



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 Wiradjuri country. 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

**50 days of Easter Season from Easter Sunday
to Pentecost.**

Third Sunday of Easter - Year A 30th April 2017

FIRST READING: Acts 2: 14,22-33

It was impossible for him to be held by the power of Hades.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Response: Lord, you will show
us the path of life.**

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.' O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. **R.**

i will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**

SECOND READING: Peter 1: 17-21

The ransom that was paid to free you was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us, make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING: Luke 24: 13-35

They recognised him at the breaking of the bread.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

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

LEAVING COLLECTION TODAY FOR THE MILITARY ORDINARIATE.

The Military Ordinariate is the Catholic Diocese of the Australian Defence Force (ADF). It has been charged with the pastoral care of the uniformed members of Australia's Navy, Army and Air Force, their families and of the civilians employed by the Department of Defence.

Over 25 per cent of those in the ADF declaring a religious affiliation declare themselves as Catholic.

There is often a misconception that the Ordinariate is fully funded by the Commonwealth Government, however this is not the case and the Diocese relies heavily on the generosity of Australian Catholics.



From the PP's desk

Welcome back to staff and students as they begin another busy term.

I will be away from May 1-5 on a special break for my 30th at Broken Hill. Fr Joe Dooley will be here for the week.

Children's Liturgy returns this weekend. Thank you to those who volunteered to help with this ministry.

St Mary's Friendship Group will hold their annual Mother's Day morning tea and sale of goods this Wednesday from 9.30am in the Parish Centre. The gold coin donation for morning tea and the proceeds of the raffle will go to Mudgee CanAssist. Come and support the ladies.

Prior to Mother's Day (Sunday 14th May) we will offer the Friday Mass at 12.30pm (12th May) for all parents who have suffered the loss of a child.

Fr Antony is on annual leave until the end of May. Thankfully he has arrived safely in India.

Fr Tony

Liturgy Roster: 6th/7th May

Day by Day

Monday, 1st May

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

4:00pm: Rosary (Ph 63721115)

Tuesday, 2nd May

Memorial St Anthanasius

2.00pm GCWG monthly meeting, Gulgong Convent.

4.00pm Holy Hour

5.00pm Mass Mudgee

Wednesday, 3rd May

Feast of St Philip & St James, apostles

9.00am Mass Mudgee

9.30am St Mary's Friendship Group

Craft sale and morning tea.

5.30pm Pastoral Council meeting

Thursday, 4th May

9:10am Mass Mudgee

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

NO Mass Gulgong

Friday, 5th May

10.30am Communion Service Opal Nursing Home

11:45pm: Rosary in the Church Mudgee

12:00pm - 12:15pm: Reconciliation Mudgee

12:30pm Mass Mudgee

Saturday, 6th May

1.00pm Mudgee Josephite Associates meeting.

Baptisms Mudgee

5:15pm - 5:45pm: Reconciliation

6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

Sunday, 7th May

9:00am Mass Mudgee - Children's Liturgy

9.30am Rosary Kandos

10:00am: Mass Kandos

10:30am: Mass Gulgong

Next Weekend Readings

Acts 2: 14,36-41 Peter 2: 20-25 John 10: 1-10

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| Commentator | J.Cross | M.McLean |
| Readers | S.Walker M.Bannister | L.Schreck L.Littler |
| Special Minister of Communion | A.Baker J.Vros D.Cunningham | R.Gawthorne G.Hennessy R.McKeown |
| Offertory Procession | Vo family | E.Csuba M.Knight |
| Organist | E.Cooper | R.Newman |
| Welcomers | B.Cluff N.Lynch | E.Csuba M.Knight |
| Altar Servers | H.Lowe C.McLean E.English F.English | O.Portelli H.Portelli C.Wilson R.Wilson |
| Counters | D.Bennett 1/5 | J.Potts 8/5 |

| Gulgong Liturgy Roster | 7th May 2017 | Kandos Liturgy Roster | 7th May 2017 |
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| Commentator | E.Holmes | | |
| Reader | R.Saliba | Readers | T.Doorey C.D'Ilio |
| Offertory | P.Lenard L.Hope | Intercessions | T.Ryan |
| Special Minister of Communion | J.Thatcher C.Holland | Special Minister of Communion | K.Morrissey Sr Kath |
| Sacristan | Z.Drew M.O'Brien | Sacristan | H.Roberts |

Masses and prayers requested for the following:

We pray for the recently deceased especially Barry Rheinberger, Robyn Woodhouse (daughter of the late Muriel Morley), Mavis Whale.

We remember the anniversaries of Moya Howard, Ross Llody, John Denlay, Rae Hopkins.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Andrew McPhee, Tom Sheridan, Carissa Gleeson, Jason Seis, Dorothy Davidson, Annie Weiss, Mary Cannon, Margaret Tuxford Spicer, Rosa Maria Santos and the residents of all the nursing homes.



We welcome to the parish community in Baptism this weekend:

Alfie John Hanson son of Christopher and Emma.

Leon Robert Hanson Riley son of David and Paula.

Louis Alarick Shaw son of Kim.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY

Christians in Africa.

That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.



* The number of our students from St Matthews and All Hallows schools taking part in the Anzac Day celebrations at Gulgong and Mudgee



Congratulations to Sienna McGuirk winner of the 'Gallery Walk for Holy Week' Art Works. Judged by the parish.

Sr Clement's New Address:

Sr Clement has now moved to her new home. The new address is Catholic Health Care, 51 Gormans Road, PO Box 93 Bathurst NSW 2795.

Happy Birthday to

Fr Garry who will celebrate his 70th birthday this Monday, 1st May.

Sr Clement will celebrate her 92nd birthday on 5th May.

We wish them both many happy returns for their special occasion.

This Wednesday, 3rd May at 9.30am

St Mary's Friendship Group
Craft Sale, Cake Stall and Raffle
in
St Mary's Parish Centre.
Everyone welcome.

Join the ladies for Devonshire Tea (gold coin donation).
Proceeds of the raffle and gold coin donation for morning tea go to Mudgee CanAssist.



Gulgong News

Gulgong Catholic Womens Group monthly meeting this Tuesday, 2nd May at 2.00pm in the convent.

Thursday Mass: There will be **NO** Mass at Gulgong on Thursday's while Fr Antony is away unless it is a scheduled school class Mass.

Confirmation Parent meeting: Monday 8th May at 3.30pm, All Hallows School.

☀ **Parish/ School Mass,** Enrolment for the Sacraments, Sunday 21st May at 10.30am.

Kandos News

Anzac Day: Our thanks to Kerry Morrissey for offering the Commemorative Service in Kandos on Tuesday for Anzac Day.

If Not Us WHO ?
If Not Now WHEN ?

Mudgee News

Ministry Sunday: This weekend we invite you to indicate a ministry that you would like to contribute to over the next twelve months - there is something there for everyone. Please fill out the Ministry Sheet provided in the seats this weekend, clearly indicating your name, address and email. Please place in the box at the back of the church. We are very thankful to have so many willing to contribute to the ministries within the parish.

Confirmation Parent meeting: Tuesday 9th May at 1.30pm and a repeat session at 7.00pm. It is expected a parent/representative for each child will attend the parent meetings for Confirmation. Students from the State schools please contact the Parish Office.

Mass Friday 12th May - Mother's Day is a difficult time for some, especially those who have previously lost a child. On Friday 12th May the Mass will be offered for these parents and their children. All welcome.

COWRA LITURGY WEEKEND 17TH-18TH JUNE 2017

\$100 REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES MEALS AND ACCOMMODATION.

Speakers Include: **Bishop Patrick O'Regan**, Bishop of Sale, Vic. **Dr Laurie Woods**, scripture Scholar; **Ms Karla Slaven**, Master of Theology & teacher featuring **Fr Rob Galea**, International singer and songwriter from the Diocese of Sandhurst, Vic.

Attendance at this Conference can be used as *Currency* toward teachers ongoing Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Catholic Schools in the Bathurst Diocese. Attendance at both days gains 12 hours currency.

Contact Fr Laurie Beath, PP on 02 63421369, 0427421043

Email: office.cowra@cdob.org.au.

The Parish is willing to pay the cost of the Registration fee for those who wish to attend this informative conference. It is important that we make an effort to be represented.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 3rd May - Pastoral Council meeting Mudgee.

Saturday 6th/Sunday 7th May: Good Shepherd leaving collection.
World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Monday 8th May: Confirmation Parent Meeting - Gulgong, 3.30pm All Hallows School.

Tuesday 9th May: Confirmation Parent Meeting - Mudgee 1.30pm and 7.00pm - Mudgee, Parish Centre.

Friday 12th May 12.30pm: Mass for parents who have lost a child.

Saturday 13th, 6pm/14th May, 9am - Confirmation enrolment/commitment Mass Mudgee.

Saturday 20th/Sunday 21st May: St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.

Sunday 21st May Gulgong: Parish/School Mass 10.30am, Enrolment for the Sacraments.



Dear Friends in Christ,

Good Shepherd Sunday will be celebrated on May 7th this year.

With you, I thank God for our priests, who with their prayer and preaching, their celebration of the Eucharist and the other sacraments, lead the mission of our local church in the parishes. Their ministry is unique and indispensable. And I ask you again to support them wholeheartedly with your prayers, your participation in the work of our church and your financial contributions.

On Good Shepherd Sunday, we look to those who will, please God, serve our Diocese as priests in the future: our eight seminarians. Some are nearing the end of the long journey of formation and discernment, others just beginning. And we must never give up on our earnest prayer that more young men will hear and answer God's call to leave everything and follow him.

Every year, we have a special collection to cover the cost of the investment in our seminarians' training. This year, the annual bill will be \$274,000. Last year, the parish collections provided \$32,000 and a generous one-off donation \$60,000 to offset that. I am very grateful to those who supported this appeal last year. I urge everyone to seriously consider their responsibility and response this year.

Yours in Christ,

+Michael McKenna
Bishop of Bathurst



St Patrick's Church, Wellington Centenary

The Centenary of the Opening and Blessing of St Patrick's Church, Wellington NSW, will be celebrated on Sunday 20th

August with 10.00am Mass followed by lunch.

This is also the Bi-centenary weekend of celebrations for European settlement at Wellington.

RSVP to the parish 6845 2061 or email: office.wellington@cdob.org.au

Thank You

We'd like to send a huge thank you for being a part of Project Compassion. Every prayer, every action of support, large or small has made an enormous difference.

Over the last six weeks, your parish has helped support poor and vulnerable communities around the world and inspired hope in marginalised communities.

On behalf of all of us at Caritas Australia, we wish you every blessing.

We would like to finalise this next week, so please return your envelopes and boxes ASAP.

Project Compassion Total for our region
\$6071.85

Special collection for Holy Places:

Total for region \$857.55

Easter Dues

Total for the Region

\$894. Thank you.

Living the gospel

Living the journey

The story of the road to Emmaus is a perfect model for our Christian life. It reminds us first of all that none of us walk the journey alone. Even when we don't recognise his presence, Jesus joins us in the everyday realities of life. The breaking open and interpretation of scripture is essential to making sense of our life experiences and through the celebration of Eucharist and table fellowship we are nourished to not only continue the journey but to share the good news with others. Where do you find yourself in the events of this story?

***Let us ask for the grace not
to tire of asking for
forgiveness, because He
never tires of forgiving***

~ Pope Francis



