

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.



TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C 18TH SEPTEMBER 2022 CENTACARE SUNDAY

First Reading: [Am 8:4-7](#)

The Lord God spoke against those who buy the poor for money.

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 112:1-2. 4-8. R. see vv.1. 7](#)

(R.) Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed
both now and for evermore! (R.)

High above all nations is the Lord,
above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God,
who has risen on high to his throne
yet stoops from the heights to look down,
to look down upon heaven and earth? (R.)

From the dust he lifts up the lowly,
from the dungheap he raises the poor
to set him in the company of princes,
yes, with the princes of his people. (R.)

Second Reading: [1 Tm 2:1-8](#)

Let prayers be offered to God for everyone; he wants all people to be saved.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you
rich out of his poverty.
Alleluia!

Gospel: [Lk 16:1-13](#)

You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.



REFLECTION by Greg Sunter

We return again to the Lukan theme of money and how it can get in the way of being a true disciple. This week's gospel passage reminds us that we cannot be a follower of God and chase after riches at the same time. That parable of the steward and his master is one that is rarely quoted and would be unfamiliar to most readers. The actions of the steward upon learning that he is to be dismissed seem to us to be evidence of his dubious dealings and yet the master praises his astuteness.

When a steward entered into loans and deals on behalf of his master, he would build into the repayment a profit for himself. This was quite normal and acceptable. So the amount that the steward asks the debtors to reduce their debts to the master is actually the cut that he had built into the deal for himself. His actions are, surprisingly, quite noble and legitimate. What he is doing is ensuring that his master receives all that is owed to him whilst the steward is making himself more popular with the debtors because they don't have to pay back as much. It would be like a modern day salesman saying that he would forego his commission on the sale so that the purchaser didn't have to pay as much.

But why does Jesus use this parable? He makes the point that when the crunch comes – when the kingdom of God is imminent – monetary wealth is going to be meaningless. It is best to cut your losses and turn your energy to building relationships rather than riches.

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Mudgee Roster Saturday 24th / Sunday 25th September 2022			
	Sat 5.00pm	Sun 9.00am	
Commentator	D. Cunningham	L. Croake	
First Reader	S. Walker	E. de Vries	
Second Reader	C. Furney	M. Dunnachie	
Extraordinary Minister of Communion	I. Byrne	R. Croake	
Altar Server	W. Forster	S. Keaton	
Music	Rachel & Choir	Ruth & Marianne	
Welcomer	HELP NEEDED	G. Stokes	
Offertory	HELP NEEDED	Children's Liturgy	
Counter	Mon 19th Sept	R. Croake	
Mudgee Roster Saturday 1st / Sunday 2nd October 2022			
	Sat 5.00pm	Sun 9.00am	
Commentator	B. Petersen	M. Matthews	
First Reader	I. Byrne	M. Price	
Second Reader	P. Wilkinson	M. McLean	
Extraordinary Minister of Communion	G. Hennessy	R. Gawthorne	
Altar Server	N. McLean	B. Hay	
Music	Rue & Choir	Jerry & Choir	
Welcomer	HELP NEEDED	M. Dunnachie	
Offertory	HELP NEEDED	Children's Liturgy	
Counter	Mon 26th Sept	P. O'Brien	
Gulgong Roster			
Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
25 Sep	D. Kelly	J. Ritar	R. Saliba
2nd Oct	P. Leotta	E. Donnelly	M & E Carney
9th Oct	S. Parnell	M. McGregor	E. Donnelly & G. Ausburn

Mass - Thursday 22nd September will be offered for Queen Elizabeth II. Mass will be followed by a Morning Tea.
All Welcome.



**FIRST RECONCILIATION
PARENT/CARERS
COMMITMENT AND
INFORMATION SESSIONS**
Tuesday 20th September 12.30pm
5.30pm
In the Church
Change of date due to Public Holiday

DAY BY DAY

MONDAY - 19th September
12.00 Noon Angelus

TUESDAY - 20th September
9.30am Mass
12.00 Noon Angelus
12.30pm - First Reconciliation Parent Meeting - St Mary's
5.30pm - First Reconciliation Parent Meeting - St Mary's

WEDNESDAY - 21st September
9.30am * Please Note *** Mass Mudgee**
10.00am Year 12 and Prayer Partner Morning Tea
10.00am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group
12.00 Noon Angelus
5.15pm St Matthews Year 12 Graduation Mass - At School

THURSDAY - 22nd September
Public Holiday - National Day of Mourning for Her Majesty The Queen
9.30am Mass Mudgee offered for Queen Elizabeth.
Please join us for a cuppa after mass.
12.00 Noon Angelus
6.00pm Parish Council Meeting

FRIDAY - 23rd September
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

SATURDAY - 24th September
Flavours of Mudgee
10.00am Baptism
4.15pm Reconciliation
5.00pm Vigil Mass - Mudgee

SUNDAY - 25th September
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9.00am Mass - Mudgee
10.30am Mass - Gulgong
11.00am Mass - Rylstone
5.00pm Word & Faith - Parish Centre. All Welcome

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.

Baptism: We welcome to the Parish community in Mudgee



Jemima Joy Flora Marsh
and
William Brian Michael Marsh

children of Trent and Samantha

Masses and prayers requested for the following.

For the recently deceased especially:

Irene Longhurst, Bernadette Mahon, Jamal Khoury, Joan Paine, Malcolm Petrie, Laurence McGuinness and Queen Elizabeth II.

We remember the anniversaries of:

Timothy Loneragan, Vena Robinson, Daniel Morris, Rosemary Douglas, Mark Davies, Harry Forcha

We also pray for:

Michael Azar, Bob Prowse, Marea Cox, Russell Lutchini, Barry Slater, Rex Donnelly, Helen Shearman, Craig Lynch, Jeff Jones, Paul Flynn.

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

Debra O'Loughlin, John Carney, Dennis Petersen, Joe Saliba, Tony Spina, Geoffrey Munn, Gwen Ausburn, Tony Harris, John Cross, Dianne Brown, Molly Jenkins, Howard Brady, Alicia Knights, Tony Dimmock, Elizabeth Donnelly, Rodrigo Jaboneta, Dyanna Thomeny, Carmel Thompson and all those in our Nursing Homes.

Those seeking Special Intentions and for all the Holy Souls.

Congratulations to:



Rory Carter
Sophia Kelly
Baxter Kelly
Harrison French
Angus Kelly
Alfie Hudson
Darcy Kurtz
Patrick Cassidy
Lauren Forester
Grace Ainsworth
Maggie McCarney

who will receive First Holy Communion this weekend in Mudgee.

Congratulations to:

Charlotte Morris

who will receive First Holy Communion this weekend in Kandos.

Congratulations to:



Nicholas Morris

who will be Confirmed this weekend in Kandos.

20-22 OCTOBER 2022

evangelise

ENCOUNTER
DISCIPLESHIP
MISSION

The Australian Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry will host a national online conference on evangelisation from October 20-22.

The conference, drawing on the Commission's mandate, will promote understanding and explore practices of evangelisation in Australia through encounters with Christ, formation in discipleship, and mission in the world. It seeks to empower Catholics to carry forward the Church's evangelising mission after the second assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia.

"Evangelisation begins with an encounter with Jesus Christ, is nurtured through discipleship in our worshipping communities and calls us all to be missionary in the world," Archbishop Christopher Prowse.

Use the address below to register:

<https://eventfrog.eventsair.com/evangelise-conference/conf22>



Heart of Life

Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation

'Walking with Wisdom Series' (in person or via Zoom), 4 x Thursdays, 6-27 October 2022, 10am-12.30pm. This series offers a time to explore the depths of wisdom in our own heart, to recognise wisdom in the encounter with another ... to dwell in the Heart of Contemplation. Led by spiritual directors Carole Carmody rsm and Julie Adam. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope St, Malvern VIC.

Cost \$30 per session or \$100 for the series.

Book and pay via www.heartoflife.melbourne, email office@heartoflife.melbourne, or tel (03) 9890 1101.

Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, 22nd September 2022
6.00pm in the Parish Centre.

Reading for Next Sunday: THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

Am 6:1. 4-7

Ps 145:6-10. R. v.2

1 Tm 6:11-16

Lk 16:19-31



Centacare Sunday Prayer

God of grace and mercy

We pray for those we support prayerfully and financially.

We pray for everyone touched by generosity and we bring to you our intentions for those who receive Centacare's services, that they may experience them as merciful and transformative.

Meriful God, we pray for Centacare staff who compassionately provide services and behind the scenes support in the name of Centacare and in the spirit of the Gospel.

Lord, in you mercy, hear our prayer.

Amen



Word & Faith Group

The group will start meeting on Sunday evenings at 5pm from this Sunday, 18th September. The meeting will be held in the Parish Centre in Mudgee. All Welcome.



The Flavours of Mudgee will be on Saturday, 24th September. Please be aware that the streets around the church will be closed from 12 noon on that day. No Parking will be available in the Parish carpark or at the front of the church for 5pm Mass.

St Mary's Craft and Friendship Group's

Craft & Gift Sale

Saturday 24th September 2022

Between 3pm and 7pm

In the grounds of St Mary's Church

All proceeds are distributed to local schools and charities

Dunedoo & Coolah Catholic Parish will be celebrating their centenary on Sunday 30th October at 10:00am. We will be celebrating with a thanksgiving Mass and sharing a morning tea afterwards in the school hall. All present and former parishioners are welcome.



The Burning Bush
Ex 3:1-12

Listen to the Voice of Creation SEASON OF CREATION 2022

SEASON OF CREATION by Nick Brodie

Jesus' instruction to use money to win welcome in the 'tents of eternity' is really an encouragement for us to be good stewards who are more concerned with the future than finances. After all, he makes this point after describing a wasteful steward who, for personal gain, dishonestly writes off chunks of money owed to his master – hardly a model citizen. Money is tainted, Jesus says, and it will inevitably fail us. Only the bigger picture and set of relationships we build with it really matters.

So, this Season of Creation we would do well to reflect on how we use both money and the earth's resources. Do we cut corners for our own selfish aspirations, like the dishonest steward? Do we trample the needy for our own gain and comfort, like the contemporaries of Amos? Or might we cooperate with God in lifting the lowly and raising the poor from trash piles and dung heaps? Do we recycle the world's resources, or throw away our unwanted things to accumulate and afflict the poorest? Do we pray with St Paul for those in authority to make right decisions, or do we vote for unjust policies which make the rich richer, the poor poorer, and the earth dirtier?



St Matthews Year 12 Students and Prayer Partners Morning Tea



When: Wednesday, 21st September 2022

Where: Presbytery Veranda

Time: 10.00am

Please RSVP to the Parish Office by Monday 19th September for catering purposes. Ph. 6372-2122 or email

office.mudgee@cdob.org.au

Prayer Partner Cards are at the back of the Church.

Hail Redeemer King Devine - Patrick Brennan

Hail, redeemer, king divine!
Priest and lamb, the throne is thine;
King whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.

Refrain

Angels, saints and nations sing:
"Praised be Jesus Christ, our king;
Lord of earth and sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary."

King, whose name creation thrills
Rule our minds, our hearts, our wills,
Till in peace each nation rings
With thy praises, king of kings.

Refrain

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