



# 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.**

## Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year A 14th May 2017

#### **FIRST READING: Acts 6: 1-7**

*They elected seven men filled with the Spirit and wisdom.*

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Response: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs.

**R.**

For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **R.**

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine **R.**

#### **SECOND READING: Peter 2: 4-9**

*You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood.*

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL READING: John 14: 1-12**

*I am the way, the truth and the life.*

#### **MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:**

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

#### **Confirmation Enrolment Response:**

**Father:** As the community of St Mary's Parish are you ready to help the children come to know and follow Christ?



**All:** We are. We will assist them in this preparation and encourage them to know and follow Christ. May the spirit of God be with us.

#### **From the PP's desk**

A very **Happy Mother's Day** to all women in the parish. May your family show their love and appreciation for all you do on this special day.

Thank you for your welcome to seminarian Carl Sinclair last weekend. Carl was very impressed with our beautiful church and grounds.

We welcome all our Confirmation candidates and their families this weekend. Please remember to pray for the children during this time of preparation.

Welcome also to Minnie Vinnies taking part in our Mass this weekend, before going to do their visitation at the Nursing Homes.

**Fr Tony**



#### **St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal.**

Leaving collection  
next weekend 20/21st  
May.

#### **PLEASE BE AWARE.**

With the colder weather the heaters in Mudgee Church are now turned on. Please be careful especially with the younger children as they are very hot. The side aisles are not heated and maybe a better option.

Liturgy Roster: 20th/21st May

**Day by Day**

**Monday, 15th May**

**9:00am: Mass**

4:00pm: Rosary (Ph 63721115)

**Tuesday, 16th May**

4.00pm Holy Hour

5.00pm Mass Mudgee

**Next Weekend Readings**

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Peter 3: 15-18

John 14: 15-21

**Wednesday, 17th May**

9.00am Mass Mudgee

9.30am St Mary's Friendship Group

2.00pm Funeral Prayer Service Barry Simpson Mudgee.

**Thursday, 18th May**

9:10am Mass Mudgee

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

**12noon** Mass Gulgong AH Yrs 3/4

**Friday, 19th May**

11.00am Communion Service Kanandah Hostel

11:45pm: Rosary in the Church Mudgee

12:30pm Communion Service Mudgee

(Fr Tony Funeral Bathurst)

**Saturday, 20th May**

Wedding Mudgee

5:15pm - 5:45pm: Reconciliation

6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

**Sunday, 21st May - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

9:00am Mass Mudgee - Children's Liturgy

9.30am Rosary Kandos

10:00am: Mass Kandos

10:30am: School/Parish Mass Gulgong

Commitment/Enrolment of all children preparing for the sacraments in 2017.

**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.

**We welcome to the parish community in Baptism this weekend:**



**Chayse Mitchell Reedy**, son of Mitchell and Jaime-lee;

**Charlotte May Honeysett** and **Cooper James Honeysett** children of Ashley and Jessica;

**Connor Luke Saliba** son of Christopher and Samanatha.

<b>Commentator</b>	B.Slater	A. Flynn
<b>Readers</b>	S.Connor I.Byrne	J.Tioseco M.Barrett
<b>Special Minister of Communion</b>	S.Walker A.Baker K.Fitzsimmons	J.Keipert K.Baker E.Biddle
<b>Offertory Procession</b>	Confirmation families.	Confirmation families.
<b>Organist</b>	E.Cooper	R.Newman
<b>Welcomers</b>	Confirmation Families	Confirmation families.
<b>Altar Servers</b>	I.A. Place S.Place B.Roberts J. Ryan	A.Littler H.Briggs M.Halpin K.Hauville
<b>Counters</b>	B. Krzysik 15/5	E.Goodlet 22/5

<b>Gulgong Liturgy Roster</b>	<b>21st May 2017</b>	<b>Kandos Liturgy Roster</b>	<b>21st May 2017</b>
<b>Commentator</b>	P.Hudson		
<b>Reader</b>	J.Thatcher	<b>Readers</b>	H.Roberts T.Ryan
<b>Offertory</b>	E.Ellery Family	<b>Intercessions</b>	M.Turner
<b>Special Minister of Communion</b>	C.Holland M.Carney	<b>Special Minister of Communion</b>	L.McPherson A.Krusvar
<b>Sacristan</b>	E.Donnelly G.Ausburn	<b>Sacristan</b>	T.Doorey Sr Kath

**Masses and prayers requested for the following:**

**We pray for the recently deceased especially** Marie McInroy (Bathurst), Therese Billmon, Marie Barry Simpson (Grafton formerly Mudgee), Barry Rheinberger. A Prayer Service for Therese Billmon was celebrated in Gulgong on Thursday. Our prayers are with Anne and her family.

**We remember the anniversaries of** Lloyd Potts, Fred David, Colleen David, David McLean.

**We also pray for** Jacki Wrenn and the Jones Family, Katalin Dalmay, Millie Isbester, Dorothy Betts, Alice Boyd-Skinner, Alma Thomas and all deceased

**Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time:** Melinda Drew, 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.

**Mudgee News**

**Ministry Sunday:** If you were not here last weekend we invite you to please fill out the Ministry Sheet provided at the back of the church this weekend, clearly indicating your name, address and email. It is important that even if you are already assisting in a ministry that you fill out a new sheet for this year.

**New Parishioner Cards** - available back of the church.

**Children's Liturgy** is now occurring at the 9.00am Mass Mudgee.

A number of visitors including Carl Sinclair, the visiting seminarian commented on our beautiful church and grounds. A prayerful place.



**thank you!**

Thank you to all who contributed in our region for the Good Shepherd appeal last weekend. \$1884.70 was raised.

**Gulgong News**

**Next Sunday 21st May at 10.30am is the Parish/ School Mass for Term 2.** All children who are to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2017 will make their commitment/enrolment at this Mass. A morning tea will follow the Mass. Parents are invited to bring a plate of food for sharing.

**Goolma Mass** - Saturday 29th July at 9.30am Mass will be celebrated at St Francis Xavier, Goolma.

**Kandos News**

Thank you to Fr Mark McGuigan who will continue to celebrate the Sunday Mass in Kandos and Rylstone while Fr Antony is on holidays.

**Clergy Report for April**

**Baptism total 17**

14 Mudgee  
2 Gulgong  
1 Kandos

**Weddings**

1 Ceremony Mudgee

**Funerals**

1 Funeral at Mudgee  
Sick Calls 5 in our Region



to  
**New Parishioners.**

The Mudgee Parish Pastoral Council will host a morning tea on **Pentecost Sunday 4th June after 9.00am Mass.** We invite everyone to wear something **RED** to Mass on this weekend.

If you are a new parishioner to the parish in recent years or know of other people who are, please advise the Parish Office so we can organise an invitation.

All parishioners are invited to come along and make this a whole parish event.

**RSVP: 31st May**

**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](mailto:office.wellington@cdob.org.au)

**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](mailto: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**

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

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

**Tuesday 30th May** 2nd Parent Information session for Confirmation - Mudgee

**Sunday 4th June:** Mass and welcome morning tea for new parishioners Mudgee.

**17/18th June** Mudgee/Gulgong Confirmation weekend.

*To change the world we must be good to those who cannot repay us.  
Pope Francis*



**A Blessing of Body, Mind and Spirit for Mothers of All Sorts, Sizes and Shapes**

O mothers, one and all, some of you have carried your children in your womb. Others of you have welcomed babes in need of your attention who come to you from another birth mother. May the love you've poured forth return to you in plenitude.

O mothers, do not live in regret of what you wished you had not. As you look back on your mothering, may you remember that you tried to do your best, given the circumstances.

O mothers, those of you for whom much of your life with your children is before you, do not imagine you can do this alone. Remember it takes a lot of leaning on the Divine Mother whose heart enfolds every mother and child. May you draw strength daily from her kindly sustenance.

O mothers, do not forget to care for yourself. Find what enriches and gladdens your heart. Be good to your body and spirit. Remember you are worthy of care and attention. May you have the vitality it takes to give generously of yourself.

O mothers, you who have gone on to another sphere of life, we welcome our memories of you and remember how much you mean to us. May the peace you now have flow into the weary and troubled hearts of mothers everywhere.

O mothers, for the countless times your hard work and generous self-giving was never thanked or acknowledged, was rejected or taken for granted, may you know yourself loved and appreciated today.

O mothers, we call today on the Divine Mother to draw you to her spacious heart, to replenish what needs revitalisation in you. May you know yourself loved and appreciated today.

Of all the rights of women,  
the greatest is to be a  
mother.



**Prayer for Confirmation Candidates**



*God of all ages,  
You send out Your spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent.*

*Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice.*

*Open their hearts to Your spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them.*

*As I prepare my child for Confirmation, make me an instrument of Your love.*

*Teach me to reverence what is holy in others, and to be patient with what I do not understand.*

*Deepen my faith in the gospel and help me to pass it on by example.*

*I pray that You will continue to guide me and sustain me.*

*We praise you through Christ our Lord.*

*Amen*

**Calling for Expressions of Interest - Pilgrimage to Vietnam**

The Catholic Diocese of Bathurst is calling for expressions of interest from interested members of the community to participate in a pilgrimage to Vietnam in January 2018.

This pilgrimage is an opportunity to experience the culture and spirituality of Vietnam and its people. The proposed pilgrimage will be for 11 days and will be escorted by two of our Seminarians, Dong Nguyen and Nam Le.

**Highlights will include;**

Saigon, Daklak, Hoi An, Hue, Vinh via La Vang Shrine, Vinh Diocese, Ninh Binh and Hanoi: the capital of Vietnam.

The cost of the pilgrimage is estimated to be approximately \$3,000 per person and will include most meals and all travel.

If you are interested in more information about this proposed pilgrimage, please contact Deacon Josh at the Chancery by the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

Please note: numbers are limited to 25 pilgrims.

Contact details: Deacon Josh Clayton  
email: [ministries@bathurst.catholic.org.au](mailto:ministries@bathurst.catholic.org.au)

