

Ms Danielle Cronin
Director, Education Policy, Catholic Schools NSW

Cost
Free to participate

Registration is essential by
Monday 15 November 2021

Information and registration
acu.edu.au/ncpr25

Christmas Cards

This year, we will be selling Christmas Cards with images from St Mary's Church. Photographed and design by Fr Dong.

The Cards will be on sale after Mass for \$3 each.

All proceeds will go to the parishes.



The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them... they are in peace.
Wisdom 3:1-3

Mudgee Roster Saturday 6th / Sunday 7th November 2021		
	Sat 6.00pm	Sun 9.00am
Commentator	K. Fitzsimmons	S.Abbey
First Reader	I.Byrne	R. Disher
Second Reader	L. Nicholson	L.Disher
Special Ministers of Communion	D. Cunningham	M. Gilbert
Altar Servers		
Welcomers		
Counter	8th Nov	L. Nicholson

Saturday 13th / Sunday 14th November 2021		
	Sat 6.00pm	Sun 9.00am
Commentator	D.Cunningham	M. Matthews
First Reader	A.Fergus	M.Barrett
Second Reader	K. Fitzsimmons	L.Croake
Special Ministers of Communion	A. Baker	R. Croake
Altar Servers		
Welcomers		
Counters	15th Nov	D. Donnelly

Gulgong Roster			
Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
7th Nov	R. Saliba	M. McGregor	R. Saliba
14th Nov	E. Donnelly	O. O'Brien	M. & E. Carney
21st Nov	D. Kelly	J. Thatcher	E. Donnelly

Pope's Universal Prayer for October

Missionary Disciples
We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

DAY BY DAY

MONDAY - 1st November
All Saints Day
9.30am Mass Mudgee
12.00 Noon Angelus

TUESDAY - 2nd November
All Souls Day
9.30am Mass Mudgee
12 Noon Angelus
5.00pm St Matthews 12 Graduation Dinner

WEDNESDAY - 3rd November
9.30am Mass Mudgee
12.00 Noon Angelus
5.00pm Cemetery Mass - Rylstone
6.00pm Cemetery Mass - Mudgee Lawn Cemetery

THURSDAY - 4th November
9.30am Mass Mudgee
12.00 Noon Angelus
1.30pm Reconciliation Parent Meeting
7.00pm Reconciliation Parent Meeting

FRIDAY - 5th November
10.30am Mass Opal Nursing Home
12.00 Noon Angelus and Rosary (Front of Church)
12 Noon Reconciliation (Back of Church)
12.30pm Mass Mudgee
5.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Mary's Mudgee

SATURDAY - 6th November
11.00am Baptism
12.00 Noon Angelus
5.15-5.40pm Reconciliation (Back of Church)
6.00pm Vigil Mass Mudgee

SUNDAY - 7th November
THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9.00am Mass Mudgee
10.30am Mass Gulgong - First Holy Communion
11.00am Holy Communion in Absence of the Priest
12.00 Noon Angelus
6.00pm Word and Faith Group

Anointing/ Home Communion:
If you know of anyone who would like Anointing/ Home Communion, please ring the office.
Fr Owen and Fr Dong are available, and can visit at home or in hospital.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
1Kgs 17:10-16 Ps 145:7-10. R.v.2 Heb 9:24-28 Mk 12:38-44

Covid Restrictions

THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS APPLY...

- All people may attend a place of worship, regardless of vaccination status.
- Masks must continue to be worn inside.
- The 1 person per 4sqm density limit must continue to be observed.
- QR code or manual register must continue to be used.
- Congregational singing is still not permitted.
- Choirs of up to 10 people *are* permitted to sing, however all must be fully vaccinated.

Our Parishes and Diocese are guided by NSW Health. These restrictions can change at any time.

Current Mass capacity:

Mudgee	80 people
Gulgong	48 people
Kandos	50 people
Rylstone	40 people

From next weekend, 30th / 31st October, you will need to register to attend mass in Mudgee on the weekends.

Please contact the Parish, Monday to Friday, between 9am and 4pm to register.

REFLECTIONS AT HOME



REFLECTIONS ONLINE:

Take Two with Jesus - offers short daily reflections via email, based on the Sunday Gospel. To subscribe, please send your name and email address to prayer@rok.catholic.net.au.

3 Minute Retreats - invites you to take a short prayer. Spend some quiet time reflecting on a Scripture passage.

<http://www.loyolapress.com/3-minute-retreats-daily-online-prayer>

Bible in One Year - is a free App that can be downloaded from Apple Store or Google Play. The App is part of the Alpha International. You can either read or listen to readings from the Bible each day.

There are different editions:

Classic Editions that takes you through the whole Bible with daily readings, thoughts and prayers.

Express Edition for those who are in a rush. The express edition will take you 10 minutes each day.

Youth Edition - A remix of the Express edition for those between the ages of 13 -18 years.

Connect@Home - Daily readings and reflections from the Catholic Diocese of Bathurst. To receive the daily email, subscribe at <http://eepurl.com/ddY9nr>

REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

The Dual Command

Jesus does not command us to love 'God' in the abstract. Teaching Jew to Jew he says: 'You shall love the Lord your God' – the Lord who had rescued the Jewish people from slavery. So, commanding a love which responds to an initiative of Divine Love.

Why wouldn't one respond 'heart, mind, strength, soul' in gratitude for the gift of life itself, for some particular person or incident, for the beauty and grandeur of nature, for rescue from some situation which seemed to engulf us? And if the Lord God loved you in such a way, why wouldn't you love yourself?

Then you can properly 'Love your neighbour as yourself'. There is nothing sentimental in his teaching from Leviticus 19:18 and the preceding verses. Jesus was pointing to the system of social justice which looked after the poor and which did not exploit workers. It is up to us as global citizens of the 21st century to recognise as 'neighbours' those beyond our borders and to love them in the practical 'Levitical' way.

Fulfilling the Dual Command, we guard against the extremes of religious piety or social activism and become Christian humanists loving God and neighbour.

We might pause a moment to pray in responsive gratitude to the Lord God, and to commit ourselves to loving our neighbour, hoping to hear the words of Jesus Christ: 'You are not far from the Kingdom of God.'



Have you thought? All Saints / All Souls

The feasts of All Saints (Nov 1) and All Souls (Nov 2) can be seen as something of a twin feast that celebrates all those who have died. With the feast of All Saints we celebrate all those who have died and have entered into direct and immediate communion with God in heaven. With the feast of All Souls we celebrate and pray for those who have died but have not yet entered into that direct communion with God. These two different states revolve around the Church teaching on *purgatory* – a state or process of purification before entering into heaven.

Year of St Joseph

"Show yourself a father, and guide us in the path of life"

