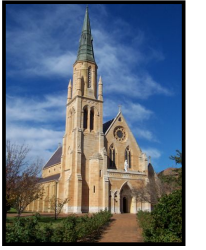


*The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!*



# 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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### Hours

Monday:

10.00am - 4.00pm

Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri

9.00am - 4.00pm

30yrs of Priesthood for Fr Tony Hennessy;  
40yrs of Priesthood for Fr Carl Mackander

**Third Sunday of Lent - Year A      19th March 2017**

### From the PP's desk

Thank you to all who assisted with Catholic Schools Week activities, especially to the families who attended Masses and visited the schools to view the children at work.

Children's Liturgy begins in Mudgee this weekend. Our thanks to Ms Kelly Espada and the few other volunteers who have agreed to continue this ministry in the parish.

Fr Tony



### FIRST READING: Exodus 17:3-7

*Give us water to drink.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R. If today you hear his voice,  
harden not your hearts.**

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R.**

### SECOND READING:

*Romans 5:1-2, 5-8*

*The love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!**

Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

**Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!**

### GOSPEL READING: John 4: 5-42

*The water that I shall give will turn into a spring of eternal life.*

### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

We proclaim your Death, O, Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

### Project Compassion Total for our region to

date.....

\$2249.10

Support the work of Caritas  
Australia by contributing to  
Project Compassion 2017.

**During Lent** as we follow our journey towards Holy Week and the joy of the Easter celebrations, we ask everyone to acknowledge some **quiet time** in prayer as preparation before and after Mass.



## Day by Day

### Monday, 20th March

**Feast of St Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00am: Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

9:30am: Bible Study (Mudgee)

4:00pm: Rosary (Ph 63721115)

### Tuesday, 21st March

**10.30am Liturgy Meeting**

2.00pm Lenten Group Kandos

4.00pm: Holy Hour Mudgee

5:00pm: Mass Mudgee

### Wednesday, 22nd March

9.00am Mass Mudgee - SMCS Hargraves House

9.30am St Mary's Friendship Group

11.00am Mass Kandos

**Pastoral Council AGM - 5.30pm in the Parish Centre.**

### Thursday, 23rd March

9:10am: Mass Mudgee Yrs 1 & 2

10:30am: St Mary's & St Matthews Playgroup

12 noon Mass Gulgong - AH years K/1/5/6

### Friday, 24th March

11:45pm: Rosary in the Church Mudgee

12:00pm - 12:15pm:

Reconciliation Mudgee

12:30pm: Mass Mudgee

### Saturday, 25th March

**The Annunciation of the Lord**

**Baptism Mudgee**

5:15pm - 5:45pm: Reconciliation (Mudgee)

6:00pm: Vigil Mass (Mudgee)

### Sunday, 26th March

**Third Sunday of Lent - Year A**

9:00am: Mass Mudgee - Children's Liturgy

9.30am Rosary Rylstone

10:00am: Mass Rylstone

### Readings for Next Week.

Samuel: 16: 1, 6-7, 10-13.

Ephesians 5: 8-14

John 9: 1-41

## Liturgy Roster: Mudgee 25th/26th March 2017

<b>Commentator</b>	D.Cunningham	Susie Bennett
<b>Readers</b>	P.Cannon B.Carrigan	R.Disher J.O'Brien
<b>Special Minister of Communion</b>	L.Nicholson E.Biddle A.Baker	M.Gilbert M.Parker P. O'Brien
<b>Offertory Procession</b>	D.Bennett C.Carberry	Disher Family
<b>Organist</b>	E.Cooper	R.Newman
<b>Welcomers</b>	K.Isbester C.Carberry	M.Charlesworth G.McDermott
<b>Altar Servers</b>	I.Place S.Place B.Roberts J.Ryan	S.Keaton B.Hanrahan S.Walker J.Wilkinson
<b>Counters</b>	J.Cavanagh 20/3	E.Goodlet 27/3

<b>Gulgong Liturgy Roster</b>	<b>26th March 2017</b>	<b>Kandos Liturgy Roster</b>	<b>26th March 2017</b>
<i>Commentator</i>	R.Saliba		
<i>Reader</i>	P.Lenard	<i>Readers</i>	T.Ryan A.Krusvar
<i>Offertory</i>	M & C Gaudry	<i>Intercessions</i>	H.Roberts
<i>Special Minister of Communion</i>	M.Carney J.Thatcher	<i>Special Minister of Communion</i>	Sr Kath
<i>Sacristan</i>	Z.Drew M.O'Brien	<i>Sacristan</i>	T.Ryan C.Morrissey

### Masses and prayers requested for the following:

**We pray for the recently deceased especially** Shirley Law, Alice Bates, John Robinson, and Ted Hayman.

**We remember the anniversaries of** David Lawson, Des Mahon, Wyatt and Graham Harris, Joyce Loneragan and James Loneragan.

**We also pray for** Frank Lacey and Warren Roche.

**Special Intention** - Grandparents and all those seeking Special Intentions through the help of the Lord.

**Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time:** Carissa Gleeson, Annie Weiss, Mary Cannon, Margaret Tuxford Spicer, Rosa Maria Santos and the residents of all the nursing homes.

### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH

**Support for Persecuted Christians.**

That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.



**Congratulations and Welcome to Michelle Christine Wilson** who is to be Received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church this week.



**We welcome in Baptism this week Russell Adrian Moriarty.**

### Gulgong News

**ROSTER:** The new roster will be ready next week and will begin from Sunday April 2. Thank you to all who have volunteered for the various Ministries.

**Readers/Eucharistic Ministers:** Training will take place after Mass. Further information contact Merrilyn Birch-Carney

**STREET STALL:** A sincere thank you to everyone who helped or supported the Street Stall last Friday. Winners of the Raffle and "100 Clubs" will be published next week

### Kandos News

**Lenten Group Tuesday's at 2.00pm** in the small hall at Kandos.  
**Mass Wednesday** and all the Wednesdays of Lent at **11.00am in Kandos.**

**Easter Raffle:** This will be drawn at the lunch after the anointing Mass on 12th April. Tickets \$2 each or three for \$5 and prizes IGA vouchers for \$75, \$50 and \$25. Please see either Carol Morrissey or Louise McPherson for tickets.

**Kandos Hall:** Maintenance/ replacement of the guttering on the hall will take place in a few weeks.

### MUDGE NEWS

**Annual General Meeting this Wednesday 22nd March - 5.30pm**  
St Mary's Parish Centre.. Parishioners welcome to attend.

**Parish Finance Council** met this week. The storm damage and cleaning up was highlighted together with a report from Martin Milton on the scope of works that need to be undertaken to repair the damage. Currently we are trying to procure new slate required for the repairs. Further details will be reported as they come to hand. Discussion also took place on the works needed to resurface the presbytery driveway which will take place in the coming months.

**Childrens' Liturgy** resumes in Mudgee this Sunday. We thank those who have volunteered for this ministry. More volunteers are needed.



*The good spirit at the Parish /School Mass in Gulgong last Sunday.*

### Prayer

The fruit of silence is *prayer*,  
The fruit of prayer is *faith*,  
The fruit of faith is *love*,  
The fruit of love is *service*,  
The fruit of service is *peace*.

*Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

**Pope Francis tip for Lent - Help the Poor -**  
"In the poor and outcast we see Christ's face; by loving and helping the poor, we love and serve Christ. Our efforts are also directed to ending violations of human dignity, discrimination and abuse in the world, for these are so often the cause of destitution. When power, luxury and money become idols, they take priority over the need for a fair distribution of wealth. Our consciences thus need to be converted to justice, equality, simplicity and sharing." – *Lenten Message, 2014*

**Australian Catholics Autumn Edition** is available at the back of the church. Take a *FREE* copy home to your family. Feature story on 'Tuning the Spirit' Our journey to Jesus through music.

### MUDGE

#### PALM SUNDAY, 9TH APRIL

**6:00PM:** Vigil Mass  
(Blessing of the Palms).

**9:00AM:** Ecumenical Service at St John the Baptist Anglican Church (followed by a procession to St Mary's Catholic Church for Mass)

#### HOLY THURSDAY, 13TH APRIL

**6:00PM:** Mass of the last Supper & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

#### GOOD FRIDAY, 14TH APRIL

**11:00AM:** Stations of the Cross

**3:00PM:** Liturgy of the Passion

#### HOLY SATURDAY, 15TH APRIL

**6:00PM:** Vigil Mass

#### EASTER SUNDAY, 16TH APRIL

**7:30AM:** Mass, 9:00Am:Mass10:30Am: Mass (Followed By an Easter Egg Hunt)

### Palm Sunday and Easter

### GULGONG

#### PALM SUNDAY, 9TH APRIL

**10:30AM:** Mass

#### Monday, 10th April

**12:00 noon** Mass - Anointing Of The Sick & Elderly

#### TUESDAY, 11TH APRIL

**6:00PM:**

Second Rite Of Reconciliation

#### GOOD FRIDAY, 14TH APRIL

**3:00PM:** Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion.

#### HOLY SATURDAY, 15TH APRIL

**6:00PM:** EASTER VIGIL MASS

### KANDOS/RYLSTONE

#### PALM SUNDAY, 9TH APRIL

**10:00Am:** Mass (Rylstone)

#### WEDNESDAY, 12TH APRIL

**11:00Am:** Mass - Anointing of the Sick & Elderly (Kandos) followed by lunch.

#### HOLY THURSDAY, 13TH APRIL

**6:00PM:** Mass of the Last Supper (Rylstone)

#### GOOD FRIDAY, 14TH APRIL

**10:00AM:** Ecumenical Stations of the Cross (Commencing at St. Malachy's, Rylstone)

#### EASTER SUNDAY, 16TH APRIL

**10.00AM:** Mass (Kandos)



## from the Liturgy Group.....

As we long for the gift of God's mercy through these days of Lent, we reflect on what we are doing to receive God's generous gift. One of the ways that we might do this is to be more "present" when we come to Mass. So we are encouraging ALL to participate more fully in each of our liturgies especially during Lent. The following can be a Lenten gift to each other:



be hospitable and attentive towards those with whom we worship and extend a welcome to everyone, not just people we know.



take part in the action of the liturgy by listening attentively, joining in the responses, sharing the sign of peace and by taking notice of the symbols, sounds, smells and tastes of the celebration.



pray our parts of the Mass as though every prayer depended upon our words. The story goes that in the early Church in Rome the assembly's response in the Great Amen sounded like the rumble of thunder! How does ours sound?



join in the hymns and sung responses. Singing is one way in which everyone can join in the celebration of faith. Only someone whose voice is so bad that they have been banned from singing "Happy Birthday" at parties is exempt!



continue our celebration of Mass after we leave the church and extend our ministry as disciples of Christ into the rest of our lives. The words of the familiar hymn express it well: "Go now you are sent forth to live what you proclaim, to show the world you follow Christ in fact, not just in name".

## St Vincent de Paul News .....

*On the 18<sup>th</sup> February SVDP Mudgee were blessed with a donation of food and personal items for the outlying areas of Uarbry, Cassilis, Coolah etc affected by the bushfires. These items were donated by the Blue Mountains communities at large. The person behind all of this was a lovely young man called Blaine.*

This gentleman was helped along the way by our wonderful Society years ago and felt driven to return the help in some way. The large load of food arrived and was distributed between Mudgee and Coolah. SVDP Mudgee has helped many over the last four weeks due to the fires but it is also ongoing help for all in our community in general that are having hard times. This is a perfect example of how SVDP works and how we stand by "Hope and Goodwill" for all. Not to judge but to be there to give a hand up in times of need. Thank you everyone for all your continued support.



First Australian Uncle Richard is a survivor of the Stolen Generations, forcibly removed from his family as a child and taken to Kinchela Boys Home (KBH) in NSW. Hundreds of Indigenous boys were incarcerated there between 1924 and 1970, suffering ongoing physical and verbal abuse. They lost every aspect of their identity – their names, their culture and their families.



When Uncle Richard left KBH, he struggled with the legacy of pain, trying to find relief through his work as an artist. But he attributes the beginning of his healing to something even more powerful than his creative work, his reconnection with former KBH boys.

The KBH Aboriginal Corporation (KBHAC) was established by KBH survivors to reunite with one another and begin healing. KBHAC's Unlocking the Past to Free the Future Program works to restore the social and emotional wellbeing of the survivors and their families. The former KBH boys have realised that their shared suffering has created a brotherhood. They support each other by sharing their stories, and coming to a common understanding of how their experiences have impacted on themselves and their descendants.

Through KBHAC, the men are also opening the door to the wider Australian community, inviting everyone to journey together as neighbours in the healing process. Caritas Australia supports KBHAC and is proud to walk alongside in partnership on the journey to wellbeing.

## Advance Notices For Holy Week

- ◆ **Palm Sunday:** Wear **red** especially to the Blessing of the Palms at the Anglican Church on Sunday.
- ◆ **Easter Liturgies** - sign up to assist with Holy week Liturgies. The white board will be at the back of the church from next weekend.
- ◆ **Holy Saturday : 11.00am & 2.00pm**  
Tours of the Church and Convent. Gold coin donation towards the printing of a history book on the church prepared by Jenny Maloney.
- ◆ **Easter Sunday** - Easter Hunt for the children after the 10.30am Mass.
  - ◆ **Raffle** - to assist small schools.
  - ◆ **Sale of Goods** Easter Sunday - for Project Compassion.