

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.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - YEAR B
7TH JANUARY 2024

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.) 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!

We have seen his star in the East;
and have come to adore the Lord.
Alleluia!

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

We have come from the East to worship the King.

The earliest Christmas feast, originating in the East in the third century and passing to the West in the fourth century. Celebrates the divine 'manifestation' or 'coming'. In the East it commemorates the baptism of the Lord and in the West the visit of the Magi. The mystery of the incarnation is now revealed to everyone in the world, represented by these wise man from foreign lands.



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DAY BY DAY

Mon, 8/1	The Baptism of the Lord
	Parish Office opens at 10am
Tues, 9/1	Week 1 in Ordinary Time
9.30am	Mass - Mudgee
12 Noon	Angelus
Wed, 10/1	Week 1 in Ordinary Time
9.00am	Christmas Undecorating
12 Noon	Angelus
5.20pm	Reconciliation
5.45pm	Mass - Mudgee
Thu, 11/1	Week 1 in Ordinary Time
9.30am	Mass - Mudgee
12 Noon	Angelus
Fri, 12/1	Week 1 in Ordinary Time
11.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
12 Noon	Angelus and Rosary
12.30pm	Mass - Mudgee
Sat, 13/1	Week 1 in Ordinary Time
5.15pm	Reconciliation
6.00pm	Vigil Mass - Mudgee
Sun, 14/1	2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9.00am	Mass - Mudgee
10.30am	Mass - Gulgong
11.00am	Communion Service - Kandos

GULGONG ROSTER

	14th January	21st January
Commentator	P. Leotta	C. Gaudry
Reader	K. Ritar	M. Golino
Sacristan	M & E Carney	E. Donnelly G. Ausburn
Leader		S. Parnell

MUDGEE NEWS

CHRISTMAS "UNDECORATING"

All those available to help with packing away the Christmas decorations at St. Mary's, Wednesday 10th January, starting at 9am.

Any and all help will be very much appreciated, for any amount of time that can be given. Names not needed to be taken, just "turn up" on the day.

Help Needed

As this is a busy time of year and many people are out of town visiting Family and Friends, we are asking for Volunteers to help at Mass.

If you are available, please let the office know via phone 6372-2122 or email office.mudgee@cdob.org.au

Thank You

We would like to thank everyone for the many cards, gifts and expressions of best wishes for Christmas and the New Year, that we received over the last couple of weeks. They are much appreciated. We wish everyone a happy and fruitful new year.

Fr Owen and Ha

MUDGE ROSTER**Sat 13th / Sun 14th January 2024**

Commentator	D. Cunningham	L. Croake
First Reader	I. Byrne	E. de Vires
Second Reader	I. Byrne	M. Dunnachie
EMOC	G. Hennessy	R. Corake
Altar Server	HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED
Music	Rachel	Jerry & Marianne
Welcomer	HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED
Offertory	HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED
Sacristan	L. Nicholson	R. Gawthorne
Counter	Mon, 8th Jan	R. Croake

Sat 20th Jan / Sun 21st January 2024

Commentator	C. Furney	M. McLean
First Reader	L. Nicholson	J. O'Brien
Second Reader	L. Nicholson	P. Tracy
EMOC	D. Cunningham	P. O'Brien
Altar Server	HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED
Music	Rue & Barry	Jerry
Welcomer	C. Carberry	M. Gilbert
Offertory	K. Isbester	M. Dunnachie
Sacristan	L. Robinson	R. Gawthorne
Counter	Mon 15th	E. Goodlet

Bells	Mon - E. Goodlet Tue - R. Gawthorne Wed- J. Cooper Thu- I. Brown Fri - I. Brown Sat - I. Brown / Fr Owen Sun - R. Gawthorne
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Masses and prayers requested for the following.

For the recently deceased especially:

Fr Pat Ruane,

We remember the anniversaries of:

Eleanor Gorrie, Patricia Hudson, Michael Gillham, Dylan Dunne, Shirley Moloney, Marie Trounson, Daphne Talbot, Norman Maloney, Kevin Stanmore, Ivy Endacott, Mavis Riley, John McCarthy, Joseph Williams, Ernest Kinnaird, Ruby Foreman, Karyn Howden, John Szymkarczuk, Joseph Glascott, Robert Pilley, John O'Brien.

For the deceased, especially:

Ted Jordan, Dean Williams, Stephen Birchall, Mons Peter Shannon. Toni Behrens, June George, Maggie Swientek.

Masses for Special Intentions, In Thanksgiving and For All the Holy Souls.

Prayers requested for the sick:

Jackie Johnson, Zvonko Glavacevic, Trevor Roberts (England), Maureen Hutchinson, Eleni Roberts, Tomislav Marakovic (Sydney), Iris McBeath, Tony Spina,

Josephine Debattista, Margaret Doble, Tracy Donnelly, Maureen Turner, Elizabeth Donnelly, Joe Saliba, Graham Hawkins, Lynne Daly, Tony Harris, Carmel Thompson, Dennis Petersen, Rodrigo Jaboneta, and all those in our Nursing Homes.

The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2024

January - For the Gift of Diversity in the Church...

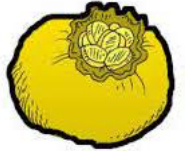
We pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

Gifts of the Magi

Matthew is the only Gospel that mentions the mysterious Magi, and he gives only scant details, simply calling them “wise men” and describing the gifts they brought: gold, frankincense and myrrh.

[The wise men] entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. (Matthew 2:11)

The gift of gold signified Jesus’ royalty. Gold is mentioned frequently in the Old Testament, starting with many parts of the temple including the Menorah and the golden altar. The Book of Revelation 21:21 describes the city of New Jerusalem as having streets “made of pure gold, clear as crystal”.

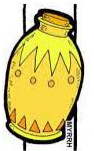


The gift of frankincense signified His divinity. It was an aromatic resin from which incense and perfume fit for kings were made.

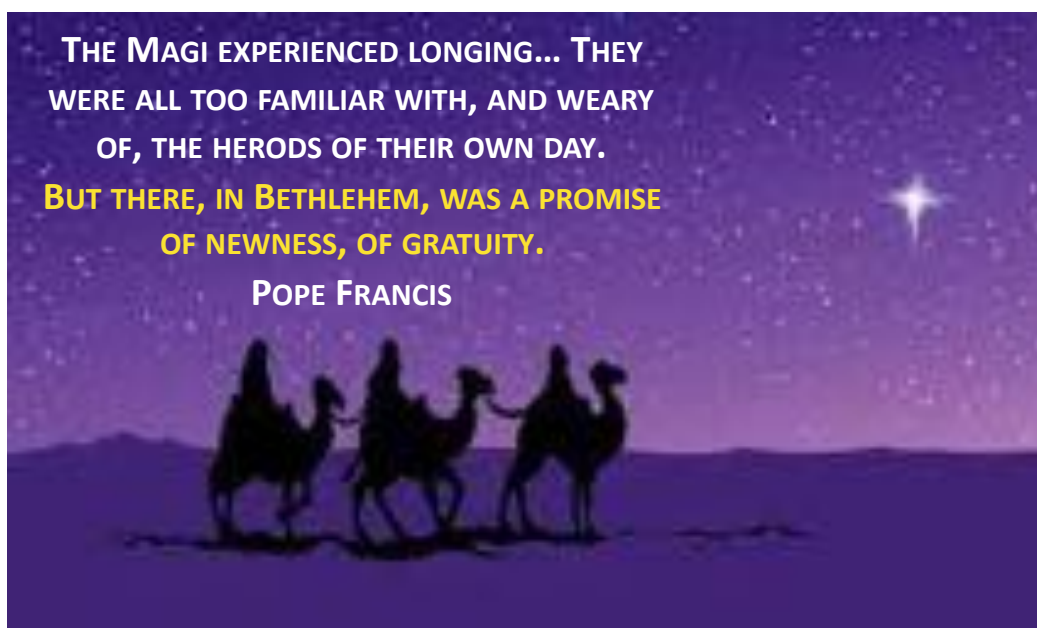


The Jews used frankincense and myrrh in the blend of resins and herbs that they burned on the incense altar in the temple. That blend was so special to God that any Jew burning it in his home was to be exiled. There is indeed significance that incense used in the worship of God in the temple would have been offered by the worshipping wise men.

Myrrh, the third gift, was another aromatic resin, from which perfume was made to embalm the dead. This signified Jesus’ humanity and that He would die for us.



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Reading for next Sunday: **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B**

1 Sam 3:3-10, 19

Ps 39:2, 4, 7-10

1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20

Jn 1:35-42