

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.



Second Sunday of Easter - Year C 24th April 2022

Divine Mercy



First Reading: [Acts 5:12-16](#)

The numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 117:2-4, 22-27. R. v.1](#)

(R): Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' **(R.)**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. **(R.)**

O Lord, grant us salvation;

O Lord grant success.

Blessed in the name of the Lord
is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;
the true God is our light. **(R.)**



Second Reading: [Rv 1:9-13, 17-19](#)

I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!
Alleluia!

Gospel: [Jn 20:19-31](#)

After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.

REFLECTION

 by Dianne Bergant CSA

The readings for the Sundays after Easter all provide mystagogical catechesis for the entire church, with a special emphasis for the newly baptised. This instruction is meant to help us recognise the presence of the Risen Lord in our midst. The overarching theme for the Second Sunday of Easter is the celebration of this presence in several manifestations.

While we might seek some obvious, tangible manifestation, each reading speaks of the presence of Christ in a way that we would not expect Christ to be present. He is there in the very throes of sickness, in fear and doubt, in the celebration of the liturgy. These presences challenge us to go beneath appearances, beneath the mundane and banal of life, and there discover the risen Lord in personal mystical experience, in the ministry of the believing community, and in the transformative possibilities of the liturgy.

Experiences of the Risen Lord are not reserved for extraordinarily holy people. Any one of us can be invited into a deep personal encounter when we least expect it, in the most unlikely places, with effects that overwhelm us. In fact, the Risen Christ is always just around the next corner, eager to enter our lives with the transforming power of the resurrection. Being part of a community of believers in prayer can be one of the most profound religious experiences. It not only transforms the present, but it also entrusts us with a vision of what is yet to be, an eschatological hope for a glorious future.

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

Closed for Lunch 1.00pm - 2.00pm

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St Matthews Catholic School Mudgee:

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All Hallows Catholic School Gulgong:

Principal: Mr Bradley Toole

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Baptisms: We welcome to the Parish community

Eli James Copeland

son of Mark and Kirstin
and

Holly Mae Bryant

daughter of Mathew and Meg



Congratulations to



Marco Curro

who will receive the Blessed Eucharist for the first time.

DAY BY DAY



MONDAY - 25th April

ANZAC DAY

9.00am Mass

12.00 Noon Angelus

TUESDAY - 26th April

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12.00 Noon Angelus

WEDNESDAY - 27th April

10.00am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group

12.00 Noon Angelus

5.45pm Mass Mudgee

THURSDAY - 28th April

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12.00 Noon Angelus

FRIDAY - 29th April

11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Mudgee

12.00 Noon Angelus and Rosary (Front of Church)

12.00 Noon Reconciliation (Back of Church)

12.30pm Mass Mudgee

6.00pm Ordination to Diaconate for Nam Dinh Le at The Cathedral of St Michaels & St John.

SATURDAY - 30th April

11.00am Baptism - Mudgee

6.00pm Vigil Mass - Mudgee

SUNDAY - 1st May

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

9.00am Mass - Mudgee

10.30am Mass -Gulgong

11.00am Mass - Kandos

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 30th April/ Sunday 1st May 2022

	Sat 6.00pm	Sun 9.00am
Commentator	D.Cunningham	L. Croake
First Reader	S. Walker	R. McKeown
Second Reader	B. Slatter	E. de Vries
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	J. Vros	R. Croake
Offortery		M.Dunnachie
Counter	Tues 26th	M. Walker

Saturday 7th / Sunday 8th May 2022

	Sat 6.00pm	Sun 9.00am
Commentator	B. Petersen	A. Abbey
First Reader	O. O'Brien	M. Dunnachie
Second Reader	K. O'Brien	J. Wilkinson
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	G. Hennessy	A. Myles
Offortery		
Counter	Mon 2nd	E. Goodlet

Gulgong Roster

Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
24 Apr	D. Kelly	M. Bannister	R. Saliba
1 May	E. Donnelly	E. Donnelly	R. Saliba
8 May	R. Saliba	B. Toole	M.&E. Carney

RETURN OF MINISTRIES

Offortery Processing and Altar Serving will be returning to all parishes and Children's Liturgy will be returning to St Mary's Mudgee.



If you would like to assist with these ministries, please call the Parish office on 6372 2122.

BELL RINGERS NEEDED

St Mary's, Mudgee need bell ringers to help with ringing the bell for the Angelus each day. Training will be provided.

If you are available to help, please contact the Parish office on 6372 2122.



PRAYER FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE IN UKRAINE

*God of peace and justice,
who change the hardened heart
and break the power of violence,
we entrust the people of the Ukraine to you.*

*Protect them in this time of peril;
let them know not death but life,
not slavery but freedom.*

*You are Father of all;
we are brothers and sisters.
Give us the strength
to live that truth in love,
choosing peace not war.
Through Christ our Lord.*

Amen.

**Celebrating 100 years of Catholic Education at
St Michael's Dunedoo**

Saturday 30 April 2022: Welcome, Blessing of Centenary Garden, digging up the 1988 time capsule, cutting of the centenary cake, afternoon tea

Sunday 1 May 2022: St Michael's Centenary Mass, burying 2022 time capsule, BBQ lunch

During the weekend our classrooms will be open for all visitors. Photos and memorabilia will be in the school hall as well.

All are welcome to the Sports Club, Bowling Club or Dunedoo Hotel on Saturday night to chat with old schoolmates, old friends and new friends.

We are looking forward to celebrating this achievement with you and the St Michael's community.

Please RSVP to St Michael's School 02 63 751387 or stmichaelsdunedoo@bth.catholic.edu.au by 26 April 2022 for Sunday's catering.

Safe Church Awareness Workshop

Safe Church Workshops are informative, engaging and interactive and are designed to raise everyone's understanding and awareness of Christian foundations of safe ministry, duty of care, vulnerable people protection (abuse prevention), due diligence in recruiting and supervising church leaders, and risk management. This program is for everyone who participates in a ministry in our Parishes. The accreditation is for three years. Our next workshop will be held in Mudgee towards the end of July.

Safe Church Awareness Accreditation is only valid for three years. Anyone who did the course in 2019 are now due to renew their accreditation this year.

Please contact the Parish office 6372 2122 to register.

Masses and prayers requested for the following.

For the recently deceased especially:

Anthony Furney, Robert Simpson, Fr Reg Callinan.

We remember the anniversaries of:

John Fitzpatrick, Sharon Forst, Joseph Hope, Barry Rheinberger, Lorna Malone, Tom Hundy, Barbara Muller, Leo Tobin, Peter Byrnes, Rose Roberts, Cath Quinn, Brian Croake.

We also pray for:

Varega Family, Kiddle Family, Kim Stevens, Val Adams, Charlie Cojuangco, Mary Dimmock, Greg Toohey (Narromine), Owen Milton, Malcolm Whiteley, Bradley Quinn, Philip Gaffney, Bede O'Brien, Janine Wishart nee Lawson.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time:, Audrey Stocks (Bathurst), Bernard Norris, Lesley Wolfe, Paul Power, Graeme Warren, Tony Harris, Marjorie Curran, Cherylanne Adamson, Howard Brady, Dianne Brown, John Cross, Sue Kearins, Tony Dimmock, Elizabeth Donnelly, Barry Slater, Rodrigo Jaboneta, Molly Jenkins, Alicia Knights, Eleni Roberts, Dyanna Thomeny, Mary Canon, Carmel Thompson and all those in our Nursing Homes. Those seeking Special Intentions and for all the Holy Souls.

Have you thought? – Does he mean us?

When Thomas made his declaration of faith, Jesus said, 'You believe because you can see me. Happy (or Blessed) are those who have not seen and yet believe.' (v29) Because this gospel was written 60 years or so after the time of Jesus, there were indeed many who believed but had not ever seen him. The blessing is on all those who believe without the benefit of a physical encounter of Jesus. Whilst the gospel was written as an acknowledgement of those at the end of the 1st Century, it is also a blessing and encouragement for believers of today!

MUDGEE CLASSIC is on Sunday 2nd May.

There will be Road Closures in place. Church St will be closed from 4am to 9am.

The church can accessed via Market St.



Ordination to Diaconate of Nam Dinh Le

Friday 29th April at 6pm

in the Cathedral of St Michael & St John
Mudgee Parish office will close at 3pm.

Pope's Universal Prayers 2022 April

Health Care Workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Third Sunday of Easter - Year C

Acts 5:27-32. 40-41

Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2

Rv 5:11-14

Jn 21:1-19

WORD and *Faith* Group

is a small group of people gathered together to read and reflect upon the scripture readings for next Sunday.

The group gathers on a Monday evening at 5:00pm in the Parish Centre for an hour to read, reflect and share each others thoughts and ideas on the next Sunday's readings.

If you are interested in joining the group please contact the Parish Office on (02) 6372 2122 for further details.



**Happy Easter
from all at Caritas Australia!**

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

**Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's
Project Compassion 2022 Lenten
appeal.**

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, by calling 1800 024 413 or by donating directly to your Parish fund raising page. <https://fundraise.projectcompassion.org.au/stmaryofthepresentationmudgee>.

GULGONG NEWS

The GCWG Street Stall results

Raffle Winner - Jane Stanford



100 Club No. 1 1st prize - Liz Martin
 2nd prize - Margaret Wickwood
 3rd prize - Angela Kelly

100 Club No. 2 1st prize - Ken Hendry
 2nd prize - Ann McLean
 3rd prize - Ann Cudd



Our thanks to all who support us.



MUDGEE NEWS

Saturday Night vigil Mass will move to 5pm on the 7th May.

Start where you are.

Use what you have.

Do what you can.

Arthur Ashe

It's that time of year again... It's time to [register](#) for RISE!

We are excited to announce that [Gen Bryant](#) Melbourne based singer and songwriter will be at RISE.



It's on **Thursday 14 July and Friday 15 July 2022.** (Please note the change of date)

Drop off and sign in will be at **10:00am Thursday** at **St Philomena's School** (65 Lloyds Rd, South Bathurst) (RISEN Youth Team members will arrive at Bathurst Goldfields at 12noon Wed 13 July.) Accommodation will be at **Bathurst Goldfields** (all transport will be provided)

Pick up will be at **3pm Friday** at **Cathedral Primary School** (98 George St, Bathurst)

Cost is **\$119** or \$149 if you'd like a hoodie. (If you paid for RISE 2021 all you need to pay is \$30 if you'd like a hoodie). This year's hoodie colour will be.....revealed if you complete the Confirmation survey at the end of this email.

Join the fun by registering here <https://forms.gle/uqHvT2my1J3SKUsB8> (RISEN Youth Team do not need to register again).

Get more information from your Youth Minister, Parish Priest, REC or our [website](#)

Want to go into the draw to win a RISE bucket hat (and find out the colour of the hoodie)? Fill in this short [survey](#) about the Sacrament of Confirmation (you don't have to be Confirmed to fill it in).

Looking forward to seeing you at RISE 2022! (Don't forget to invite your friends)



COVID RESTRICTIONS

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.