



# Welcome to the Catholic Parishes of Mudgee, Gulgong, Kandos / Rylstone.



**We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We walk on a land once occupied by the Wiradjuri people. May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.**



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## Parish Office

### Hours

#### Monday:

10.00am - 4.00pm

Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri

9.00am - 4.00pm

### Staff Lunch Break

1.00pm - 2.00pm

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A 29th January 2017

### From the PP's desk

I hope all parishioners enjoyed Australia Day on Thursday and celebrated everything that makes our nation beautiful.



This Sunday we farewell the Sisters of Saint Joseph in Gulgong. We wish Sr. Clare and Sr. Carmel all the best in the future and thank them for all their years of pastoral care.

A thank you to those who responded to a call for help to clean up the yard and temporary repairs to the Church after the storm last week.

School starts back this coming week. We pray for all children and teachers beginning the new school year.

**Next Sunday Mass 11.00am  
Kandos.**

Fr Tony

### **FIRST READING - Zephaniah 2:3; 3 : 12-13**

*In your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people.*

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

***Happy the poor in spirit; the  
kingdom of heaven is theirs.***

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord who sets prisoners free. **R.**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down, the Lord, who protects the stranger and upholds the widow and orphan. **R.**

It is the Lord who loves the just but thwarts the path of the wicked. the Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. **R.**

### **SECOND READING: Corinthians 1:26-31**

*God has chosen what is weak by human reckoning.*

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

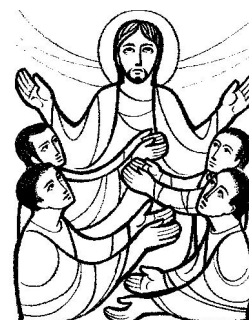
Rejoice and be glad: your reward will be great in heaven.  
Alleluia!

### **GOSPEL READING: Matthew 5:1-12**

*Happy are the poor in spirit.*

### **MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:**

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.



## Day by Day

### Monday 30th January

9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

4.00pm Rosary - 63721115

### Tuesday 31st January

4.00pm Holy Hour

5.00pm Mass - Mudgee

### Wednesday 1st February

9.00am Mass Mudgee

9.30am St Mary's Friendship Group

### Thursday 2nd February

#### Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

9.10am Mass Mudgee

10.00am St Mary's & St Matthews Playgroup

12 noon Mass Gulgong

### Friday 3rd February

10:30am: Mass at St Matthews O'Donovan Centre

Commissioning Staff & Leaders

11.00am Opal Nursing Home

11.45pm Rosary in the Church

12 - 12.15 Reconciliation

12.30pm Mass

### Saturday 4th February

Baptism & Wedding - Mudgee

5.15 - 5.45pm Reconciliation

6.00pm Vigil Mass Mudgee

### Sunday 5th February

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Mass Mudgee

10.30am Mass Gulgong

11.00am Mass Kandos

### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS - JANUARY

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

### Readings for Next Week.

Isaiah 58:7-10

Corinthians 2:1-5

Matthew 5:13-16



WE WELCOME IN BAPTISM

**CODY JAMES BILES**

Son of Scott & Jennifer

## Liturgy Roster: Mudgee 4th/5th February 2017

<b>Commentator</b>	J. Cross	M. McLean
<b>Readers</b>	J. Unsworth M. Bannister	E. Freeman A. McLean
<b>Special Minister of Communion</b>	J. Vros K. Isbester A. Baker	G. Hennessy S. Bennett S. Bennett
<b>Offertory Procession</b>	Vo Family	E. Csuba M. Knight
<b>Organist</b>	E. Cooper	R. Newman
<b>Welcomers</b>	B. Cluff N. Lynch	M. Charlesworth M. Dunnachie
<b>Altar Servers</b>	O. Smeallie B. Smeallie H. Lowe (S)	S. Keaton B. Hanrahan S. Keaton J. Nipperess
<b>Counters</b>	L. Nicholson 30/1/17	S. Robinson 6/2/17

<b>Gulgong Liturgy Roster</b>	<b>5th February 2017</b>	<b>Kandos Liturgy Roster</b>	<b>5th February 2017</b>
<b>Commentator</b>	D. Kelly		
<b>Reader</b>	J. Thatcher	<b>Readers</b>	M. Turner H. Roberts
<b>Offertory</b>	M McGregor G Ausburn	<b>Intercessions</b>	Sr. Kath
<b>Special Minister of Communion</b>	R. Saliba M. Carney	<b>Special Minister of Communion</b>	M. Turner
<b>Sacristan</b>	E. Donnelly G Ausburn	<b>Sacristan</b>	H. Roberts



### Masses and prayers requested for the following:

**We pray for the recently deceased especially** Paul Kennedy (brother of Fr Greg Kennedy), Adam Smieszek (Poland) A Requiem Mass was celebrated for **Julie Walker** at Mudgee on Tuesday. Please continue to pray for the family.

**We remember the anniversaries of** Dorothy Betts, Ruby Tandy, Sr Marguerita Carroll CSB, Harold Clift, Patrick O'Hare.

**We also pray for** Douglas Richardson, Kihm Family, De Castro Family, De Roario Family, James Burnett, deceased members Sisters of St Joseph.

**Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time:** Mary Cannon, especially the residents of all the nursing homes.

Let us ask the Lord to help us understand the law of LOVE. How good it is to have this law! How much GOOD it does us to love one another, in spite of everything. Yes, in spite of everything!  
*Pope Francis*



### Good News Spot

We had visitors on the way through Mudgee who stayed for a cuppa in the Presbytery on Australia Day.

### GULGONG NEWS

The first meeting of the Gulgong Catholic Womens Guild will be held on Tuesday, 7th February at 2.00pm in **THE CONVENT** - **NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE**. New members always welcome. Further information contact : Phyllis Ph. 63741256.

### ST MARY'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The group resumes on Wednesday 1st February. The group come together every Wednesday from 9.30am in the Parish Centre for craft, morning tea and friendship. New members always welcome.

### Hospital & Nursing Home Visits

Please be aware that when you or your family are admitted to hospital and would like a visit from a priest, the hospital staff must be advised on admission.

Current privacy laws do not allow hospital staff to contact the priest unless requested.

*\*\*This rule also applies to nursing homes.\**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT AS THE SISTERS WILL BE LEAVING THE COMMUNITY THERE WILL NEED TO BE A RE-ORGANISATION OF THE GULGONG LITURGY ROSTER.**

**A SHEET WILL BE LOCATED AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH IN GULGONG FOR PARISHIONERS TO NOMINATE THE VARIOUS MINISTRIES THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO TAKE PART IN.**

### THANK YOU! FOR CHRISTMAS DUES

The total amount collected in our region was \$1565.00

## Ordination to the Diaconate

It is with thanks to Almighty God that the Catholic Diocese of Bathurst joyfully announces the Ordination to the Diaconate of Mr. Joshua Clayton and Mr. Michael Williams.

Bishop Michael McKenna will ordain Joshua and Michael on Friday, 17th February 2017 at 5.45pm in the Cathedral of St Michael and St John, Bathurst.

All are welcome to the Liturgy and supper, which will be held afterwards in the Mother Ignatius Croke Centre at the Cathedral Primary School.

### JOSEPHITE ASSOCIATES MEETING

The first meeting for the Associates this year will be held on Saturday, 4th February, 2017 at 2:00pm in the Mudgee Parish Centre. All welcome to attend.

### Weaving Stars To End Violence In The World

The first meeting for 2017 will be held at NALAG Centre, 107 Mortimer Street, Mudgee on Tuesday, 31st January from 10.00am - 12 noon. Please bring your own scissors. New weavers welcome. Come and learn how to weave. For more information Phone: 0432807516

**A Commissioning Mass** for the New Year will be held in the O'Donovan Centre at St Matthews Catholic School on Friday, 3rd February at 10.30am.





The Gulgong parish of St John the Baptist would like to thank the Sister of St Joseph for their pastoral care, generosity and spiritual guidance over the last 133 years. It is with regret that we see them leave after such a long commitment not only to St John's Church but also to the community at large.

May Sr Clare and Sr Carmel go on to enjoy a quieter time and for Sr Clare a well earned rest.

From Fr. Tony, Fr Antony, Parish Staff and all parishioners.

Sr Carmel and Sr Clare wish to thank you all most sincerely for your kindness, generosity and friendship throughout the years we have been in Gulgong.

God bless you and let us pray for each other as we all continue our life's journey.

If you wish to keep in contact with the sisters below are their forwarding addresses:

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Coonabarabran 2357  
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Sr Marie Hopper  
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Bathurst 2795  
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**TO  
THE SISTERS OF ST JOSEPH**

### **PRAYER**

*Healer of Our Every Ill,  
Breathe in and among all of us who dwell in  
this land.*

*Soothe our wounds. Calm our fears.*

*Mend our divisions.*

*Hope of All Tomorrows,*

*Open our deaf ears and fill us with  
Compassion.*

*Tender our hearts.*

*Inspire creative ideas to address the cries of  
our sisters, brothers and Earth itself.*

*Send forth your Spirit of Love and Unity*

*Transform pointed fingers of blame into  
hands open in reverence to receive one  
another.*

*Fan into flame the gift of our founding  
And let us be known again as a people  
United for the goodness, justice and peace of  
all people forever. Amen*

*By Sister Pat Bergen, CSJ*



Sr Carmel Sheridan



Sr Clare Hopper

