

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.



Fourth Sunday of Lent - Year B Sunday, 11th March 2018

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Mr Nam Le

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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:

Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23

The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of his people.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 136. R. v. 6

R: Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

By the rivers of Babylon there we sat and wept, remembering Zion: on the poplars that grew there we hung our harps. *Res.*

For it was there that they asked us, our captors, for songs, our oppressors, for joy. 'Sing to us,' they said, 'one of Zion's songs.' **Res.**

O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil? If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither!. **Res.** O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys!*Res*

Second Reading:

Ephesians 2: 4-10

When we were dead through sins, he brought us to life.

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

God loved the world so much, he

gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel Reading: John 3: 14-21

God sent his Son into the world that we might be saved through him.

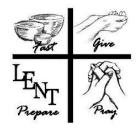
Memorial Acclamation

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

Youth Mass this Sunday 5.30pm

St Mary's Catholic Church followed by a BBQ in the church grounds.

To celebrate the 'Year of Youth' our parish and school community are invited to participate in the Youth Mass. You are invited to wear something **purple** as a reminder that we are in the Lenten season.



Shhh! During Lent,

we invite everyone to acknowledge some quiet time in prayer as preparation before and after Mass as we follow our journey towards Holy Week and the joy of the Easter celebrations.

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DAY BY DAY

Monday, 12th March

NO SERVICE

4.00pm Rosary (63721115)

Tuesday, 13th March

9:00am: Mass-Mudgee

9.30am Mudgee Lenten Group Parish Centre

11.00am Liturgy Meeting - Parish Centre

5.00pm St Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting

Wednesday, 14th March

9.00am Grandparents Mass SMCS Yr 7

10.00am St Mary's Craft and Friendship Group

11.00am Lenten Group in the Kandos Hall

4.00pm Holy Hour

5.00pm Mass - Mudgee

Thursday, 15th March

9.10am Mass - Mudgee - SMCS

10.30am Mass Gulgong AH Yrs K/1 & 5/6

10.30am St Mary's Playgroup - Contact Office

1.30pm or 7.00pm First Holy Communion Parent Sessions in the Parish Centre.

Friday, 16th March

11.00am Communion Service - Kanandah

11.45am Rosary in the Church

12.30pm Liturgy of the Word with Communion Mudgee

Saturday, 17th March

Baptisms + Marriage Mudgee

5:15pm - 5:45pm: Reconciliation Mudgee

6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

Sunday, 18th March FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9.00am Mass Mudgee - Childrens' Liturgy

10.30am Gulgong Liturgy of the Word with Communion

11.00am Mass Rylstone



We welcome in Baptism this weekend: **Samuel Christopher Callander** son of Richard & Sally also **Zachary Gerard Briggs** and **George Austin Briggs** sons of Kirk & Greta.



Congratulations to Amos Alexander Roth Bryant and Michelle Deborah Emmerson who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage this weekend in St Mary's.

Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th March 2018

Commentator	L. Schreck	A. McLean	
Readers	P. Cannon G.Brymora	M. Barrett R. McKeown	
Special Ministers of Communion	S.Walker D.Cunningham	B. Murphy K. Baker M. Gilbert	
Offertory Procession	S&M Martin	R & S Loneragan	
Organist	E. Cooper	R.Newman	
Welcomers	V&F Solti	Portelli Family	
Altar Servers	Jessica Newman G. Lane J. Wilkinson Jade Newman	P. Lonergan K. Hauville Angela Littler Angus Littler	
Counters	E. Goodlet 12/3	L.Nicholson 19/3	

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	18th March 2018 R. Saliba	Kandos Liturgy Roster	18th March 2018
Commentator	P. Lenard	Leader	
Reader	J. Ritar	Readers	K. Gade H.Roberts
Offertory	C. Holland Family	Intercessions	C. D'Ilio
Special Minister of Communion	M.Carney J.Thatcher	Special Minister of Communion	A. Krusvar
Sacristan	Z. Drew M.O'Brien	Sacristan	L. McPherson G. English



Masses and prayers requested for the following: We pray for the recently deceased especially

David Kiddle, Nancy Caughey, Ray Power and Aniela Peterek (Poland)

We remember the anniversaries of Mona Cafe, Kath Rowlands, Dympna Foo.

We also pray for John Ryall, John Mulqueen (Ireland),

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Darren Tuxford, Rosemary Mitchell (QLD), Ursula Smiezek, Jasmine Prada, Jan Kirkman, Gwen Ausburn, Tony Gillham, 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 and all souls.

For those seeking SPECIAL INTENTIONS.



First Holy Communion -

Mudgee will be celebrated on Saturday 2nd June/Sunday 3rd June 2018.

The **first parent meeting** will be held on Thursday 15th March at 1.30pm and a repeat session at

7.00pm in the Parish Centre.

Commitment/Enrolment will be the following weekend 17th/18th March so it is important to attend the first parent meeting to obtain the paperwork for this Enrolment.

Mudgee News

Conversations About Catholics - 4 sessions of conversations about many aspects of the Catholic faith, tradition and rituals. Next meeting 15th March 2018 at 9.15am in St Mary's Parish Centre.

Whatever your story may be...... new to St Matthews Catholic School, partner of a Catholic,

not been an active church-goer for a while, need some "brush up" on the rituals etc of the Church,

want to know in what Church activities your child may be participating......

Join us in these relaxed sessions.....

From the Liturgy Group:

- * The Liturgy Group meets on Tuesday 13th March in the Parish Centre to plan the Easter celebrations. This is the BIG feast of our Liturgical year, so there is much work to be done. We will be calling for ministers for various roles, as Easter weekend is often the time when families go away.
- * Our Liturgy Ministry Roster has gaps because of people's changed circumstances. If you have participated in a ministry in the past, or you would like to take on a ministry, please let us know. Training and commissioning will be available so that you can be included on the roster.
- * For those involved in the Reading/Lector ministry, you would have noticed that the "Understanding and Teaching the Word of God" presented by Dr Laurie Woods is being held in three centres in our Diocese. If anyone is interested in attending the Orange event on Wednesday 14th March, Anne McLean (0427871590) is going and is happy to provide transport.
- * For those who are Special Ministers of the Eucharist and have not had the opportunity to participate in the training and the commissioning at the last past of 2017, it will be important that you are able to complete this before Holy Thursday 29th March. Please contact the Parish Office to acknowledge your commitment to this ministry.



We wish to sincerely thank the parishioners who responded to our plea for a bar fridge. We now have one installed. This will assist us to provide care and hospitality to those in our office meeting room.

Kandos News

Lenten discussion group will meet each Wednesday at 11.00am in the Small Hall at Kandos.

Anointing Mass Wednesday, 28th March at 11.00am in St Dominic's, Kandos followed by lunch. All welcome.

Gulgong News

On Sunday, 25th March Vinnies will be providing a basket at the back of the Church for donations of **non** perishable goods. This will go to help people in the local community.

Catholic Education Diocese of Bathurst invites you to attend **Understanding and teaching the Word of God** presented by Dr Laurie Woods.

The formation day is aimed at SRE coordinators and teachers, catechists, sacramental coordinators and parishioners. It will be repeated in three locations across the Diocese:

13th March - St Pius X Primary School, East Street, Dubbo

14th March - Kenna Hall, Hill Street, Orange 15th March - St Philomena's Primary School, Lloyds Road, Bathurst

Time: 9.30am to 3.30pm Cost: FREE For more information visit www.bathurst.catholic.org.au

Register by contacting Dr Angelo Belmonte: a.belmonte@bth.catholic.edu.au or phone Ronda at Catholic Education on: 6338 3000

Results of National Church Life Survey are now available. Details available on website,

www.2017ncls.org.au

Mudgee Parish profile no: NG8EV7.

Watch this space for some interesting facts.

NALAG – Grief and loss workshop to be held in Mudgee. Gain some understanding and basic skills to help others in their time of need. Please ring Julie Keipert, 63732264 if you are interested in attending. Monday 12 March, 10.30am, session will be 1 ½ hours.





The Catholic agency for international aid and development.

Please collect a pack or box from the back of the Church today. The funds raised will support communities throughout the world.

Week 4 Australia

Evangeline in the Northern Territory, featured in Project Compassion 2016. She was employed by the Caritas Australia supported Djilpin Arts and quickly rose to the role of Senior artsworker. Her career has flourished. Her work at Djilpin Arts contributes to its success, whilst providing training and opportunities for other young people in the community. Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help provide employment and training for First Australians. The work of Evangeline and Djilpin Arts is creating opportunities for First Peoples to remain on country and keep their culture alive. This work is essential for a just future.

LENTEN REFLECTION By now we are well on our way through this season of repentance and renewal. The word of God today makes it clear that it's time to decide. Could we be condemning ourselves to a kind of exile, like that suffered by God's people of old? The constant temptation for us is to hold fast to patterns of life simply because they are familiar, though they bring us no lasting joy. As much as may lament our lot, we let fear paralyse us. Today we are offered the opportunity to open our eyes to the beauty and wonder of God's love for us i Christ. Dare we see ourselves, in the lovely phrase from the letter to the Ephesians, as "God's work of art". How could we refuse such an invitation?

EASTER MASS SERVICES

MUDGEE

FRIDAY, 23rd March

12:30pm:Mass - Anointing of the sick & elderly

SATURDAY, 24th March

6:00pm: Vigil Mass (Blessing of the Palms)

PALM SUNDAY, 25th March

9:00am: Ecumenical Service at St Mary's

MONDAY, 26th March

9:00am: Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

7:00pm:Second Rite of Reconciliation

HOLY THURSDAY, 29th March 6:00pm: Mass of the Last Supper

GOOD FRIDAY, 30th March 11:00am: Stations of the Cross

3:00pm: Liturgy of the Passion

HOLY SATURDAY, 31st March 6:00pm: Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY, 1st April

7:30am: Mass **9:00am:** Mass **10:30AM:** MASS

GULGONG

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MONDAY, 26th March

12:00pm MassAnointing of the Sick & Elderly

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6:00pm Easter Vigil

KANDOS/RYLSTONE

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10:00AM: Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Kandos

WEDNESDAY, 28th March

10.30am Reconciliation

11:00am Mass- Anointing of the sick & elderly

Kandos followed by lunch. **HOLY THURSDAY, 29th March**

6:00pm: Mass of the Last Supper - Rylstone

GOOD FRIDAY, 30th March

10:00am: ECUMENICAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS (COMMENCING AT ST. MALACHY'S, RYLSTONE)

EASTER SUNDAY, 1st April

9:30am Mass Kandos

Readings for Next Weekend:

Jeremiah 31:31-34 Hebrews 5:7-9 John 12: 20-30