

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.

WE CONTINUE TO CELEBRATE THE CHRISTMAS SEASON WITH THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - YEAR A 8TH JANUARY 2023

First Reading: [Is 60:1-6](#)

The glory of the Lord shines upon you.

Responsorial Psalm:

[Ps 71:1-2. 7-8. 10-13, R. see v.11](#)

(R): *Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.*

O God, give your judgement to the king,
to a king's son your justice,
that he may judge your people in justice
and your poor in right judgement. **(R.)**

In his days justice shall flourish
and peace till the moon fails.
He shall rule from sea to sea,
from the Great River to earth's bounds. **(R.)**

The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts
shall pay him tribute.
The kings of Sheba and Seba
shall bring him gifts.
Before him all kings shall fall prostrate,
all nations shall serve him. **(R.)**

For he shall save the poor when they cry
and the needy who are helpless.
He will have pity on the weak
and save the lives of the poor. **(R.)**

Second Reading: [Eph 3:2-3. 5-6](#)

The revelation means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

In the past God spoke to our ancestors
through the prophets;
now he speaks to us through his Son.
Alleluia!

Gospel: [Mt 2:1-12](#)

We have come from the East to worship the king.



The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday
10th and Thursday 12th January.

Parish Priest
Fr Owen Gibbons

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Deacon Charles Applin

Parish Office Hours
Mon 10.00am - 4.00pm

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We would like to thank you for the many expressions of Christmas Blessing, cards and gifts that we have received over the Christmas period. They were very much appreciated.

Fr Owen and Fr Thao

DAY BY DAY

MONDAY 9th January

The Baptism of the Lord

12.00 Noon - Angelus

TUESDAY 10th January

9.30am - Mass Mudgee

12.00 Noon - Angelus

WEDNESDAY 11th January

12.00 Noon - Angelus

5.15 Reconciliation

5.45pm - Mass Mudgee

THURSDAY 12th January

9.30am - Mass Mudgee

11.00am Funeral - Mudgee - James Corney

12.00 Noon - Angelus

FRIDAY 13th January

12.00 Noon - Angelus and Rosary

Reconciliation available on request

12.30am - Mass Mudgee

5.30pm Holy Hour - Mudgee

SATURDAY 14th January

12.00 Noon - Angelus

5.15pm - 5.40pm - Reconciliation

6:00pm - Vigil Mass Mudgee

SUNDAY 15th January

9.00am - Mass Mudgee

10.30am - Gulgong Communion Service

11.00am - **Rylstone** - Mass

12 Noon - Angelus

Anointing/ Home Communion:

If you know of anyone who is in hospital or at home and would like the Anointing of the sick and Holy Communion, please ring the office. Fr Owen is available, and will happily visit them at home or in hospital.

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Please note, reconciliation is available anytime on request.

Masses and prayers requested for the following.

For the recently deceased especially:

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, James Corney, George Ashcroft, John Baggett, Doris O'Brien, Joan Loughrey.

We remember the anniversaries of:

John O'Brien, Mick Kelly, Kevin Stanmore, Robert Pilley, Joseph Glascott, John Szymkarczuk, Karyn Howden, Ernest Kinnaird, Joseph Williams, John McCarthy, Marvis Riley, Douglas Halpin, Eleanor Gorrie, Patricia Hudson, Marie Trounson, Shirley Moloney, Lawrence Goldspink, Dylan Dunne.

We also pray for:

John McNicol, Denis Donnelly

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

Ava Pettitt (Canada), Maria Knezevic, Ava Marakovic (Syd), Anne Mead, Vikki Treves, John Carney, Molly Jenkins, Debra O'Loughlin, Eleni Roberts, Tony Spina, Joe Saliba, Dennis Petersen, Geoffrey Munn, Gwen Ausburn, Tony Harris, John Cross, Dianne Brown, Cherylanne Adamson, Molly Jenkins, Howard Brady, Rodrigo Jaboneta, Carmel Thompson and all those in our Nursing Homes.

Ministry Corner...

Offertory - Gift Bearers.

Gift Bearers bring forward the bread and wine, which will become Christ's Body and Blood, at the beginning of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. They represent the entire worshipping community. Individuals, couples and/or families are encouraged to act as Gift Bearers. Families are invited to serve together. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like more information or would like to be apart of this ministry.

Mudgee Roster Saturday 14th / Sunday 15th January 2023			
	Saturday	Sunday	
Commentator	D. Cunningham	M. McLean	
First Reader	L. Nicholson	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	
Second Reader	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	
EMofC	I. Byrne	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	
Welcomer	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	
Offertory	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	
Counter	9th Jan	E. Goodlet	
Saturday 21st / Sunday 22nd January 2023			
	Saturday	Sunday	
Commentator	B. Petersen	L. Croake	
First Reader	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	E. de Vries	
Second Reader	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	
EMofC	D. Cunningham	R. Croake	
Welcomer	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	
Offertory	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	
Counter	16th Jan	L. Nicholson	
Gulgong Roster			
Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
15th Jan	E. Donnelly	P. Leotta	R. Saliba
22nd Jan	R. Saliba	M. McGregor	M.&E. Carney
29th Jan	D. Kelly	P. Leotta	G. Ausburn E. Donnelly

Important Notice

As you may be aware, there will be a significant change in our Parishes next year. With Fr Thao leaving, Fr Owen will be our only Priest for the parishes of Gulgong, Kandos / Rylstone and Mudgee. This means that some of the Masses will be change. The changes are:

1st Sunday in the Month

10.30am Communion Service Gulgong
11.00am Mass Kandos

2nd Sunday in the Month

10.30am Mass Gulgong
11.00am Communion Service Kandos

3rd Sunday in the Month

10.30am Communion Service Gulgong
11.00am Mass Rylstone

4th Sunday in the Month

10.30am Mass Gulgong
11.00am Communion Service Rylstone

5th Sunday in Month

10.30am Communion Service Gulgong
11.00am Mass Kandos
The Mass times for Mudgee will remain the same, for now.

HELP NEEDED

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to assist with our Masses during January.

We are still needing help.

Please contact the parish office on 6372 2122, if you are able to commentate, read or to be a Eucharistic Minister.

Pope's Universal Prayers 2023 January

FOR EDUCATORS

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.



REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The Christmas season reaches an apex with the Epiphany. In some liturgical traditions, it is the central celebration of Christmas. It commemorates not only the birth of Christ and the visit of the Magi, but also his baptism in the Jordan and the manifestation of his glory at the wedding feast of Cana. In the Roman Catholic tradition, the focus is on the visit of the Magi and the implications of that visit for the glorious manifestation of God to all the peoples of the world.

There is a wonderful summons to alertness and presence of mind and heart, a call for all the nations to witness the marvellous works of God that shine as light in the midst of the surrounding darkness. The light of God is known in the ways in which the most vulnerable in the city are cared for and acknowledged. In just action and righteousness, the city becomes the beacon of God, and all the nations are attracted by this light. The quality of the light leads the way through the darkness and sustains the world in goodness and peace.

The manifestation of God among us changes the ways in which we perceive each other. Christ's birth provides us with the light by which we see a new criterion for relating. The Magi represent the multi-ethnic and cultural diversity in civic and parish situations, as well as the many religions of the world. All people, regardless of race or ethnic origin, can be co-heirs with Christ.

SACRAMENTS 2023

ST MARY'S MUDGEES IMPORTANT DATES

If you are considering the Sacrament of Confirmation or the Sacrament of First Holy Communion for your child in 2023, we would like to extend a warm invitation to you to come along to a Parent/Carer Information Session as part of our preparation required for the sacramental journey of your child.

SAVE THESE DATES

From Year 6 onwards

School Term 1

Tuesday 21st March 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm or

Thursday 23rd March 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

From Year 3 onwards

School Term 2

Tuesday 20th June 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm or

Thursday 22nd June 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

** Please note that the journey for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will be for Year 3 students onwards from 2023 **

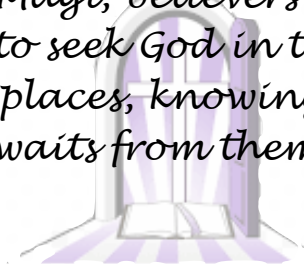
Further Information will be available on the Parish website (mudgee.catholic.org.au) from Tuesday 20th December including registration to attend a Parent/Carer Information session.

All enquiries to:

sacraments.mudgee@cdob.org.au

Please pass this message on to anyone you feel would be interested.

Like the Magi, believers are led by faith to seek God in the most hidden places, knowing that the Lord waits for them there.



Pope Francis

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Is 49:3. 5-6

Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10. R. vv.8. 9.

1 Cor 1:1-3

Jn 1:29-34