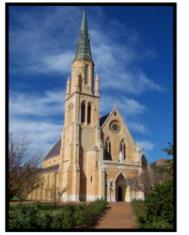


The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!



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 Wiradjuri country. May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.

National Reconciliation Week

27th May -3rd June

‘Let’s take the next step’.



The Ascension of the Lord - Year A 28th May 2017

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Monday: 10.00am - 4.00pm

Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri

9.00am - 4.00pm

Staff Lunch Break

1.00pm - 2.00pm



St Mary's Pastoral Council

welcome you to a

Mass and Morning Tea for New Parishioners

Next Sunday 4th June, 9.00am

(Pentecost)

Don't forget to wear RED to Mass next weekend.

All parishioners are invited to come along and bring anyone they know who is new to the parish in recent years. Let's make this a whole parish celebration.

To assist with catering please **RSVP: 31st May**

Please call the Parish Office Ph 63722122

email: office.mudgee@cdob.org.au

From the PP's desk

Our grateful thanks to Fr Mark McGuigan for his supply to Kandos and Rylstone while Fr Antony has been on leave. It has very much appreciated by the parishioners. Fr Antony returns at the end of next week.

The St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal was held last weekend. Thank you to all who contributed.

Next Sunday is Pentecost and our welcome morning tea to new parishioners. Please all come along and make this a whole parish celebration as we welcome those who are newly arrived.

This weekend we pray and acknowledge the first people of this land in faith and culture.

Fr Tony

PLEASE BE AWARE.

Please be careful of the heaters in the centre isles, especially with the younger children as they are very hot. The side aisles are not heated and maybe a better option.

Liturgy Roster: 3rd/4th June

Day by Day

Monday, 29th May

9:00am: Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
4:00pm: Rosary (Ph 63721115)

Tuesday, 30th May

10.30pm Liturgy meeting
4.00pm Holy Hour
5.00pm Mass
1.30pm & 7.00pm Second Confirmation Parent session Mudgee.

Wednesday, 31st May

9.00am Mass: SMCS YR 7
9.30am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group
4.30pm Confirmation class for State School children Gulgong

Thursday, 1st June

9:10am Mass Mudgee - SMCS YR 5
10:30am: St Mary's & St Matthews Playgroup
12noon Mass Gulgong YRS 5/6
3.45pm Confirmation class for State School children Mudgee.

Friday, 2nd June

10.30am Communion Service Opal Nursing Home
11:45pm: Rosary in the Church Mudgee
12 - 12.15pm Reconciliation
12:30pm Mass

Next Weekend Readings:

Acts 2:1-11
Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13
John 20:19-23

Saturday, 3rd June

Baptism Mudgee
1.00pm Mudgee Josephite Associates. All welcome.
5:15pm - 5:45pm: Reconciliation
6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

Sunday, 4th June - Pentecost

DON'T FORGET TO WEAR SOMETHING RED.

9:00am Mass Mudgee - Children's Liturgy
WELCOME MORNING TEA TO NEW PARISHIONERS
9.30am Rosary Kandos
10:00am: Mass Kandos
10:30am: Mass Gulgong.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE

National Leaders.

That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimises so many innocent people.

Commentator	J.Cross	M.McLean
Readers	I.Byrne C.Bourke	A.McLean J.Tioseco
Special Minister of Communion	S.Walker J.Vros E.Day	G.Hennessy Simon Bennett Susie Bennett
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	A.Littler H.Briggs M.Halpin K.Hauville
Counters	J.Cavanagh 29/5	D.Bennett 5/6

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	4th June 2017	Kandos Liturgy Roster	4th June 2017
<i>Commentator</i>	R.Saliba		
<i>Reader</i>	M.McGregor	Readers	A.Krusvar M.Turner
<i>Offertory</i>	W & H Gleeson	Intercessions	Sr Kath
<i>Special Minister of Communion</i>	M.Carney E.Holland	Special Minister of Communion	H.Roberts Sr Kath
<i>Sacristan</i>	M & E Carney	Sacristan	H.Roberts

Masses and prayers requested for the following:
We pray for the recently deceased especially Stan Brown, Ron Lane (Heathcote), Robin McInness (member of the Shalom Community, Carcoar).
We remember the anniversaries of Victor and Genevieve Newman, Bill Milton, James Robinson, Allan Robinson Ron Gorman.
Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Carmel Van Straalen, Stuart Ogg, Melinda Drew, Andrew McPhee, Tom Sheridan, Carissa Gleeson, Jason Seis, Dorothy Davidson, Annie Weiss, Mary Cannon, Margaret Tuxford Spicer, Julie Collins, Rosa Maria Santos and the residents of all the nursing homes.

LET THE CHURCH ALWAYS BE A PLACE OF
**MERCY AND HOPE, WHERE EVERYONE IS WELCOMED
LOVED AND FORGIVEN.**

Pope Francis

Gulgong News

Commitment/Registration for the Sacraments: A big thank you to the "Hummingbirds" who led the congregation in song at the Mass last Sunday. Thank you to all who helped/attended the morning tea after Mass.

Gulgong State School Classes for Confirmation Candidates are held each Wednesday 4.30pm in the Convent. Contact Louise Butlin for details.

Gulgong Catholic Women's Group: Tuesday 6th June, 2.00pm in the Convent. Please bring donations for the Raffle to the meeting.

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

Gulgong Confirmation Mass, Sunday 18th June will be at **11.00am.**

The repairs from the January storms started on St Mary's Church and Convent this week. We are grateful to the workers for their workmanship and skills, returning the church back to its former beauty.



St Matthews Catholic School Kinder Readiness Program is in it's second week. A reminder to parents enrolments for 2018 Kindergarden close on 30th June.

Head Count from last weekend for the Diocese

Mudgee	
Saturday	132
Sunday	185
Gulgong	
Sunday	81
Kandos	
Sunday	69

"Life is very short and what we have to do must be done in the now"

Mudgee News

Mudgee Josephite Associates Meeting: June meeting next Saturday, 3rd June at 1.00pm in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

Fund raising lunch for our Seminarians: 12 Midday Thursday 8th June, 3 Acacia Grove. Please RSVP to Sandy Walker 63722441 by 31st May.

Children's Liturgy is held at the 9.00am Mass in Mudgee each Sunday during school term.

Repairs to Mudgee Church & Parish Centre: Work has started on the Church and Convent. While there will be some inconvenience during this time, some areas will need to be cordoned off for safety during this time. We ask that you please **do not** park inside the front yard of the church to assist with the movement of equipment.

Thank you from St Vincent de Paul.



St Vincent de Paul held their Annual Winter Appeal last weekend.

\$2625 was collected in our region.

St Vincent de Paul wish to thank you on behalf of the needy in our area. The money will assist some of these families through these difficult times of uncertainty.

For those who missed out on the collection last weekend and would still like to donate - there envelopes are at the back of the church. Alternately you may donate at the SVdP Centres.

Volunteers are always needed. If you think you can assist either in the store, sorting, assisting in the shop or at Conference please call at the St Vincent de Paul for further information

Calling for Expressions of Interest - Pilgrimage to Vietnam

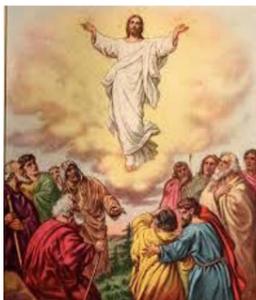
The Catholic Diocese of Bathurst is calling for expressions of interest from interested members of the community to participate in a pilgrimage to Vietnam in January 2018. This pilgrimage is an opportunity to experience the culture and spirituality of Vietnam and its people. The proposed pilgrimage will 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 30th June 2017. Please note: numbers are limited to 25 pilgrims. Contact details: Deacon Josh Clayton email: ministries@bathurst.catholic.org.au Mobile: 0458 261 513

- DATES FOR THE DIARY**
- Tuesday 30th May, 10.30am:** Mudgee Liturgy Group meeting.
 - Thursday 1st & 8th June** Confirmation lessons for State school children - Parish Centre.
 - Thursday 15th June: 9.00am - 3.00pm** Confirmation Retreat Day Mudgee Confirmation Retreat Day Gulgong,
 - Tuesday 30th May:** 2nd Parent Information session for Confirmation - Mudgee 1.30pm and a repeat session at 7.00pm.
 - Sunday 4th June:** Pentecost Sunday Mass and Welcome Morning Tea for new parishioners Mudgee.
 - 17 / 18th June** Mudgee Confirmation Saturday Vigil Mass 6.00pm and Sunday 9.00am Mass.
 - 18th June** Gulgong Confirmation Mass 11.00am.
 - 25th June** 4.00pm - Mudgee Post Confirmation and Youth Mass.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



FIRST READING: Acts 1:1-11

Why are you standing here looking into the sky? Jesus has been taken into heaven.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **R.**

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise.. **R.**

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **R.**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:17-23

He made Jesus to sit at his right hand in heaven.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 28:16-20

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

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Waterhole: is the centre of life. Where man, animal and plant life, even birds of the air all meet together and share the water.

The Cross: brings us to a more spiritual connection of life of the Creator, which helps us to have a better attitude towards each other, with respect and

great love for God.

The Footprints: tells us that we are not alone on our journeys, that Christ is with us too.

Painting and story by Melveena Welsh

GOSPEL CONNECTIONS: The Great Commission

So many times in a single day we are given the chance to share the love of God, but often we are so afraid of what others may think that we put it aside. We let our thoughts get in the way of actions that could possibly save a life for Christ. Sometimes we just have to break out of our shell and let others know the greatness of God. Witnessing can be a smile that lets others know someone cares, or it may be actually sitting down and telling others about the gospel story.

When given the chance, let others know that someone cares. Share the love of Christ today with someone who really needs him.

A woman saw a little girl in the street playing with rubbish. The child was poorly dressed and ill-nourished. The woman became angry and said to God, 'Why do you let a thing like that happen in the world you created? Why don't you do something about it?' God replied, 'I did something about it - I sent you'.

This week's gospel passage has become known as Jesus' Great Commission - his final instructions to his followers. After the events of Jesus' death and resurrection, the disciples probably wished they had listened more closely and carefully to what Jesus had to say. Undoubtedly, they were listening carefully by this time: and so should we!

Jesus challenged his disciples with a commission, kind of like a job assignment. The disciples were to spread Jesus' message to the entire earth, making new disciples. And the best part was, the disciples didn't have to go alone. The Holy Spirit would be with them all the way.

Jesus' Great Commission is our calling too. The message of God's love and forgiveness is for people of all nations. But we don't have to travel far - our jobs starts right at our front door with our friends, families, and neighbours. The job requirements? Someone who's willing to speak up about God's incredible love.

You have the message. Think of how it's changed your life. Jesus has also promised to stick by your side through everything. So what are you waiting for?

How have you been challenged to act on the good news in your everyday life?

Prayer for our Children preparing for the Sacraments.



Loving God,

Pour out your blessing

Upon our beloved children,

That during this time of Sacramental preparation

They may grow closer to you,

And come to know your special love for them.

May this time of preparation be a time of blessing

For our families and our community,

And unite us all in your great love.

Amen.



***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