

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.



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - Year A 26th November 2017

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from the PP's desk

Thank you for your generosity, prayers and cards for my 30th anniversary and good wishes for the future at the Mudgee celebration last weekend.

We congratulate the children in Gulgong and Mudgee parishes who have successfully undertaken their preparation for First Reconciliation this term.

Next Sunday is the annual Parish Brunch in Mudgee. It is a great time to get together socially before the busy rush of preparing for Christmas. Numbers needed for catering can you please place your name on the list at the back of the church TODAY.

Pope Francis encourages us to care for the poor and those in need this is really what the Kingdom of God is about.

The Combined Churches Christmas Day lunch is hosted by the Baptist Church. Please contact 0429 853 800 ASAP if you wish to attend as a guest.

Fr Tony

Mass Of Remembrance

Mudgee

Next Sunday

3rd December, 9.00am

Mass of Remembrance for all in our region who have had a death in their family during this past year. Special occasions like Christmas are times when we miss our loved ones the most and this is always a difficult time. We welcome all to join us on this special occasion as we remember and celebrate their life. After Mass all are welcome to join us for our Christmas Brunch in the church grounds.



**Mudgee Parish Brunch after
9.00am**

Mass next Sunday

To assist with catering -
**PLEASE PLACE YOUR
NAME ON THE LIST AT
THE BACK OF THE
CHURCH TODAY.**



Our prayers and best wishes to the Gulgong children celebrating the Sacrament of First Reconciliation.

**AND HE
SHALL REIGN
FOR
EVER AND EVER .**



Day by Day

Monday, 27th November

8.30am Mass - Fr Tony's 30th Anniversary of Ordination (27/11/1987 at Lithgow).

1.30pm Fr Tony Funeral Orange.

4.00pm Rosary (63721115).

Tuesday, 28th November

4.00pm Holy Hour

5.00pm Mass

Wednesday 29th November -

9.00am Mass SMCS Lawson House Mass

9.00am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group.

Thursday, 30th November

9.10am Mass SMCS YRS 1 & 2

10.30 St Mary's & St Matthews Playgroup.

NO MASS GULGONG

Friday, 1st December

10.30am Opal Nursing Home -
Liturgy of the Word with Holy
Communion.

12 - 12.15 Reconciliation

12.30pm Mass.

Saturday, 2nd December

5:15pm - 5:45pm: Reconciliation

6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

Sunday 3rd December

9:00am Mass of Remembrance
Mudgee for all the those who have
died during the year.

Christmas brunch for Mudgee Parish to follow.

10.30am Gulgong

Sunday Celebration of the Word with
Communion.

10.30am Rosary Kandos

11.00am Mass Kandos

Readings for next weekend

Isaiah

63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8

Corinthians

1:3-9

Mark

13:33-37

Congratulations to

Alex Paul Johnson and Olivia Robyn Kelly

and

Meg Linda Sheridan and Mathew James

Bryant who celebrated their marriage in

Mudgee this weekend.



Baptism: We welcome in Baptism this
weekend **Charles Francis McLaren; Thomas
Alexander McLaren and Jack Kenneth
McLaren** children of Joel and Alexandra.

Lincoln Thomas Craig son of Justin and
Ashley.

Saturday 2nd/ Sunday 3rd December 2017

Commentator	J.Cross	M. McLean
Readers	I.Byrne C.Bourke	A.Wilson A.McLean
Special Minister of Communion	D.Cunningham A.Baker	G.Hennessy S. Bennett D.Salomoni
Offertory Procession	Vo Family	E.Csuba M.Knight
Organist	E.Cooper	R.Newman
Welcomers	HELP NEEDED	M. Charlesworth G. McDermott
Altar Servers	B.Roberts J.Ryan	O.Portelli H.Portelli C.Wilson R.Wilson
Counters	L. Nicholson 27/11	S & G Robinson 4/12

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	3rd Dec. 2017 Leader: S.Parnell	Kandos Liturgy Roster	3rd Dec. 2017
Commentator	M.O'Brien		
Reader	M.McGregor	Readers	T.Doorey M.Turner
Offertory	W & H Gleeson	Intercessions	K.Morrissey
Special Minister of Communion	M.Carney E.Holland	Special Minister of Communion	Sr Kath. L.McPherson
Sacristan	Z.Drew L.Hope	Sacristan	Sr Kath T. Doorey

Masses and prayers requested for the following:

We pray for the recently deceased especially
Seamus Meehan, (Ireland), Helen Ryan, Robert
"Robbie" Gillham, Lorna Farr .



We remember the anniversaries of Ivan Croake,
Victor Newman, Joan Harman, Tom Loy and Ellen Bryant.

**Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this
time:** Jan Kirkman, Gwen Ausburn, Tony Gillham, Gunther Puls,
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.

KANDOS NEWS

Christmas Raffle: Tickets available this weekend at Mass.

Anointing Mass, 6th December at 11.00am: Following the Mass from 12 noon onwards will be the **Parish Christmas Lunch and gathering. Cost \$5pp.** Also included is the 30th Anniversary celebration and thank you to Fr Tony for his three years of service in the Kandos Parish. To assist with catering please contact Carol Morrissey or Sr Kath by Sunday 3rd December.

10th December St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal.

GULGONG NEWS

Gulgong Catholic Women's Group Christmas Party:



Mon. 4th Dec.

Mayne Street Cafe'.

\$30pp. Please RSVP by 30th Nov. to Phil 0 4 4 7 7 4 1 2 5 6 or Margaret 63741327.

Thursday 7th December: All Hallows School Presentation night.

Sunday 10th December

Anointing Mass Gulgong, 10.30am
St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal.

MUDGEE NEWS

MUDGEE JOSEPHITE ASSOCIATES are having a Christmas party on Friday, 1st December after the 12.30pm Mass at the Kai Sun Chinese restaurant in Church Street. The next meeting of the associates will be February 2018.

MUDGEE CHRISTMAS BRUNCH next Sunday 3rd December after 9.00am Mass.

Friday 8th December -12.30pm Mass.
Anointing Mass Mudgee

Sunday 10th December - 6.00pm
Combined Churches Christmas Carols.

Monday 18th December - 7.00pm
2nd Rite of Reconciliation Mudgee

Good News:

The good spirit at Mudgee pre First Reconciliation Celebration on Sunday. Great enjoyment at the morning tea.

The generosity of the couple married at Rylstone last weekend - donation of beautiful flowers for the church.

Sunday Mass Regional Timetable

Sunday 3rd December

10.30am Gulgong Sunday Celebration of the Word with Communion.

11.00am Mass Kandos

Sunday 10th December

10.30am Mass Gulgong

11.00am Rylstone Sunday Celebration of the Word with Communion.

Sunday 17th December

10.30am Gulgong: Sunday Celebration of the Word with Communion.

11.00am Mass Rylstone.

Saturday 23rd December

6.00pm Vigil Mass Mudgee

Sunday 24th December

9.00am Mass Mudgee

10.30am Mass Gulgong

NO SUNDAY SERVICE KANDOS
(5.00PM CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS)

Sunday 31st December

10.30am Gulgong

Sunday Celebration of the Word with Communion.

11.00am **Mass Kandos**

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

CHOSEN: Advent and Christmas - Daily Reflection Book from Wollongong Diocese.

\$4 EACH - FOR SALE AFTER MASS THIS WEEKEND IN MUDGEE

Dates for the Diary

Fri 1st December: Mudgee Josephite Associates Christmas party.

Sunday 3rd December

Remembrance Mass in Mudgee 9.00am followed by Christmas Brunch.

Monday 4th December.

Gulgong Catholic Womens Group Christmas Party.

Wednesday 6th December

Anointing Mass at Kandos followed by lunch (Christmas celebration). Celebration for Fr Tony's 30th Anniversary.

Thursday 7th December

All Hallows School Presentation night.

Friday 8th December

9.30am St Matthews School Infants Presentation.

**** 12.30pm Anointing Mass Mudgee**

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

Sunday 10th December - 10.30am

Anointing Mass Gulgong

Tuesday 12th December

St Matthews School End of Term Mass.

Wednesday 13th December

SMCS Year 6 Mass

Thursday 14th December

St Matthews School Secondary Presentation

Friday 15th December

St Cecilia's Day Concert in St Mary's

Monday 18th December

2nd Rite of Reconciliation

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

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

You, my flock, I judge between sheep and sheep.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

***The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.***

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. **(R)**

Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. **(R)**

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **(R)**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **(R)**

SECOND READING: Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25: 31-46

He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION:

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

Mudgee Combined Churches Christmas Day Lunch
(Christmas Day) Mudgee Baptist Church, 152 Bruce Road. 11.30am for 12pm seating. RSVP: 5th December to

Georgia 0429 160 997.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you can assist with the setting up or helping on Christmas Day it would be much appreciated. Please contact the mobile of Georgia as above or the Baptist Church 63726501 or 0429853800

CLERGY PLACEMENT 2018

Fr Owen Gibbons will take up his new position as Parish Priest of Mudgee on 6th January. Father will be joined by Mr Nam Le who will take a year out from the seminary to gain greater facility in English, and assist in the parishes of Mudgee, Gulgong and Kandos-Rylstone.

GOSPEL CONNESIONS

Jesus Makes Surprising Connections

Many years ago I gave Communion to a man at Mass I recently had served at a homeless shelter. And this hit me: he and I not only share the body of Christ, we also were part of the Body of Christ.

A homeless man and I, part of the same body. It really made me think – just like this week's Gospel.



Christ our king says we serve him when we serve the people considered least in our world. God's Spirit lives in them. God's Spirit also lives in us. Thus, the

connection: we are all part of the same body, the Body of Christ.

The child starving in Africa. The kid without friends. The man begging on the street corner. The old woman alone. The prisoner serving a sentence. And you and I. All part of the same body.

That means we have to change our thinking at times. When our stomachs hurt, we ask why. We might spend time and money for treatment. We rarely judge or ignore it.

But we sometimes treat parts of our spiritual body – the Body of Christ – differently when they suffer. "I'm too busy to visit," some might say as they pass a nursing home where so many suffer loneliness. "They shouldn't have broken the law," some might say about people in prison.

Our spiritual body stretches around the world. When parts of it suffer, let's take the time to understand why and relieve the pain. The Body of Christ SERVES the Body of Christ to BECOME the Body of Christ.

What connections or similarities have you seen between yourself and people you've met who are hurting or in need?

... On the Way to Mass

How do you reflect God in every day situations?

On the Way Home from Mass ...

In what way does God's love rule in your heart?