

*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.**



## Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A 29th October 2017

### Parish Priest

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### Parish Office Hours

**Monday:** 10.00am - 4.00pm

**Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri**

### *from the PP's desk ..... Fr Tony*

*This weekend we have the First Reconciliation Commitment/enrolment. We welcome the children and their families as they continue their faith journey.*

*Thank you all who contributed to the World Wide Mission Appeal last weekend. The funds will enable Mission Australia to continue to support those in need in Vietnam. Please continue to pray for their mission work throughout the world.*

*This weekend is the Pastoral Council Diocesan Assembly in Bathurst. Our prayers are with them.*

*The HSC exams are almost finished we pray for those who still have exams during this next week.*

### **DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION IN MUDGEE.**

To assist new parishioners and visitors to Mudgee the process for receiving Communion at weekend celebration of the Mass is as follows: The people from the side aisles come to Communion first via the centre followed by the people in the centre aisle starting from the front seat.

### **FIRST READING: Exodus 22:20-26**

*If you are harsh with the widow or the orphan, my anger will rage against you.*

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

**Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.**

I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour. My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold. The Lord is worthy of all praise: when I call I am saved from my foes. **(R)**

Long life to the Lord, my rock!

Praised be the God, who saves me.

He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. **(R)**

### **SECOND READING:**

**Thessalonians 1: 5-10**

*You turned away from idols to serve God and await his Son.*

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. **Alleluia!**

### **GOSPEL READING: Matthew 22: 34-40**

*You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.*

### **MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:**

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

### **FIRST RECONCILIATION COMMITMENT**

**Fr Tony:** Parishioners, are you ready to pray for these children and their parents as they embark on this new stage of their journey of life?

**Parishioners: WE ARE**



### **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS this Sunday**

**Sunday 29th October at 10.30am.**

A special Ecumenical service in the church grounds of St John's Anglican Church this Sunday. Bring along your pet to be blessed. Sausage sizzle and drinks by donation. All welcome to celebrate St Francis of Assisi - Patron Saint of animals.

## Day by Day

### Monday, 30th October

9.00am Mass

4.00pm Rosary (63721115)

11.30am Gulgong Funeral Prayers for Lorna Farr.

### Tuesday, 31st October

4.00pm Holy Hour

5.00pm Mass

### Wednesday 1st November - ALL SAINTS DAY

**9.30am Mass GULGONG** (All Hallows School Feast Day)

**10.00am** Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion Rylstone.

**12 noon Mass Mudgee**

9.30am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group meet in the Presbytery.

### Thursday, 2nd November - ALL HOLY SOULS

9.10am Mass Mudgee

(SMCS Hargraves House Mass)

**NO** Mass Gulgong

**6.00pm Mass at Mudgee Cemetery**

**BRING A CHAIR OR RUG TO SIT ON.**



All Souls Day

### Readings for next weekend

*Malachi:*

*1:14-2, 2:8-10*

*Thessalonians*

*2:7-9,13*

*Matthew*

*23:1-12*

### Friday, 3rd November

10.30am Mass Opal Nursing Home

12 - 12.15 Reconciliation

12.30pm Mass

### Saturday, 4th November

Baptism - Mudgee

5:15pm - 5:45pm: Reconciliation

6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

### Sunday, 5th November

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

10.30am Gulgong

Sunday Celebration of the Word with Holy Communion.

10.30am Rosary Kandos

11.00am Mass Kandos

## Saturday 4th/ Sunday 5th November 2017

Commentator	J.Cross	M.McLean
Readers	L.Schreck S.Walker	M.Downey E.Goodwin
Special Minister of Communion	A.Baker J.Vros	R.Gawthorne G.Hennessy J.Jeipert
Offertory Procession	Vo Family	E.Csuba M.Knight
Organist	E.Cooper	R.Newman
Welcomers	B.Cluff N.Lynch	E.Csuba M.Knight
Altar Servers	Jack, Jade & Jessica Newman D.Day	O.Portelli H.Portelli C.Wilson R.Wilson
Counters	D.Donnelly 30/10	J.Potts 6/11

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	5th November 2017	Kandos/ Rylstone Liturgy Roster	5th November 2017
<i>Commentator</i>	E.Holmes		
<i>Reader</i>	R.Saliba	<i>Readers</i>	K.Gare L.PcPherson
<i>Offertory</i>	P.Lenard L.Hope	<i>Intercessions</i>	P.O'Connor
<i>Special Minister of Communion</i>	J.Thatcher C.Holland	<i>Special Minister of Communion</i>	M.Turner H.Roberts
<i>Sacristan</i>	Z.Drew M O'Brien	<i>Sacristan</i>	H.Roberts

### Masses and prayers requested for the following:

**We pray for the recently deceased especially**  
Lorna Farr (Sydney formerly Gulgong).



**We remember the anniversaries of** Val Croake, Nell Menchin, Giuseppe Spina, Maria Leotta, Eileen Frances French, Garry Cover, Colin Isbester, Miriam Loneragan and Phil Begley.

**Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time:** Helen Ryan, John Baggett, Gwen Ausburn, Tony Gillham, Evan & Jan Bucknell, Melinda Drew, Andrew McPhee, Tom Sheridan, Carissa Gleeson, Jason Seis, Dorothy Davidson, Mary Cannon, Margaret Tuxford Spicer, Julie Collins, Rosa Maria Santos and the residents of all the nursing homes, Special Intentions.



### Congratulations to:

**Brendan James O'Reilly and Rachael Anne Walsh** who celebrated the Sacrament of marriage in St Mary's this weekend.

**Baptism:** We welcome in baptism this weekend **Hudson Fredrick John O'Reilly** son of Timothy and Sarah.







**Congratulations**  
to **Greg & Sue**  
**Robinson**  
celebrating their  
50th Wedding  
Anniversary.

Married at St Mary's on  
14th October 1967.  
Our best wishes to you both.

### GOOD NEWS

- \* *Flowering of the St Mary's Pink roses in the last week of Pink Up Mudgee.*
- \* *All Hallows School Gulgong Jump Rope for Heart the enthusiasm of the children participating.*
- \* *Good attendance at the Kandos Liturgy Training last Wednesday.*

### Dates for the Diary

**October/November** - HSC Exams continue in the Parish Centre.

**1st November** All Saints Day  
9.30am Mass Gulgong. All Hallows School Feast Day.

**Thursday 2nd November** -  
Feast of All Souls  
Mass 9.10am Mudgee  
Mass 6.00pm. Mudgee Cemetery Mass.

**6th -10th November** - Priests Retreat Galong.

**11th November** - Remembrance Day  
11am Service Roberson Park, Mudgee

**Monday 13th November** - Cemetery  
Mass Gulgong 6.00pm

**Wednesday 15th November**  
Cemetery Mass Rylstone 6.00pm.

**Sunday 19th November** Mudgee  
Mass 9.00am and First Reconciliation  
Post Celebration and cuppa for  
30th Anniversary Celebration for Fr Tony.

**Saturday/Sunday 25th/26th Nov.**  
Feast of Christ the King - we are all encouraged to wear something white as part of this celebration.

**27th November** - 10.30am Morning Tea Fr Tony's 30th Anniversary of Ordination at All Hallows school. Morning Tea All Hallows

**Sunday 3rd December** Remembrance Mass in Mudgee 9.00am for all who have had a funeral in our region this year followed by the Christmas Brunch.

**Gulgong Catholic Womens Group**  
Christmas Party Monday 4th December.

**9th/10th December** St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal.

**Monday 25th December** -  
Community Christmas Day Lunch at the Baptist Church.

### ATTENTION MUDGEE

#### SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST (MUDGEE PARISH)

To all who were unable to attend the first session some weeks ago we are offering a second session after Saturday Vigil Mass 6.00pm on Saturday 11th November. A short training session after Mass followed by Vino in the Parish Centre. Ministers who have not yet been commissioned will do so on the First Sunday of Advent 2nd/3rd December.

### November - Month of the Holy Souls

**November is the Month** we pray for our deceased relatives and friends. Beginning with All Saints Day (1st Nov) and All Souls Day (2nd Nov)

**Mass Offerings:** Envelopes are available this weekend. All Mass requests will be placed in the book of remembrance.

**Thursday 2nd November:** Mass Mudgee at the Cemetery, 6.00pm.

**Monday 13th November:** Mass Gulgong at the Cemetery 6.00pm

**Wednesday 15th November:** Mass Rylstone at the Cemetery, 6.00pm

### BRING A CHAIR OR RUG TO SIT ON.

If it is raining or inclement weather the Mass will take place in the individual church.

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL MUDGEE

AVAILABLE FROM NEXT WEEKEND  
4th/5th NOVEMBER.

CHRISTMAS CARDS \$6 PER PACK  
COLUMBAN CALENDARS \$9 EACH

CHRISTMAS APPEAL  
WEEKEND OF  
9th/10th December.

### Proposed Christmas Mass Timetable

#### Christmas Eve

5.00pm Mass Kandos  
7.00pm Mass Mudgee  
(Children's Mass)  
9.00pm Mass Mudgee

#### Christmas Day

8.00am Mass Gulgong  
9.30am Mass Mudgee

\* *Community Christmas Day Lunch hosted by the Baptist Church.\**

### KANDOS NEWS

**10.00am Wednesday 1st November**  
**Rylstone All Saints Day** - Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion.

**Kandos Liturgy Training:** Thank you to all who attended the training last weekend.

### GULGONG NEWS

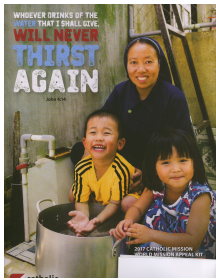
Wednesday 1st November: **All Hallows School Feast Day** celebration beginning with Mass 9.30am.

**Gulgong Catholic Women's Group:**  
Tuesday 7th November. (Melbourne Cup Day) Meeting 1.00pm at 21 Bayly Street followed by sweeps and afternoon tea.

### MUDGEE NEWS

**Mudgee Josephite Associates** next meeting 1.00pm, Saturday 4th November 2017.

**First Reconciliation: Commitment and Enrolment** is also next weekend 4th/5th November at either the 6.00pm Vigil Mass or Sunday 9.00am Mass.



Thank you for your prayers and generous contributions for this year's World Catholic Mission Appeal supporting the forgotten farming families of Vietnam, and throughout the world. Our considered gifts will help provide a new clean drinking water filtration system for the people of the coastal mountain region of Xuan Son. We invite you to consider partnering with us through a regular monthly gift and continue your support of the life-giving work of Catholic Mission.

If you were not here last weekend and wish to donate to the appeal please donate today. Envelopes are available at the back of the church for those who wish to use credit card or direct debit.

**\$1947.90** was collected in our region.



**HYMN:  
A NEW COMMANDMENT**

A new commandment  
I give unto to you,  
That you love one another,  
as I have loved you;  
That you love one another,  
as I have loved you.



By this shall all men know  
that you are my disciples,  
If you have love one for another.  
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**Sunday Mass Regional Timetable**

**Sunday 5th November**

10.30am **Gulgong**  
Sunday Celebration of the Word with Holy Communion.  
11.00am Mass **Kandos**

**Sunday 12th November**

10.30am Mass **Gulgong**  
11.00am **Rylstone** Sunday Celebration of the Word with Holy Communion.

**Sunday 19th November**

10.30am **Gulgong**  
Sunday Celebration of the Word with Holy Communion.  
11.00am Mass **Rylstone**

**Sunday 26th November**

10.30am Mass **Gulgong**  
**11.00am Kandos**  
Sunday Celebration of the Word with Holy Communion.



**CLERGY REPORT SEPTEMBER**

Funeral	2 Mudgee 1 Gulgong
Weddings	3 Mudgee
Baptism	10 Mudgee

**The Law, Love and the Prophets**

In 1976 Muhammad Yunus was a young economics professor at Chittagong University in Bangladesh. Realising that the people in the nearby village of Jobra were struggling to recover from poverty in the aftermath of the terrible 1974 famine, Yunus made a group of forty-two women a small loan of \$27.

Up until then, their only course of action had been to borrow money from loan sharks so they could buy bamboo to make furniture, and hope to claw their way out of destitution. Of course only a lucky few made it that way.

Yunus' loan was the first transaction of what would become the Grameen Bank, or "Bank of the Villages". Today, the bank still specialises in microcredit – providing affordable loans of very modest sums to some of the world's poorest people – and it is estimated that over half of Grameen's fifty million Bangladeshi borrowers have risen out of the acute poverty thanks to their loans. In 2006 Yunus and the bank were jointly awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, "for their efforts to create economic and social development from below".

It is clear that there are commandments within commandments: that is we follow the spirit of the two great commandments, the smaller ones will take care of themselves. For who, with



love in their heart, could mistreat an orphan or a woman who had lost her husband?

So, you might ask, if we have these overarching commandments, what's the point of the detail? Well, as the saying goes: "When you are up to your neck in alligators, it is difficult to remind yourself your initial objective was to drain the swamp!"

Day-to-day reality means it's easy to lose the bigger picture, and at times we need specific guidance to help us deal with the interferences and negotiate the obstacles that life puts in our way. The details can function as stepping stones so that we can haul ourselves up onto them and gradually work our way back out of the swamp to see the bigger picture again. Muhammad Yunus was able to help the women of Jobra most effectively by taking the smallest steps, enabling them to work up to bigger things. Indeed, the Grameen Bank now has over two thousand branches in Bangladesh and continues to expand.

We could perhaps distil Jesus' two great commandments even further into the single word "love". As The Beatles sang, "it's all you need". But the problem is that it becomes something so rarefied, such a large concept, that it's overwhelming, impossible to apply to everyday life. If, on the other hand, we start with small steps, by treating each other with basic fairness and respect, we will get glimpses of the love that Jesus tells us about.

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Gulgong News  
GCWG Christmas Party 4th December , Mayne  
Street Cafe' \$30 pp. RSVP: 30th November. Phil  
0447741256 or Margaret

# Advent and Christmas Daily Reflection Books

**Pope’s Prayer Intention for November:**

Christians in Asia: That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

***Tell us how you get your Catholic  
News***

If you regularly or semi-regularly consume Catholic media, whether that be traditional newspapers, magazines or web-based publications and social media platforms, then the Australian Catholic Media Council wants to hear from you!

The Council has developed a short survey to find out what you value in Catholic media. Do you find that it helps to educate, form,

**MUDGEE PARISH: REPORTING CONCERNS/ISSUES IN THE PARISH:** If you have concerns/issues that need to be addressed please contact the Pastoral Council President, Mrs Julie Keipert via email: [centaur3@bigpond.com](mailto:centaur3@bigpond.com) or phone the parish office and the staff will relay your message to the Council.

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PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE HEATERS IN THE CENTRE ISLES AS THEY ARE VERY HOT.  
PLEASE BE PARTICULARLY AWARE IF YOU HAVE YOUNG CHILDREN.