



Welcome to the Catholic Parishes of St Mary's Mudgee, St John the Baptist Gulgong, St Dominic's Kandos/ St Malachy's 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.



The Most Holy Trinity - Year B

Sunday, 27th May 2018

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Monday 10.00am - 1.00pm : 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri

9.00am - 1.00pm : 2.00pm - 4.00pm

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First Reading:

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

The Lord himself is God in heaven above and on earth below: there is no other.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 32

R: Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

The word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. Res.

By his word the heavens were made, by the breath of his mouth all the stars. He spoke; and they came to be. He commanded; they sprang into being. Res.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. Res.

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. Res.

Second Reading:

Romans 8:14-17

You have received the Spirit that makes you God's own children, and in that spirit we call God: Father, our Father!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy spirit.

Memorial Acclamation

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



God's Spirit beckons. There are things to do and places to go!

What could be greater than being a disciple of Jesus as he toured around Galilee two thousand years ago, teaching and healing? Perhaps the answer is: being a disciple today, post-resurrection and ascension, with the gift of the Spirit dwelling in us. The Holy Spirit makes the difference between the uncomprehending band that followed Jesus from place to place, seeing but not believing, and the vital life of faith that bloomed in the early church directly after Pentecost. Happy are they who have not seen, and have believed! Remember, that's us.



First Hoy Communion Commitment, Gulgong

PARISHIONER RESPONSE:

ALL: I promise to support these children in preparing to receive the Lord for the first time in the Sacrament of First Holy Communion and we will keep you in our prayers.

DAY BY DAY

Monday, 28th May

NO SERVICE

3.30pm First Holy Communion lesson for the Government school children. Parish Centre.

Tuesday, 29th May

9:00am Mass - SMCS Secondary

3.30pm Youth Group activity.

Wednesday, 30th May

9.30am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group

- 4.00pm Holy Hour
- 5.00pm Mass
- 5.00pm St Vincent de Paul Conference Meeting
- 5.30pm Pastoral Council Meeting

Thursday, 31st May

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8.50am Morning Prayer
- 9.10am Mass Mudgee SMCS Yr 3
- 9.00am First Holy Communion candidates preparation day Mudgee

10.30am Mass Gulgong - AH Yrs3/4

Friday, 1st June

10.30am Mass Opal Nursing Home

- 11.45am Rosary Church
- 12-12.15 Reconciliation
- 12.30pm Mass

Saturday, 2nd June

1.00pm Mudgee Josephite Associates

5.15pm- 5.45pm Reconciliation Mudgee

6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

(First Holy Communion Mudgee)

Sunday, 3rd June

9.00am Mass - Mudgee

(First Holy Communion Mudgee)

10.30am Gulgong Sunday Service in the Absence of a Priest

11.00am Mass Kandos



We welcome in Baptism this weekend **Bronson Paul Goodenough** son of Lukas and Kristen; **Charlotte Grace Beryl Lampe** daughter of Bryce and Emily.

Jed Joseph Landers son of Jason and Carly;

Keely Mae Carson daughter of Temika and Stephen.

Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd June 2018

| Commentator | | J.Cross | | M.McLean | |
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| Readers | | S.Walker L.Schreck | | A.McLean L.Littler | |
| Special Ministers of Communion | | A.Baker J.Vros D.Cunningham | | G.Hennessy Simon Bennett J.Keipert | |
| Gospel Procession | | First Holy Communion Candidates | | First Holy Communion Candidates | |
| Offertory Procession | | First Holy Communion Candidates | | First Holy Communion Candidates | |
| Welcomers | | HELP NEEDED | | E.Csuba M.Knight | |
| Altar Servers | | A.Duncan H.Vo S. Marchant J.Nipperess PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A | | E.Bourke F.English E. English CHANGE TO THE ROSTER. | |
| Counters | | M.Walker 28/5 | | D.Bennett 4/6 | |
| Gulgong Liturgy Roster | 3rd June 2018 Leader: P.Leotta | | Kandos Liturgy Roster | | 3rd June 2018 |
| Commentator | P.Hudson | | Leader | | |
| Reader | C.L | eotta | Readers | | L.McPherson H.Roberts |
| Offertory | | Donelly enard | Intercessi | ons | T.Ryan |
| Special | R.Saliba | | Special | | K.Morrissey |

Masses and prayers requested for the following:

Minister of

Communion

Sacristan

M.Turner

H.Roberts

M.Carney

R.Saliba

H.Seymour

Minister of

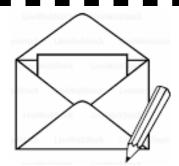
Sacristan

Communion

We pray for the recently deceased especially Bill Hensley, Vicki Smith, Siobhan Woods (Gulgong) and Min Mealy (Hervey Bay), David Parker.

We remember the anniversaries of Jack Hennessy, Nancy Ryan, We also pray for

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Fr Tim Cahill, Liam Potts, Darren Tuxford, Rosemary Mitchell (QLD), Ursula Smiezek, Jasmine Prada, Jan Kirkman, Dennis Donelly, 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.



Planned Giving Sunday:

Mudgee and Gulgong - Sunday 27th May.

During the next two week's you will be invited to review and update your Planned Giving pledge for the new financial year 2018-2019. There is the option of envelopes or if you wish to save the parish money, credit card facilities are available. Please see the back of the gifting card for details.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU FILL OUT A NEW GIFTING CARD EVEN IF YOU ARE ALREADY CONTRIBUTING.

If you are wanting more detail please see the financial statements available at the back of the church explaining the basic costs for your parish. Currently we are poperating at a loss of approximately \$9000.

Everyone understands the increasing costs of electricity, insurance, salaries and
 basic necessities of running the parish and our need to meet those costs.

We are most grateful to everyone who has financially supported the parish in the past year and over many previous years. If you are not contributing we ask that you please consider if you can make a small contribution.



GULGONG NEWS

St Vincent de Paul

Winter Appeal - Thank
you for your support.

GCWG - Raffle for the Henry Lawson Festival stall 9th June -Raffle Tickets will be available after Mass this Sunday and also Sunday 3rd June.

Tuesday 5th June - Gulgong Catholic Women's Group Meeting, at the Convent at 2.00pm.

Sunday 10th June, 10.00am: Ecumenical Service Corination Park, Gulgong.

Kandos/Rylstone St Vincent de Paul

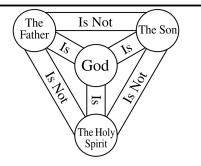
Thank you from St Vincent de Paul for your donations \$321.10 was collected.

National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander

Sunday Preparation Workshops 6th and 14th June

The Diocesan Pastoral Council Working Group for Participation of Indigenous Catholics is coordinating a Diocesan celebration of NATSI Sunday. To assist parish communities to prepare for the Mass and celebration on this important day, the DPC Working Group is hosting workshops in Bathurst (Wednesday 6th June) and Dubbo (Wednesday 13th June), to assist parishes to prepare for the celebrations.

If you are interested in attending one of the workshops and assisting the Parish in preparing for NATSI Sunday, please contact Fr Owen via e m a i l on office.mudgee@cdob.org.au or at the Parish Office on 63722122.



MUDGEE NEWS

First Holy Communion preparation for State School students will continue this **Monday 28th May** at 3.30pm in the Parish Centre.

First Holy Communion Preparation Day 9-3.00pm on Thursday 31st May at the Parish Centre.

First Holy Communion Mudgee Saturday 2nd/ Sunday 3rd June.

Post First Holy Communion celebration and Youth Mass - Music by Youth: PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE FROM 10TH JUNE TO 17TH JUNE, 9.00AM MASS

Mudgee Josephite Associates meeting Saturday 2nd June at 1.00pm in the Parish Centre.

World Youth Day 2019 - Panama

The theme for World Youth Day 2019 is: "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." (Lk 1:38)

Bishop Michael is inviting our young people to join him for WYD in Panama in January 2019. See the invite and further information at www.bathurst.catholic.org.au

Josephite Associates Gathering
Friday 22nd June, 10.30am to
12.30pm: St Joseph's Heritage
and Conference Centre,
Perthville. Discussion on
'nurturing and growing the
Association" and considering
"the type of Associate
Movement that is required for
the future." If you require
transport please contact Angela
Krusvar or Eileen Csuba.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Exodus 24:3-8 Psalm 115 Hebrews 9:11-15 Mark 14:12-16, 22–26

"TAKE THIS ALL OF YOU AND DRINK FROM IT'

We have introduced the opportunity to receive Holy Communion as the Body of Christ and the Precious Blood from the Chalice for those who wish to, as a further expression of Jesus' words 'Take and eat, Take and drink.'

Please take care to consume the Sacred Host before moving to receive from the Chalice.

Currently the regulations covering the reception of Holy Communion do not allow for the dipping of the Host into the Chalice and then consuming it. Once the Sacred Host is placed in the hand it is to be consumed, then move to drink from the Chalice.

Some of the situations that may arise from not following this process:

- * Dropping Precious Blood on floor or clothes.
- * Sweat and germs from hand into chalice.
- * Particles of wheat from the Sacred Host in the Precious Blood effecting those who are Gluten free and are only able to receive Communion from the Chalice.

Some people may believe that 'dipping the host' is a more hygienic way of receiving the precious blood than drinking from the Chalice. In fact, more germs are probably spread by communicants dipping bread that they have handled into the cup from which others will drink. The practice also introduces particles of wheat into the consecrated wine, endangering those coeliacs who cannot tolerate any gluten and who can receive the Body and Blood of Christ only from the cup.

* The Sacred Host will be distributed by the two ministers at the centre isle.

* If you would like to receive the Precious Blood from the Chalice after receiving the Sacred Host, then you would proceed to the ministers holding the chalice at either side of the Sanctuary.

If you choose not to receive the Precious Blood simply return to your seat as usual.

The mystery of the Trinity can be approached as a theological conundrum or as an adventure in faith. The word of God invites us to take the latter route.

IN FOCUS

Go Beyond Your Comfort Zone

That was a shock to Jesus' first followers. Go to all nations? But they were Jews!

Nonetheless, that was Matthew's message for early Christians. The Gospel was originally written for a community of mostly Jewish followers of Jesus. Go beyond your comfort zone, it tells them. Build relationships with people who are different, with people you never expected to enter your life.

Does that shock you? Look around at your life. Is everyone the same? Same skin colour? Same interests? Same economic level? Same activities and interests? It's easy for us to stay in our comfort zone. But if we do, we miss out.

Jesus grew up in Galilee, which some scholars argue was an ethnically mixed part of Israel. His apostles were also quite a mix. One wanted to start a revolution against the Romans (Simon the Zealot) while another collected taxes for them (Matthew). In this Gospel, which is the climax of the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus sends this diverse group from a diverse area to baptise all people.

The message is clear. We find life more full when we meet, serve, learn from, and develop relationships with all types of people. I am a white, middle-class man. I've learned a lot about sacrifice and faith from friends who have worked hard to build a life in this country. I've learned about prejudice from gay and marginalised friends. I've learned about compassion by listening to homeless people worry about their homeless friends.

Here's some ideas for you. When you go to soup kitchens or homeless shelters, take time to talk with the people who eat or sleep there. Eat lunch or mix during parties with others who have different interests. Ask people with different ethnic or religious backgrounds to tell you a little bit about their culture. Get some friends together and go to a local ethnic festival. Or have lunch or coffee in a neighbourhood that's different ethnically or economically from your own. Maybe you'll meet someone new there. Look for programs or retreats that help you get to know others from different countries, races, or religions. Search the Internet for sites that explore different cultures.

Just leave the borders behind. Stretch yourself.

What are some of the benefits you could receive from building relationships with people who have different interests, cultures, or economic backgrounds? How might you go about building those relationships?

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