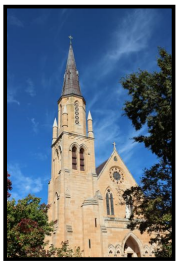


The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!



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.



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C 17TH JULY 2022

First Reading: [Gen 18:1-10](#)

Lord, do not bypass your servant.

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1](#)

(R): The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?

He who walks without fault;

he who acts with justice

and speaks the truth from his heart;

he who does not slander with his tongue. **(R.)**

He who does no wrong to his brother,

who casts no slur on his neighbour,

who holds the godless in disdain,

but honours those who fear the Lord. **(R.)**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;

who takes no interest on a loan

and accepts no bribes against the innocent.

Such a man will stand firm for ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading: [Col 1:24-28](#)

The mystery hidden for centuries has now been revealed to his saints.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart

and yield a harvest through perseverance.

Alleluia!

Gospel: [Lk 10:38-42](#)

Martha took up the duties in the house. Mary chose the better part.



REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Today we see the people of God offering the hospitality rather than receiving it, first Abraham and then Martha. What lessons of discipleship can be learned from these readings?

First and foremost we see how important openness is, for in each case those to whom the hospitality was offered were divine visitors in human form. We can never be sure under what guise God will come to us. It could be the person on the street who asks for directions, or the one who comes to our place of work to engage the service that we provide. It may be the friend who comes to dinner or the co-worker who acts in a way we did not expect. God comes into our lives in unexpected ways and we must have an open attitude of hospitality if we are to receive the blessings that might come with such visits.

We know that we cannot lay aside the responsibilities of our lives in order to sit with Mary at the feet of Jesus. However, we cannot allow ourselves to be held captive by these responsibilities, regardless of how legitimate they may be. And so we continue to struggle; to carry the burdens that are ours for the sake of the people that we serve; to serve the people in our care realising that we will probably not be able to accomplish all of our tasks or at least as well as we would like. It is in this way that the reign of God struggles to be born.

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First Holy Communion Parishioner Prayer

Lord,
 We pray for the young children in our parish community as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.
 Help us to show witness and example to them as they learn more about you and our church through our community.
 Amen!



Congratulations to:

Abigail Catherine Freeman

who will be Confirmed this weekend.

Baptism: We welcome to the Parish community in Mudgee



Mollie May Power
 son of Daniel & Kate
 and
Oliver Stephen Saxby
 son of Jayson & Jane

DAY BY DAY

MONDAY -18th July

12.00 Noon Angelus

TUESDAY - 19th July

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12.00 Noon Angelus

WEDNESDAY - 20th July

10.00am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group

12.00 Noon Angelus

5.45pm Mass Mudgee

THURSDAY - 21st July

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12.00 Noon Angelus

FRIDAY - 22nd July

11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.00 Noon Angelus and Rosary (Front of Church)

12.00 Noon Reconciliation (Back of Church)

12.30pm Mass Mudgee

6.00pm New Parishioner Dinner

SATURDAY - 23rd July

11.00am Baptism

4.15pm Reconciliation

5.00pm Vigil Mass - Mudgee

SUNDAY -24th July

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BIBLE SUNDAY

GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY SUNDAY

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 23rd / Sunday 24th July 2022

	Sat 5.00pm	Sun 9.00am
Commentator	D.Cunningham	M. Matthews
First Reader	I. Byrne	S. Abbey
Second Reader	P. Wilkinson	M. McLean
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	J. Vros	R. Gawthorne
Altar Server	N. Witheriff A. Egan	Portelli Family
Music	Rachel & Choir	Ruth & Marianne
Offertory	Help Needed	Children's Liturgy
Counter	Mon 18th July	P. O'Brien

Mudgee Roster
 Saturday 30th / Sunday 31st July 2022

	Sat 5.00pm	Sun 9.00am
Commentator	B. Petersen	M. McLean
First Reader	B. Slater	N. Whitmore
Second Reader	S. Walker	J. Wilkinson
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	L. Nicholson	M. Dunnachie
Altar Server		
Music	Ruella & Choir	Jerry & Choir
Offertory	Help Needed	Children's Liturgy
Counter	Mon 25th July	M. Walker

Gulgong Roster

Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
17 Jul	S. Parnell	J. Thatcher	C. Holland
24 Jul	C. Gaudry	O. O'Brien	R. Saliba
31 Jul	E. Donnelly	D. Hudson	M.&E. Carney

Masses and prayers requested for the following.

For the recently deceased especially:

Paul Power

We remember the anniversaries of:

Doris Carroll, Hugh Lenard, Nola Brand, Ron Phillips, Kathleen Windle, Liliana Diaz, John Little, Robert McKid, Christopher Hibbed, Val Rheinberger, Ellen Lucas, Una Day, Heste Morgan, Brian Bennett, Olive James, Mary Miles, Michael Price, Catherine O'Meara, David Malone, Margaret Farrell, Christine Gibson, Irena Karkocha.

We also pray for:

Olive Milton, James Milton, Ivy Sproule, Bradley Quinn, Malcom Whiteley, Dave Doyle, Eduardo M Cojuangco Jr, Rodney Fitler, Mattie Gardiner, Isabell Miles, Ivan Brec, Graeme Warren, Bernice King, Joan Hardie, Timothy Hundy.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time:

Jeff Jones, Anthony Walsh, Bernard Norris, Tony Harris, Sue Kearins, Cherylanne Adamson, John Cross, Howard Brady, Dianne Brown, Alicia Knights, Tony Dimmock, Eleni Roberts, Elizabeth Donnelly, Barry Slater, Molly Jenkins, Rodrigo Jaboneta, Dyanna Thomeny, Carmel Thompson and all those in our Nursing Homes.



FIFTH PLENARY COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA

Thank you to all who led, took part, contributed and supported the Members of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia second assembly.

The four-year journey of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia has now concluded. At this final assembly, the 277 Council Members considered the motions that have emerged from that national journey, with the goal of renewing the life and mission of the Church in Australia.

'To God, everything is possible'
Mark 10:23-27

<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

Mary MacKillop Feast Day Celebrations 2022

[Mary MacKillop Place](#) and the [Sisters of Saint Joseph](#) extend a warm invitation to celebrate the Feast Day of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop on Monday, 8 August 2022.

“After two years of disruption due to COVID, we look forward to welcoming pilgrims and supporters to Mary MacKillop Place in North Sydney,” says Sr Monica Cavanagh, Congregational Leader of the Sisters of Saint Joseph.

“Mary MacKillop Place is a site unlike any other because Mary lived, died and is buried here.”

Visitors will have the opportunity to visit the Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel, attend Mass, pray at St Mary’s tomb, and visit the Mary MacKillop Museum. Mary MacKillop memorabilia, ethica Peruvian products, and light refreshments will be on sale.

When: Monday, 8 August 2022

Where: Mary MacKillop Place

Pedestrian and Wheelchair access: 80 William Street, North Sydney

Wheelchair access: Via the Museum Gates, 7 Mount Street, North Sydney

Mass times: 8:00am, 10:00am and 1:00pm

Chapel opening time: 9:00am to 3:30pm (The Chapel will be open for private prayer and visits to Mary MacKillop’s tomb)

Museum opening time: 9:00am to 3:30pm (On Feast Day, Mary MacKillop Place offers free admission to the Museum so that pilgrims may explore the story of Mary MacKillop and the foundation of the Sisters of Saint Jose

Gift Shop & Café opening time: 9:00am to 3:30pm

After much planning and preparation on site, and hard work by Sisters, staff and volunteers, we look forward to welcoming you.

**World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly
24th July 2022**

‘They shall bear fruit even in old age’ Ps 92:15

Pope Francis established the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, celebrated each year on the fourth Sunday of July to coincide with the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, to emphasise the pastoral care of the elderly as a priority.





YEAR 12 PRAYER PARTNERS

Calling on all parishioners that would like to be a Prayer Partner to one of our current Year 12 cohort.

If you are interested, please put your name and contact number on the Year 12 Prayer Partners list at the back of the church.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Like so much of the Gospel of Luke, this week's passage is, at its heart, all about hospitality. This theme has featured in the gospel readings for the last couple of weeks. It is a theme that the writer returns to over and over again throughout the gospel to reinforce not only the importance of welcoming the message of Jesus, but also the extravagantly generous hospitality and welcome that God extends to all people.

Taken at a literal level, this week's gospel passage can be a problematic one. Jesus is dining at the house of Martha and she busies herself trying to be a good host and serving her guest, while her sister, Mary, simply sits and enjoys the company of Jesus. Martha complains about her sister's apparent laziness and finds herself chastised by Jesus.

On the surface, Martha is doing the right thing: providing hospitality for her guest. Yet Mary is the one whose actions are affirmed. Like in the parable of the Good Samaritan last week, the gospel writer reminds us that being preoccupied with one's duty – even in service of God – is not what God desires. Martha has forgotten that the guest is also a gift! Having welcomed and shown appropriate hospitality to her guest, Martha should have then accepted the gift of the guest, that is, the company and presence of the welcome guest. Instead she continues to busy herself with serving while her sister shows true welcome: accepting the gift of the guest's company.

When we welcome a guest into our house, we can be too worried about impressing the guest with lavish hospitality and our best serving ware, rather than relaxing and enjoying the company of the guest. Like Martha, we can overlook the fact that God is present when we welcome a guest.

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"Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things."

Luke 10:41

SAFE CHURCH AWARENESS WORKSHOP

Being a safe church is everyone's responsibility and that is why the Diocese and Parishes have committed to providing parishioners and employees free Safe Church Awareness Workshops. 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.

It is advised that any parishioner that has a ministry in the any of our parishes should complete this workshop. Anyone who has completed the workshop previously would be due to update their credentials.

THIS IS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS IN AND AROUND THE OUR PARISHES OF MUDGE, GULGONG, KANDOS / RYLSTONE

When: Sunday, 24th July 2022

Time: 10am to 3.30pm

Venue: St Mary's Parish Hall

Cost: FREE for anyone who belongs to the Catholic Diocese of Bathurst

Please register at <https://forms.gle/rqPXwfdmdD5yu41F9>

or called the parish office on (02) 6372-2122 or sign up forms are available at the back of the St Mary's church.