

The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!



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



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.



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A 13th August 2017

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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

FIRST READING: Kings 19: 9, 11-13

Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land.
(R)

Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. **(R)**

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. **(R)**

SECOND READING: Romans 9:1-5

I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I hope in the Lord,
I trust in his word. Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING:

Matthew 14: 22-33

Command me to come to you over the water.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

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



**Feast of the
Assumption
Tuesday 15th
August
Holy Day of
Obligation**

The Assumption of Mary into Heaven, often shortened to the Assumption and also known as the Feast of Saint Mary the Virgin, mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ and the Falling Asleep of the Blessed Virgin at the end of her earthly life.

MINISTRY WORKSHOP MUDGEE, GULGONG AND KANDOS PARISHIONERS.

TUESDAY 23RD AUGUST

Kandos Parish Hall
10.00AM - 1.00PM

AND

MONDAY 28TH AUGUST

3.45PM TO 6.45PM

All Hallows School Gulgong.

PRESENTERS

Deacon Josh Clayton

and Deacon Charles Applin.

Light refreshments provided.

The workshop will explore ways that communities, especially small communities can meet, worship, share their faith and continue to be on mission to their community even if Mass cannot occur each Sunday.

Mudgee parishioners who participate in Ministry of the Word or Minister of the Eucharistic are strongly encouraged to attend one of these sessions, either at Kandos or Gulgong. The Workshop is for us all, we all need to contribute.

"The Sunday celebration of the Lord's Day and his Eucharist is at the heart of the Church's life."

Day by Day

Monday, 14th August

NO COMMUNION SERVICE

11.00am Requiem Mass Enid Devoy

4:00pm: Rosary (Ph 63721115)

Tuesday, 15th August - Feast of the Assumption

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass 10.30am Gulgong - School and parishioners

Mass Mudgee - 12.20pm St Matthews School

Parishioners welcome to attend.

Mass Kandos - 12 noon

Mass Mudgee - 5.45pm.

LITURGY MEETING 11.00AM

Second Parent session for First Holy Communion Mudgee

1.30pm an 7.00pm in the Parish Centre.

Wednesday, 16th August

Mass 9.00am in the Parish Centre.

9.30am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group.

Parish Centre. All welcome

Thursday, 17th August

Mass 9.10am in the Parish Centre.

10.30 St Matthews & St Mary's Playgroup

12 Noon Mass Gulgong

3.30pm First Holy Communion State

School lesson Mudgee

Friday, 18th August

11.00am Mass Kanandah Hostel.

12.30pm Mass in the Parish Centre.

Saturday, 19th August

5:15pm - 5:45pm: Reconciliation

6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

Sunday, 20th August

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

9:00am Mass Mudgee (Children's Liturgy)

10.30am Mass Gulgong

9.30am Rosary Kandos

10.00am Mass Kandos

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST

Artists.

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

Liturgy Roster: 19th/20th August.

Commentator	B.Slater	M.Matthews
Readers	P.Cannon M.Melinz	J,Hanrahan L.Littler
Special Minister of Communion	L.Nicholson D.Cunningham E. Biddle	R.McKeown J.Keipert B.Murphy
Offertory Procession	Hendy /Urszek families	Keightley/ Santucci Family
Gospel Procession	Summer Pettitt	Jess Johnson
Organist	E.Cooper	R.Newman
Welcomers	Chapman/ Walker-Cooke Families	Halpin/Simpson families
Altar Servers	H.Vo A.Duncan A.Burgoyne S.Hawes	A.Littler H.briggs M.Halpin K.Hauville
Counters	S.Robinson 14/8	M.Walker 21/8

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	20th August 2017	Kandos Liturgy Roster	20th August 2017
<i>Commentator</i>	E.Donelly		
<i>Reader</i>	L.Hope	<i>Readers</i>	C.D'Ilio K.Morrissey
<i>Offertory</i>	M & C Gaudry	<i>Intercessions</i>	Sr Kath
<i>Special Minister of Communion</i>	C.Holland R.Saliba	<i>Special Minister of Communion</i>	A.Krusvar L.McPherson
<i>Sacristan</i>	M & E Carney	<i>Sacristan</i>	T.Doorey

Masses and prayers requested for the following:

We pray for the recently deceased especially

Gerald (Gerry) Doherty, Enid Devoy, Raymond Buckley (Tooraweenah), Kerry Dale (Charbon), Annie Weiss (Canberra), Helmut Muller, Sonia Lopez Tioseco (Philippines mother of Gboy), Brian Duffy.

We remember the anniversaries of Bruce Maloney, Ben Roberts, Emilia Sfechich, Edna Catherine Power, Bill McRae, Chris Shearman, Katalin Dalmay and Millie Isbester.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Helen Ryan, Terry Ryan, John Baggett, Gwen Ausburn, Tony Gillham, Evan & Jan Bucknell, Carmel Van Straalen,, 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. Special Intentions.

Gulgong News

Gulgong Catholic Women's Group:

The ladies will host a farewell morning tea for Fr Antony at Mayne Street Cafe on Thursday 24th August. Please place your name on the list at the back of the church or ph Margaret Evans 63741327.

Ministry Workshop Gulgong:

Monday 28th August, 3.45 to 6.45pm. All Hallows School Hall.

Gulgong Parish Farewell for Fr Antony.

Light Lunch after Mass Sunday 27th August in the All Hallows school Hall. Ladies please bring a plate.

All Hallows School Production

"A Night at the Drive In" on Thursday 24th August in the Prince of Wales Opera House. Two shows 11.00am or 7.00pm. Seats limited, tickets free but must be pre-booked. Available now from the school.

Mudgee Farewell for Fr Antony

Unfortunately due to the Sunday Mass schedule it isn't possible to have the farewell on a Sunday after Mass.

Father will offer the Mass at 12.30pm on Friday 25th August. Following Mass we will host a lunch in the Parish Centre to say farewell and thank you to Fr Antony.

Everyone is invited. Please RSVP to the Parish Office or by email to office.mudgee@cdob.org.au.

If you wish to contribute a cash donation to Fr Antony as a parting gift please place in an envelope and leave at the parish office.

Contributions of quiche/soup/sausage rolls/sweet welcome. Please contact the Parish office for further details.

Mudgee News

MUDGEE JOSEPHITE ASSOCIATES:

Mudgee associates are invited to attend 9.00am Mass next Sunday 20th August in remembrance of their founding leader, Vonnie Gilders (the first anniversary of her death). Morning tea will follow at Cafe 89.

Kandos News

Feast of the Assumption Mass at 12 noon, St. Dominic's Kandos.

Ministry Workshop - Kandos

Wednesday, 23rd August 10.00am to 1.00pm. Facilitated by Deacon Charles Applin & Deacon Josh Clayton. Light lunch provided.

The workshop is for everyone. Please collect an invitation from the back of the church.

Please RSVP to Sr Kath by Friday 19th August.

NALAG MUDGE

Grief Muster Mustering the Courage to Grieve.

This is a time to honour and celebrate lives lost and to reflect on major changes in our lives.

We will hold a short Remembering Service followed by light refreshments.

A **FREE** community event for Grief Awareness Month 2017.

11.00am Saturday 26th August

Lawson Park,

(near the BBQ area and playground) Please RSVP to

Email: mudgee@nalag.org.au

Phone: 0488 225 710

Mass/Service Timetable for September

Mudgee: Saturday Vigil 6.00pm;
Sunday 9.00am

Weekday times to stay the same for now.

GULGONG and KANDOS/RYLSTONE

This will work on alternate weeks -

Week 1 - Sunday 3rd September

Mass Kandos 11.00am Mass

Service in the Absence of the Priest in Gulgong at 10.30am.

Week 2 - Sunday 10th September

Mass Gulgong at 10.30am

Service in the Absence of the Priest Rylstone 11.00am

Week 3 - Sunday 17th September

Mass Rylstone 11.00am

Service in the Absence of the Priest in Gulgong 10.30am

Week 4: Sunday 24th September

Mass Gulgong at 10.30am

Service in the Absence of the Priest Kandos 11.00am

Ministry Formation Program

The Diocese of the Bathurst is introducing a new initiative known as The Ministry Formation Program (MFP). The program intends to inspire and equip men and women to work in different forms of ministry across the Diocese. This formation will give them a basis for ongoing development to support the mission of the local church. This will enhance existing ministries for parish liturgies, hospital, aged care and prison visitation and catechesis of adults and children. It will enable us to expand services in areas such as funeral and bereavement teams and university ministry.

The first part of the program will be a series of enquiry and introductory sessions with Bishop Michael and the formation team

**Mudgee Saturday 25th August
10.30 - 12.30pm**

For more information, please contact Deacon Josh Clayton on 6334 6400 or via email:

ministries@bathurst.catholic.org.au

Mudgee Host Family Respite service moves to Lifeskills Plus.



Lifeskills is pleased to be the new providers of host family respite services in MWR area. Registered host family volunteers open their lives, and often their homes, to provide safe environments and positive experiences. This is where opportunities, fun and friendships happen.

People interested in accessing respite, or people wishing to become host family volunteers please contact Janet 0263726440

All volunteers are required to undertake a national criminal record check as well as a working with children check prior to commencing volunteering

“Lord! Save me!”

Some people think that, if you have enough faith, life will be all plain sailing. But at some time or other we all face difficult and trying circumstances and situations in our lives. Faith does not shield us from the harsh knocks of life. At those times it is as if the Lord is asking us to walk on water. But in the same instance he stretches out his hand and holds us up.



To live by faith means to trust God and to rely on God’s power. God won’t carry us but will hold us up if we let go. We are called to take the risk; only then can God help us.

Peter knew that whatever Jesus commanded was possible. It was really a way of testing faith. They had all just seen him cure people, teach them, feed five thousand people with a little bread and fish. Peter has no doubt that what Jesus commands will happen. But the command needs a response, and we learn that the success of the response depends on his faith. Peter has no choice but to leave the boat and risk his life to learn perhaps the most valuable lesson: the realisation of both his own weakness and the power of Jesus. If Peter had stayed in the boat, his faith would have been worthless and never tested.

Peter is the model of a very human journey of faith. He seeks, he steps, he fails, he is saved, he praises – and it all repeats again. If we say we are Christians and never make a step like Peter, trusting our faith and trusting Christ, then how do we know we really do believe? Every time Peter tried to show his faith, he failed: he betrayed Jesus verbally, he ran away ... and in this week’s story he took his eyes off Jesus and began to sink. But every time he fell and his faith failed, he rose up again and became close to Christ. He had the good sense at least to call out for help. In the moments of his weakness he knew enough to reach out to Christ. The failures of Peter only made him love Christ more – only made him rely on Christ more.

The sea is often used as a metaphor for life. Perhaps the Gospel is saying that no matter how dark life might be, and no matter how high the waves are or how rough the sea, Jesus is still able to reach us and is still able to lift us out of life’s trauma, if only we trust him totally and keep our eyes fixed on him. God does not necessarily work by way of miracles in our lives. God probably doesn’t want us walking on water. The Lord simply assures us that God will be with us always. And when our faith is weak or when it fails completely, we can still be like Peter and call out: “Lord! Save me!”

Ridgecrest Convention Centre

The Youth Ministry Team of the Diocese of Bathurst is excited to announce that the Diocesan Youth Festival is on soon!

After many great years of BLAST, we have developed a new, fresh and exciting identity and our Youth Festival will now be called RISE Youth Festival.

This year, RISE will occur on 27th - 28th September at Ridgecrest Convention Centre, Lake Burrendong. It is a celebration and experience of an explosion of possibilities in their lives.

From the Diocese.....

POSITIONS VACANT

Manager, Financial Services - Bathurst

The Diocese is seeking a Manager, Financial Services who is suitably skilled, experienced and has the ability to manage the implementation of the diocesan financial strategy.

The successful candidate will effectively provide all levels of required day to day support for the financial and administration services of the parishes, diocesan entities and the CDF, and will be a member of the leadership team of the Catholic Diocese of Bathurst.

View the full position description at www.bathurst.catholic.org.au. Applications close 18 August 2017. Enquiries should be directed to Mr Patrick Cooper, Diocesan Financial Administrator on 6334 6400.

Catholic Prison Chaplain, Wellington

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and motivated persons for the position of Catholic Prison Chaplain to the newly established Macquarie Correctional Centre, Wellington.

The Catholic Chaplain will be the inaugural chaplain for the Centre, but will work co-operatively with the chaplaincy team at the existing Wellington Correctional Centre. The Chaplain will provide pastoral support to approximately 400 inmates and staff.

Full details of the position can be viewed at www.bathurst.catholic.org.au. Applications close 28 August 2017. Enquires should be directed to Mr Tony Eviston, Chancellor on 6334 6400.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD & RELIGIOUS LIFE. LORD of the Harvest,

BLESS young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call. Open their hearts to great ideals, to great things.

INSPIRE all of your disciples to mutual love and giving—for vocations blossom in the good soil of faithful people.

INSTILL those in religious life, parish ministries, and families with the confidence and grace to invite others to embrace the bold and noble path of a life consecrated to you.

UNITE us to Jesus through prayer and sacrament, so that we may cooperate with you in building your reign of mercy and truth, of justice and peace. Amen.

— Pope Francis

Adapted from the Message on the 51st World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

**WHEN YOU HEAR
GOD'S VOICE TODAY,
HARDEN NOT YOUR HEART!**

Vocations Are Everybody's Business