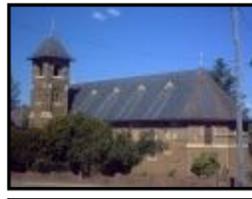


*The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!*



## 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.



### Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C - 27th February 2022

**First Reading:** [Sir 27:4-7](#)

*Do not praise someone before they have spoken.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** [Ps 91:2-3, 13-16](#). R. See v.2

**(R):** *Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.*

It is good to give thanks to the Lord  
to make music to your name, O Most High,  
to proclaim your love in the morning  
and your truth in the watches of the night. **(R.)**

The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **(R.)**

Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **(R.)**

**Second Reading:** [1 Cor 15:54-58](#)

*Victory has been given to us through Jesus Christ.*

**Gospel Acclamation:** [Phil 2:15-16](#)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;  
you are offering it the word of life.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel:** [Lk 6:39-45](#)

*A person speaks from  
what is in his heart.*



### REFLECTION by Michael Tate

In ancient Greece actors wore masks which concealed the face. One may say they were 'two-faced'. They were called 'Hypocrites', and we derive our word and the idea of 'hypocrite' from that. As did Jesus.

He could always see through the veneer which people (such as you and I) present to the outside world, and his gaze would (and still can) penetrate through to the heart – the core of the personality. For us, judging the heart of someone is fraught with risk. As Jesus humorously put it, how readily we see the smallest splinter of sawdust in someone else's eye, and in super-critical mode fail to see the plank of wood which impairs and distorts our vision. We should not rush to judgment.

The fact is that only the gaze of God can really penetrate to the heart of someone. We know that the gaze of Jesus, Who is God, is always a loving gaze visualising a heart open to salvation. (Mk 10:17-22)

This is one of the reasons why recent Popes have opposed capital punishment. Time must be given for the heart of the convicted criminal to respond to that loving gaze. And it leaves the Final Judgment, even of the murderer, to God.

Listen to the dying moments of Our Lord. His loving gaze penetrated beyond the masks and actions of his tormentors and focused on their hearts. Then he cried out this plea: 'Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.'

We are all conscious of the times we have fallen short of the practice and teaching of our Master despite our praying: 'Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.'

We could pause for a moment to pray that The Teacher's loving gaze fall upon us to make us whole-hearted disciples willing 'to be formed by divine teaching'.



**Parish Priest**

Fr Owen Gibbons

**Assistant Priest**

Fr Thao Van Nguyen

**Parish Deacon**

Deacon Charles Applin

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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/](http://www.stmattsmudgee.catholic.edu.au/)

**All Hallows Catholic School Gulgong:**

**Principal:** Mr Bradley Toole

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**Masses and prayers requested for the following.**

**For the recently deceased especially:**

Charlie Cojuangco, Val Adams,

**We remember the anniversaries of:** Richard Tompsett, Gloria Windle, Adriel Maloney, Elisa Fajarda, Jean Croake, John Babbage

**We also pray for:**

Alan Burns, Doug Rayner, Audrey Hill, Delma Zmak, Bonnie Berrell, Olga Bremer, Tony Yeo, Mary Magdalene Ho.

**Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time:** Graeme Warren, Paul Power, Tony Harris, Cherylanne Adamson, Howard Brady, Dianne Brown, John Cross, Tony & Mary Dimmock, Elizabeth Donnelly, Rodrigo Jaboneta, Molly Jenkins, Sue Kearins, Alicia Knights, Eleni Roberts, Barry Slater, Dyanna Thomeny, Carmel Thompson and all those in our Nursing Homes.

**Ash Wednesday Mass times**

2nd March 2022

St Matthews Infants and Primary Liturgy - 9.15am

Gulgong - 10.00am School and Parish

St Matthews Secondary Mass - 12.10pm

Rylstone - 11.30am

Mudgee - 6.00pm



**DAY BY DAY**

**MONDAY - 28th February**

12.00 Noon Angelus

**TUESDAY - 1st March**

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12 Noon Angelus

**WEDNESDAY - 2nd March**

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

9.15am St Matthews Infants and Primary Liturgy

10.00am Mass School and Gulgong Parish

11.30am Mass Rylstone

12.00 Noon Angelus

12.10pm St Matthews Secondary Mass

6.00pm Mass Mudgee

**THURSDAY - 3rd March**

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12.00 Noon Angelus

**FRIDAY - 4th March**

10.30am Mass Opal Nursing Home

12.00 Noon Angelus and Rosary (Front of Church)

12.00 Noon Reconciliation (Back of Church)

12.30pm Mass Mudgee

5.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Mary's Mudgee

**SATURDAY - 5th March**

11.00am Baptism

11.00am Graveside Funeral Service - Rylstone

12.00pm Angelus

1.00pm Wedding

5.15-5.40pm Reconciliation (Back of Church)

6.00pm Vigil Mass Mudgee

**SUNDAY - 6th March**

**NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C**

9.00am Mass Mudgee

10.30am Mass Gulgong

11.00am Mass Kandos

12.00 Noon Angelus

**6.00pm Word & Faith Group - Parish Centre**

**Anointing/ Home Communion:**

If you know of anyone who would like Anointing/ Home Communion, please ring the office.

Fr Owen and Fr Thao are available, and can visit at home or in hospital.

**Mudgee Roster**

**Saturday 5th/ Sunday 6th March 2022**

	<b>Sat 6.00pm</b>	<b>Sun 9.00am</b>
<b>Commentator</b>	L. Nicholson	L. Croake
<b>First Reader</b>	I. Byrne	J. O'Brien
<b>Second Reader</b>	P. Wilkinson	E. de Vries
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	J. Vros	P. O'Brien
<b>Counter</b>	<b>28th February</b>	M. Walker

**Saturday 12th / Sunday 13th March 2022**

	<b>Sat 6.00pm</b>	<b>Sun 9.00am</b>
<b>Commentator</b>	D. Cunningham	M. McLean
<b>First Reader</b>	L. Nicholson	M. Matthews
<b>Second Reader</b>	L. Ryan	A. Myles
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</b>	G. Hennessy	M. Dunnachie
<b>Counters</b>	<b>7th March</b>	L. Nicholson

**Gulgong Roster**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Commentator</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Sacristan</b>
<b>6 Mar</b>	S. Parnell	C. Leotta	M.&E. Carney
<b>13 Mar</b>	E. Donnelly	J. Ritar	G. Ausburn E. Donnelly
<b>20 Mar</b>	D. Kelly	E. Donnelly	C. Holland

Congratulations to:

*Joseph Maxwell Parks*  
and  
*Sarah Elizabeth Brindley*



who celebrate the sacrament of marriage this weekend

**Baptisms:** We welcome to the Parish community



*Ryker Jack Statham*

child of *Lewis and Brooke*

# Welcome

This weekend we welcome Fr Thao to the Parish communities of Gulgong, Kandos / Rylstone and Mudgee.

We will be have a cuppa after the Saturday 6pm Mass in Mudgee and after 10.30am Sunday Mass in Gulgong this weekend and after the 11am Mass in Kandos next weekend to welcome Fr Thao.

## GULGONG NEWS

*Gulgong Catholic Women's Group AGM*

Will be held 1st March 2022 at the convent. All positions will be made vacant. New members are most welcome.



World Day of Prayer

**AUSTRALIA**

**Friday 4th March**

**2022**

**7.00pm**

**St Mary's Mudgee**

"I know the plans I have for you". Jeremiah 29:11  
Come at join us and other christian churches in the World Day of Prayer.

Follow us on Instagram @risebathurstyouth

If you are in years 10, 11 and 12 come along!

**11th - 13th Of March 2022**

**PERTHVILLE**

**RISE**

ENGAGE IGNITE SEND

RISE BATHURST YOUTH PRESENTS

Register here

## St Mary's Mudgee Pastoral Council

Do you have a desire to be of service to our parish community?

Are you interested in the welfare of all parishioners?

Are you an active member of our Parish?

Are you willing to help our parish to grow?

Come and join our Pastoral Council.

We are looking for enthusiastic parishioners who are keen to promote the Church's mission to live and communicate the love and values of Christ in the world.

If you or someone you know are interested in the Pastoral Council, please contact Parish Office on 6372-2122 or email: office.mudgee@cdeb.org.au

## Ministries in our Parish Community

**It's not too late. Contact the Parish Office on 63722122.**

**Commentator**

**Vocalist**

**Catechists**

**Liturgy Group**



**Reader**

**Musician**

**Altar Service**

**HOSPITALITY**

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**

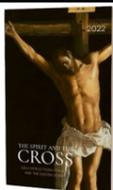
**PASTORAL COUNCIL**

**Bell Ringer**

**Sacramental Team**

### Lenten 2022 The Spirit and the Cross

The daily reflections, written by the Executive Director of Evangelisation Brisbane, Dcn Peter Pellicaan, invite the reader to contemplate a verse from the Scripture reading of the day, and offers questions for reflection and discussion. Books are \$5.00 each at the back of the Church or from the Parish Office. More books have been order and should arrive next week.



**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: First Sunday of Lent**

**Dt 26:4-10**

**Ps 90:1-2. 10-15. R. v.15**

**Rom 10:8-13**

**Lk 4:1-13**

## Catechist Sunday

27th February 2022

*" We plant seeds that will one day grow: We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise...*

*We provide yeast that produces effects beyond our capabilities...*

*We may never see the end results...*

*we are workers; not master builders; ministers; not messiahs."*



Catechist Sunday



## Project Compassion Sunday

26 & 27 February

Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations**. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations**.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413 or by donating directly to your Parish fund raising page

<https://fundraise.projectcompassion.org.au/stmaryofthepresentationmudgee>



## St Mary's Craft and Friendship Group, Mudgee Exhibition and Sale



When: Saturday 12th March, 2022

Time: 10am to 2pm

Entry Cost: Gold Coin donation. Morning Tea available

You will be able to view items the Ladies create, for sale twice a year. Monies raised are used to make yearly donation to various organisations in Mudgee.

**We ask that must are worn while at the exhibition and that you are fully vaccinated.**



The Catholic Diocese of Bathurst Church Life Survey invites all our Parish communities including adults,

youth, children and leaders to complete survey forms. These surveys help us to take time to reflect and review key areas of church life, by listening to the voices, experiences and views of our church attenders. The Church Life Survey includes an Attender Survey (paper survey form and online) for churchgoers aged 15 and over, as well as an option of a Child Survey for churchgoers aged 8 to 14 (paper survey form only).

- It should take you about 20 minutes to complete.
- Each attender is asked to fill in an Attender Survey once only.
- Attenders can use a smart device to go to [surveys.ncls.org.au](http://surveys.ncls.org.au) and log in using their NCLS Church Code. (English language only online).
- If you need any assistance please contact your Parish office.

**Child Survey:** [childsurvey.ncls.org.au](http://childsurvey.ncls.org.au)

**Parish codes:**

Mudgee	TAF01701	Kandos	TAF01401
Gulgong	TAF01301	Rylstone	TAF0140



### Topics being covered:

- **Current culture** and what's impacting our teens.
- What do you need to know about **social media**?
- How is **pornography** effecting individuals, relationships and society?
- What does it mean to **safeguard** your children?
- Tips for having important **conversations** with you children.
- Equipping the next generation to make healthy relationship decisions.

### COVID RESTRICTIONS

From Friday, 25th February 2022, masks will no longer be mandatory indoors in NSW. However, social distancing (remaining 1.5 metres apart) is still encouraged for indoor settings and where social distancing is not practicable, you are asked to wear a mask.

As it is important that we protect vulnerable people in our communities, and to ensure everyone feels protected when they come to worship, please continue to socially distance where possible inside the church and where this is not possible, please wear a mask.

Please also continue to use the hand sanitisers provided at the church entrances.