

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.



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Year B 21st November 2021

First Reading: [Dn 7:13-14](#)

His sovereignty is eternal.

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1](#)

(R.) The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power. **(R.)**

The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are. **(R.)**

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time. **(R.)**

Second Reading: [Rv 1:5-8](#)

*The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a line of
kings, priests to serve his God.*

Gospel Acclamation: [Mk 11:9, 10](#)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel: [Jn 18:33-37](#)

You say that I am a king.



REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Not from, but for, the World

What are we to make of the famous reply of Jesus to Pilate: 'My kingdom is not of this world'? Left there, it sounds as though Jesus is talking about a realm which is far removed from terrestrial concerns. Perhaps our task as his followers is to meditate into a blissful nothingness, to live other-worldly lives.

It is a poor translation, and it should read: 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would have fought to stop my being handed over.' Of all the ways in which our Lord could have contrasted his realm with all the other ways in which societies are ruled, he chose a contrast about the use of force. Rather, his reign springs from his Father's will that humanity should live together in a realm of non-violence.

We can easily criticise ISIL's blasphemous use of barbaric violence in the supposed service of religion. It is the most extreme opposite of Our Lord's teaching which He embodied in his practice. But, even for us, the challenge is there to restrain too-ready resort to armed violence and to humanely moderate its exercise where it is used to protect the innocent.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the coming of the Kingdom, not as an 'out of this world' experience, but in the words of the Our Father: 'Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done *on earth* as it is in heaven.'

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OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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GULGONG NEWS

GCWG CHRISTMAS MORNING TEA

When: Monday 6th December 10.30am

Where: Mayne Street Cafe (\$20 each)

RSVP: Thursday 2nd December
Phyllis Lenard 6374 1441 or 0447 741 256

Please register interest (on sheet) at back of church



Baptism: We welcome to the Parish community



Tyus and Marlee Bateman

children of William and Belinda

Congratulations to:



Layne Bannister Ruby George

Jordan Bourke Nelle Goodlet

Lachlan Doran James Gilbert

Jordan Geddes Josephine Gilbert

Logan Geddes Bridie Newman

Sam Geddes Geordie Quilty

who will be Confirmed this weekend.

Masses and prayers requested for the following:

For the recently deceased: Joy Gilbey, Michael Maloney and Bishop Bill Wright

We remember the anniversaries of: Maria Brec, Anna Swientek, Ciro Spedaliere, Joseph Tutill, Marie Hundy, Lawrence Cluff, Joy McGrath, Margaret Robinson, Gary Szymkarczuk, Helen Friend, Kath Fuller, Patrick Rily, Richard and Merilyn Kinsela Bozana Stanojevic and Mark Kane.

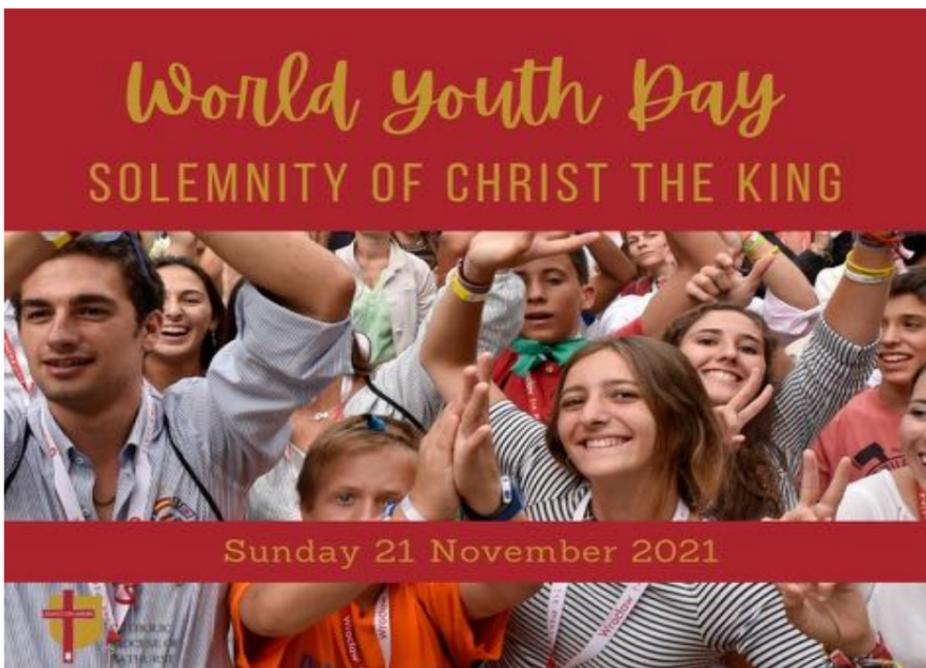
We also pray for: Tony Petchell, Norma Lynch, John Sullivan, Annie Meahan, Urszula Smieszek (Poland) and Amy Simpson (Muswellbrook)

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Dyanna Thoment, Marie Trouson, Howard Brady, Sue Kearins, John Cross, Tomislav Glavacevic, Carmel Thompson, Elizabeth Donnelly, Rodrigo Jaboneta, Molly Jenkins and all those in our Nursing Homes. Those seeking Special Intentions and for all the Holy Souls.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2021

World Youth Day 2021 will be celebrated in all parishes on Sunday 21 November, the Solemnity of Christ the King. This date will also mark the launch of the countdown to our Diocesan pilgrimage to Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day 2023.

Registration for expressions of interest from 18 to 25 year olds to join the 2023 pilgrimage, can be made via the Diocesan Facebook page or website.



Dates for the Diary

5th December

11.00am Christmas Gathering - Kandos

17th December

12.30pm Anointing Mass - Mudgee

19th December

9.00am Remembrance Mass - Mudgee

10.30am Remembrance and Anointing Mass - Gulgong

11.00am Remembrance and Anointing Mass - Kandos

21st December

7.00pm Second Rite of Reconciliation - Mudgee

Friday 24th December Christmas Eve

6.30pm Vigil - on the St Matthews School Green - Mudgee

6.30pm Vigil - Gulgong

8.30pm Vigil - Mudgee

Saturday 25th December Christmas Day

7.30am Mass - Mudgee

9.00am Mass - Mudgee

9.00am Mass - Kandos

Sunday 26th December The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7.30am Mass - Mudgee

9.00am Mass - Mudgee

10.30am Mass - Gulgong

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.

Mudgee Roster
Saturday 27th / Sunday 28th November 2021

	Sat 6.00pm	Sun 9.00am	Sun 7.30am
Commentator	C. Furney	L. Croake	
First Reader	L. Nicholson	C. Devitt	
Second Reader	D. Cunningham	M. McLean	
Special Ministers of Communion	I. Byrne	M. Devitt	
Altar Servers			
Welcomers			
Counter	29th Nov	E. Goodlet	

Saturday 4th / Sunday 5th December 2021

	Sat 6.00pm	Sun 9.00am	Sun 7.30am
Commentator	K. Fitzsimmons	S. Abbey	M. Mclean
First Reader	I. Byrne	R. Disher	R. McKeown
Second Reader	L. Nicholson	L. Disher	
Special Ministers of Communion	D. Cunningham	M. Gilbert	P. Tracy
Altar Servers			
Welcomers			
Counters	6th Dec	L. Nicholson	

Gulgong Roster

Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
28th Nov	C. Gaudry	F. McConville	C. Holland
5th Dec	P. Leotta	B. Toole	R. Saliba
12th Dec	S. Parnell	C. Leotta	M. & E. Carney
19th Dec	E. Donnelly	O. O'Brien	E. Donnelly G. Ausburn

Pope's Universal Prayer for November
People Who Suffer from Depression
We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

DAY BY DAY

MONDAY - 22nd November
12.00 Noon Angelus

TUESDAY - 23rd November
9.30am Communion Service Mudgee
12 Noon Angelus

WEDNESDAY - 24th November
9.30am Communion Service Mudgee
12.00 Noon Angelus

THURSDAY - 25th November
9.30am Communion Service Mudgee
12.00 Noon Angelus

FRIDAY - 26th November
11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Mary's Mudgee
12.00 Noon Angelus and Rosary (Front of Church)
12 Noon Reconciliation (Back of Church)
12.30pm Communion Service Mudgee
1.00pm Josephites Christmas Lunch

SATURDAY - 27th November
11.00am Baptism
12.00 Noon Angelus
5.15-5.40pm Reconciliation (Back of Church)
6.00pm Vigil Mass Mudgee

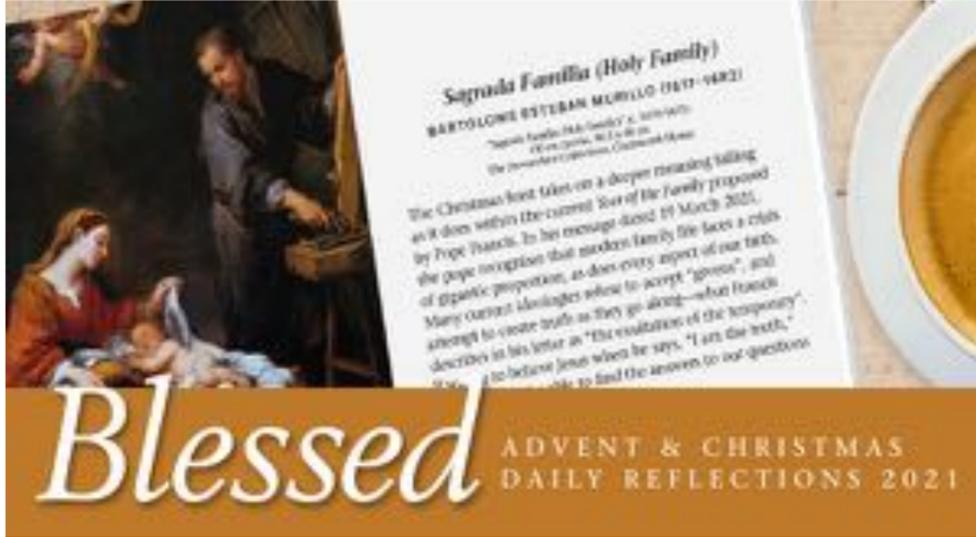
SUNDAY - 28th November
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR C
7.30am Mass Mudgee
9.00am Mass Mudgee
10.30am Mass Gulgong
11.00am Mass Rylstone
12.00 Noon Angelus
6.00pm Word and Faith Group

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.

Mass on time Wednesday's will change to 5.45pm from the 1st December.

With restrictions lifting, you no longer need to register to attend Mass in Mudgee on the weekends.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR C
Jer 33:14-16 Ps 24:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14. R. v.1 1 Thes 3:12 - 4:2 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



Advent & Christmas Daily Reflections books will be on sale after Mass this weekend. Cost \$5 per book.

Advent is a great opportunity to form or join groups such as a Word and Faith group to explore and discuss the Gospel.



Josephite Christmas Lunch
will follow the 12.30pm Communion Service on Friday 26th November in the Parish Centre. Please bring a plate to share.

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 2sqm** density limit must continue to be observed.
- QR code or manual register must continue to be used.
- Congregational singing is still not permitted.

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

Current Mass capacity:	
Mudgee	160 people
Gulgong	96 people
Kandos	100 people
Rylstone	80 people

With the new restrictions, there is no need to book in for mass

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 at the Parish Office for \$3 each. All proceeds will go to the parishes.



THE JOURNEY OF ADVENT

This weekend marks the end of the current liturgical year with the celebration of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Year B. Next week, we begin the season of Advent / Christmas and Year C of the liturgical calendar.

The time of Advent is the four week period of preparation for the season of Christmas. Advent begins the cycle of the Liturgical Year and focuses on the coming of the Lord. The first weeks offer a vision of the future, looking to the end of time when Christ will come again. The final weeks point more specifically to the birth of Christ. Christ, the promised one, is awaited with joyful expectation. The First Sunday of Advent follows the final Sunday of Ordinary Time and the season concludes on Christmas Eve.



GOSPEL FOCUS

Truth

Jesus says to Pilate that he came into the world 'to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.' That is where today's gospel passage finishes but as the gospel continues on, Pilate famously asks Jesus 'What is truth?' and the question is left dangling; unanswered. The truth Jesus has borne witness to is the truth of his whole life – the revelation of God's love for humanity. It is for proclaiming this truth that Jesus is placed on trial and is brought before Pilate.

Fr Owen and Fr Dong with all the Priest in our Diocese will be on retreat next week.

Year of St Joseph

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

