

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.



Third Sunday of Easter - Year C 1st May 2022

First Reading: [Acts 5:27-32. 40-41](#)

We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2](#)

(R): *I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.*

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,
restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. (R.)

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,
give thanks to his holy name.
His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.
At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. (R.)

The Lord listened and had pity.
The Lord came to my help.
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R.)

Second Reading: [Rv 5:11-14](#)

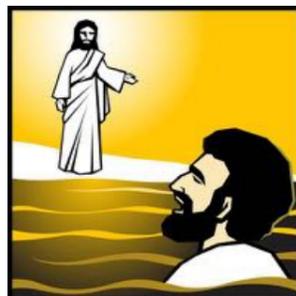
*The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power,
wealth, glory, and blessing.*

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation;
he has shown pity on all people.
Alleluia!

Gospel: [Jn 21:1-19](#)

*Jesus stepped forward, took the
bread and gave it to them, and did
the same with the fish.*



REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we concentrate on the different ways that the witness of the community of faith manifests the Lord – the apostolic witness of leadership and service that is accomplished by the various ministries within the church. While today's gospel singles out Peter as a leader within the community, in no way does this mean that such providential care for the church is the sole responsibility of authorised leaders. Rather, it is the responsibility of all the baptised.

In their teaching and preaching, the apostles moved from one understanding of God's presence and activity in the midst of the people to another. This new understanding had the death and resurrection of Jesus at its core. The light of the resurrection illumined their former religious convictions and aspirations, and they were undeterred in their commitment to spread this good news, this new word, this transforming light.

A martyr is a witness, one who is so committed, that that person is willing to suffer any consequence, even death, in order to be faithful. The apostles rejoiced that they had been found worthy of ill-treatment for the sake of the name of Jesus. The Lamb who is exalted is the one who was slain, and Peter is told that, like his master, he will pay for his commitment with his life. Even the psalm alludes to the suffering that must be endured by those who have chosen to be faithful. This kind of steadfastness has always been a persuasive witness.

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"A first fruits of the goodness we sow appears in ourselves and our daily lives, even in our little acts of kindness."

Pope Francis



DAY BY DAY

MONDAY - 2nd May

10.30am Funeral - Marj Curran
12.00 Noon Angelus

TUESDAY - 3rd May

9.30am Mass Mudgee
11.00am Funeral - James Bulinski
12.00 Noon Angelus

WEDNESDAY - 4th May

10.00am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group
12.00 Noon Angelus
5.45pm Confirmation Enrolment and Commitment Parent Session with Mass
5.45pm Mass Mudgee

THURSDAY - 5th May

9.30am Mass Mudgee
12.00 Noon Angelus

FRIDAY - 6th May

11.00am Funeral - Mary Cannon
12.00 Noon Angelus and Rosary (Front of Church)
12.00 Noon Reconciliation (Back of Church)
12.30pm Mass Mudgee
12.30pm Confirmation Enrolment and Commitment Parent Session with Mass
5.30pm Holy Hour

SATURDAY - 7th May

11.00am Baptism - Mudgee
2.00pm Wedding
4.15pm Reconciliation
5.00pm Vigil Mass - Mudgee

SUNDAY - 8th May

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9.00am Mass - Mudgee
10.30am Mass -Gulgong
11.00am Mass - Rylstone

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 7th/ Sunday 8th May 2022

	Sat 5.00pm	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
Offertory		Children's Liturgy
Counter	Mon 2nd	E. Goodlet

Saturday 14th / Sunday 15th May 2022

	Sat 5.00pm	Sun 9.00am
Commentator	D.Cunningham	M. Matthews
First Reader	I.Byrne	L. Croake
Second Reader	P. Wilkinson	M. McEan
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	J. Vros	R. Croake
Offertory		Children's Liturgy
Counter	Mon 11th	D. Donnelly

Gulgong Roster

Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
1 May	E. Donnelly	E. Donnelly	R. Saliba
8 May	R. Saliba	B. Toole	M.&E. Carney
15 May	C. Gaudry	R. Saliba	E. Donnelly & G. Ausburn

RETURN OF MINISTRIES

Offertory 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.

CONFIRMATION 2022

Confirmation completes Baptism, by which in the laying on of hands and the anointing with Chrism Oil, which first happened at Baptism, we are confirmed with the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

You have the joy of being the first educators of your children in the gift of faith and our Parish offers support to your families, at this important time.

If you intend for your child to be Confirmed you are invited to attend a Commitment Mass followed by an information session where you may commit and enrol your child in the Confirmation 2022 programme. The Commitment Mass and sessions are on the following dates:

WEDNESDAY 4th MAY

Commitment Mass 5.30pm, followed by a Confirmation Enrolment and Commitment Parent Session

FRIDAY 6th MAY

Commitment Mass 12.30pm, followed by a Confirmation Enrolment and Commitment Parent Session

RSVP TO EITHER SESSION NOW

<https://forms.gle/sGsP8RGHkGqhxzcu9>

Masses and prayers requested for the following.

For the recently deceased especially:

John Boyd-Skinner, Jenny Barclay, Peter Rayner, Marj Curran, James Bulinski, Mary Cannon

We remember the anniversaries of:

Alice Boyd-Skinner, Jacqueline Pithie, Janice Martyn, Joyce Gallagher, Ray Williamson, Min Mealy, Barry Simpson, Stephen Reed, Jean Lee.

We also pray for:

Miriam Byrns, Anthony Furney, Robert Simpson, Fr Reg Callinan. Varega Family, Kiddle Family, Kim Stevens, Val Adams, 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.

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.

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.

Pope's Universal Prayers 2022 May Faith-Filled Young People

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

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.

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

Good Shepherd Sunday Giving

Good Shepherd Sunday will be celebrated on 8 May this year. It's an opportunity to thank God for our priests, who lead the mission of our local church in the parishes. Their ministry is unique and indispensable. On Good Shepherd Sunday, we look to those who will serve our Diocese as priests in the future: our eight seminarians. Some are nearing the end of the long journey of formation and discernment; others are just beginning. We must never give up on our earnest prayer that more young men will hear and answer God's call to leave everything and follow him. Every year, we have a special collection to cover the cost of the investment in our seminarians' training. This year, the annual bill will be more than \$250,000. We ask for ongoing support with your prayers, your participation in the work of our church and your financial contributions.

A collection will be taken after Mass next weekend. There are envelopes available at the back of the church.



MUDGEE NEWS

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

Laudato Si' Week 16 to 24 May 2022

Laudato Si' Week, a celebration of Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si' and a call to action for Catholics around the world. Why are the dates for the celebration of Laudato Si' Week in Australia different from those on the international Laudato Si' Week website? Last May the Australian Bishops decided to celebrate Laudato Si' Week from 16 – 24 May during each year of their seven-year Laudato Si' Action Plan journey. These dates allow both Laudato Si' Week, and National Reconciliation Week from 27 May – 3 June, to be celebrated appropriately by Australian Catholics.

CELEBRATING LAUDATO SI' WEEK 2022

Laudato Si' Week 2022

The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together ... for we know things can change

LAUDATO SI', N 13

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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.