



The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!

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.



Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time - 2nd September 2018

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First Reading:

Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8

You may add nothing to the word which I speak to you - keep the commands of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 14 R.v.1

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart. **R.**

He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. **R.**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R.**

Second Reading:

St James 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27
Be doers of the word.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

You forget the commandments of God and hold on to human tradition.

Memorial Acclamation:

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



NEXT SUNDAY
9.00AM.
Come along and bring your friends.

Father's Day Appeal Special collection

Each year, on Father's Day, we have a special collection in support of our retired priests. They have given years of service to God's people and many continue, as health and strength allow, as ministers of Word and Sacrament. They continue to help our local church with their prayers.

I encourage you to give generously to this appeal.

+Michael McKenna
Bishop of Bathurst

Thank you for your ongoing co-operation with supporting this appeal.

Happy Father's Day.

To our dad's, grandad's and all men who nurture our community.

May you enjoy today the love and companionship of family from near and far.

DAD

*A son's first hero
A daughter's first love*

Australian Catholics

The Spring edition is available this weekend with some informative reading. Take home a FREE copy for your family today.

DAY BY DAY

Monday, 3rd September

NO SERVICE MUDGEES

3.30pm Government School Confirmation class,
Parish Centre.

Tuesday, 4th September

9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion
5.00pm St Vincent de Paul Conference meeting.

Wednesday, 5th September

9.30am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group
4.00pm Holy Hour
5.00pm Mass Mudgee

Thursday, 6th September

8.50am Morning Prayer
9.10am Mass Mudgee SMCS Yr 1

Friday, 7th September

SMCS Staff Retreat Day
11.45am Rosary - Church
12-12.15 Reconciliation
12.20pm Mass Mudgee
1.00pm Josephite Associates

Saturday, 8th September

5.15pm- 5.45pm Reconciliation Mudgee
6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

Sunday, 9th September

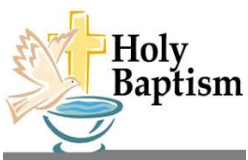
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

9.00am Mass - Children's Liturgy
10.30am Gulgong Mass
11.00am Rylstone Sunday Service in the Absence of a Priest.

The Pope's Universal Prayer for September.

Young People in Africa

That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.



We welcome in Baptism this weekend in Kandos
William Hunter Sant son of Andrew and Lorretta.

The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched - they must be felt with the heart.
Helen Keller

Saturday 8th & Sunday 9th September 2018

Commentator	*	M. Matthews
Readers	P. Cannon G. Brymora	L. Littler J. Tioseco
Special Ministers of Communion	S. Walker D. Cunningham *	S. Bennett K. Baker E. Day
Gospel Procession	*	Youth
Offertory Procession	A & W Wilson Family	J & N McCarney
Welcomers	V & S Solti	Youth
Altar Servers	J & J Newman D. Day	H. Rayner A. Walker-Cooke M & E Halpin
Counters	L. Nicholson 3/9	S. & G. Robinson 10/p

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	9th Sept. 2018	Kandos Liturgy Roster	9th Sept. 2018
Leader			
Commentator	D. Kelly		
Reader	E. Donnelly	Readers	A. Krusvar Sr Kath
Offertory	D. Germon family	Intercessions	T. Ryan
Special Minister of Communion	J. Thatcher M. Carney	Special Minister of Communion	
Sacristan	C & E Holland	Sacristan	L. McPherson G. English

Masses and prayers requested for the following:

We pray for the recently deceased especially Joe Swientek, Jack Barrett, Denise Jamieson, Patricia Goldspink, Carol Pelin, and John McRae.

We remember the anniversary of Bob Prowse, Maria Cox
We also pray Burt Dalmay, Alan Isbester, Jim Betts, David Kiddle, Priscilla Rayner, for all deceased fathers and grandfathers.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Kristi Smith, Colleen Hayes, Pam O'Connor, Anne Stayorer, Jasmine Parada, Troy Whitcombe, Bill Yates, Trevor Williams (Wangaratta), Fr Tim Cahill, Sr Monica Sparks, Alma Ristau, Liam Potts, Rosemary Mitchell (QLD), Ursula Smiezek, Jasmine Prada, Dennis Donnelly, 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. For those seeking SPECIAL INTENTIONS.

GULGONG NEWS

GCWG next meeting is **Tuesday 11th September 2.00pm** in the Convent.

Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday 16th September at **11.00am**. Please note the change of Mass order due to Confirmation. Sunday, September 16 will be a Confirmation Mass. The following Sunday, September 23 will be a Service in the Absence of a Priest led by Sue Parnell.



Thank you to all who have helped with the work at the presbytery: the garage sale, removal of furniture to the Convent etc. Congratulations on a job well done. The presbytery is currently being prepared as a rental property which will give the parish some much needed extra funds.

MUDGEE MINISTRY FORMATION



Formation of Ministers of the Word, to be held Wed 24th

Sept at 5pm and Sat 29th Sept after 6pm Vigil Mass.

Women Creating Community

is a small group of women who meet to make creams and gift packs for people in the parish.



We would love to have some more people involved. So, if you are interested, curious or would just like to have a chat and a cuppa **join us after Mass next Sunday 9th September** in the Parish Centre.



Farewell and Thank you to Jenny Maloney.

Our grateful thanks to Jenny from the parishes of Mudgee, Gulgong and Kandos as she retires from her secretarial position in the parish office.

Jenny has worked in various roles in the parish over a very long period of time. As an ardent record keeper, she has generously contributed a lot of volunteer time to keep our parish archives in good shape. She has recently completed a book on the history of the Mudgee parish which is awaiting publication.

We thank Jenny for her loyal dedication to her position and wish her every blessing in this new phase of her life.

Jenny will have a little more time to spend enjoying her artistry with the paint brush.

Mrs Kristie Newman was the successful applicant to replace Jenny as Assistant Secretary as Jenny leaves this position.

Mudgee Parish News

Mudgee Josephite Associates next meeting **Friday 7th September 1.00pm (after Mass)**.

Confirmation: Bishop Michael will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation in Mudgee on Saturday 15 Sept at 6.00pm & Sunday 16th September at 9.00am Mass.

St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group

Invite everyone to their

Wine Festival Sale
Saturday 15th

September 2018 from 9.30am
in the Parish Centre.



KANDOS NEWS

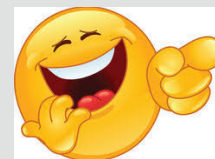
Thank you from the Good Samaritans Sisters

A letter of thanks has been received from the Good Samaritan Sisters thanking the Kandos parishioners for their generous donation and the hospitality shown to the Sisters when they visited on 5th August. The letter notes that sisters Catherine Bell and Janet Colbourne are still talking about the day.

Liturgy Roster: Please note the roster has been adjusted for the change of Mass schedule on Sunday 16th September due to Confirmation in Mudgee and Gulgong. A Sunday Service will take place at Rylstone at 11.00am on the 16th Sept.

Mass - Rylstone 23/9

Mass - Kandos 30/9



A little humour....

A funeral service is being held in a church for a woman who has just passed away. At the end of the service, the pallbearers carrying the casket accidentally bump into a wall jarring the casket. They hear a faint moan. They open the casket and find that the woman is actually alive. She lives for 10 more years and then dies. A ceremony is again held at the same church and at the end the pallbearers are again carrying the casket out. As they are walking, the husband calls out, "Watch out for the wall!"

ADVANCE NOTICE

THE ROSARY ROCKS THE WORLD



Be the spark that Lights the Flame in Australia as we kick start the WORLD Rosary.

Sunday, 7th October 2018

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Isaiah 35: 4-7

Psalms 145 R.v.1

St James 2: 1-5

Mark 7: 31-37

A Prayer for Fathers

God our Father,

In your wisdom and love you made all things..

Bless those fathers who have taken upon themselves the responsibility of parenting.

Bless those who have lost a spouse to death, separation, or divorce, and whose are parenting their children alone.

strengthen all Dads by your love that they may become the loving, caring persons they are meant to be. grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

RISE
YOUTH FESTIVAL

It's time to register for the annual Diocesan RISE Youth Festival!

This year RISE Youth Festival will occur from 11th-12th October 2018 at St Joseph's Heritage and Conference Centre, Perthville.

RISE is a chance for young people in **Year 6 to Year 9** to spend time together, have fun and learn more about their faith. Why not consider being part of RISE this year? Come and be part of an unforgettable experience!

Registrations are now opened at www.bathurst.catholic.org.au

Cost of the Festival is \$120, with an early bird rate of \$110 available until 15th September.

For more information visit www.bathurst.catholic.org.au or contact Deacon Josh via email ministries@bathurst.catholic.org.au or speak to your parish priest, youth minister, REC or scripture teacher.



The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives.

The Shalom Wellness 2018

Friday 7th Sept. 6pm to Sunday 9th Sept. 3pm

This weekend retreat is all about finding balance and nurturing your mind, body and spirit.

You can do as much or as little as you want while enjoying the good food and lovely atmosphere of Shalom House of Prayer.

Cost: suggested donation \$250 (All meals, materials & accommodation)

Bookings: ph: 02 63673058 or email: shalomcarcoar@gmail.com or book online: www.shalomcarcoar.com

Presenters: The Shalom Community, Life/Wellness Coaches - Simon and Majella Price, Artist - David Newman-White and Jan Green Pranayoga Bathurst.

IN FOCUS

Be Doers of the Word



The need to be listened to is great. The chaplain at a hospital for people with special needs, told of a sad case of a Greek man in an institution who was thought to be a hopeless schizophrenic. The man had been vegetating in the hospital for years. No one knew much about him or where he came from, but all agreed he was a hopeless case. The chaplain asked the Greek Orthodox priest in the community to pay the man a visit, just to give the poor fellow a chance to speak in his native tongue as much as for any pastoral reasons. He hadn't had a chance to do this for years.

The Greek Orthodox priest returned from the visit and asked the chaplain, "What in the world is that fellow doing there? He's as healthy as you and I". Bit by bit the tragic story unfolded.

The Greek had jumped ship long ago in a nearby port. Speaking no English, he had gotten into some sort of trouble and as mistakes sometimes happen, he was locked up in an institution. There he slowly learned English, but he learned his English from schizophrenic patients.

Certain language misuse is characteristic of that mental dysfunction, and the poor Greek fellow managed to learn totally schizophrenic English. To all English personnel he sounded schizophrenic and as removed from reality as his fellow patients. The priest, however, conversed with him in Greek, the first time anyone had done that in the hospital, and the man spoke perfectly correct Greek. The hospital staff were humbled and were taught a lesson by the experience.

Spending time to understand others can go a long way toward healing them – and us. Do we try to understand the viewpoint and feelings of others.

Choose a verse of Scripture, and do the word you hear. Find ways to put that word into action throughout the day. Continue to listen to the word more deeply each hour. Consider how the word has changed you by the end of the day.

What is something you don't know about God?

Sometimes we hear Jesus' teaching differently and it seems new. Did anything in today's reading seem new to you today?

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CARE PACKS FOR THE WIVES
OF OUR FARMERS.

- Our grateful thanks to all who have so generously supported the appeal for personal items for the women in our farming communities.
- To date we have been able to supply eighty parcels of amazing items for the ladies and some men as well. These have been delivered via '200 Bales' another of the Mudgee area initiatives to support our farmers. Not only do they receive some much needed hay for their stock, but a care parcel as well. These have been distributed in the Mudgee region as well as Dunedoo/Coolah.
- We will continue to prepare the packages whilst we are receiving the goods
- We are asking for small donations of soaps, shampoos, conditioners, perfumes, hankies, chocolate, or anything personal. A basket is available at the back of the church for three more weeks if anyone would care to share a gift.

NOTE FOR ALL

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK

Due to renewed Diocesan policy all Ministers to the Sick to the nursing homes and private homes must be registered with the Parish Office. We are updating our files so please contact the Parish Office.

We also require the names of all parishioners to whom you are taking Communion.

PLEASE NOTE: You must sign the book available in the Reconciliation room before you leave to go to the Nursing Home/private homes. This is a Diocesan regulation.

Thank you for your cooperation.

"If there is light in the soul
there will be beauty in the
person."

Chinese Proverb

Caritas Asia Emergency Appeal

As we await in prayerful hope for rain in our region, we are aware that, in other parts of the world, people are experiencing the opposite with devastating floods.



In a special way, we are conscious of the plight of people in Kerala. We are blessed with many faithful and priests from that region living in our parishes: and I have sent them a message of solidarity, united in prayer for their loved ones and those who have died.

To support this emergency appeal :

By phone toll Free - 1800 024 413

By mail: GPO Box 9830, Sydney, NSW 2000

Online: www.caritas.org.au/donate/online-donation

World Youth Day Panama - 2019

Bishop Michael is inviting our young people to join him for World Day in Panama.

The diocese will be leading a group of young people over 18 years for an eighteen day pilgrimage from 14th January - 1st February 2019. The pilgrimage will include

PRAYER FOR RAIN

God of life,
all good gifts come from you:
the breath of life that creates us, the fellow creatures
that accompany us, the saving waters that renew and
refresh us.

We look to you in our time of need.

Give to the earth the water of life, water to bring forth
food for your creatures.

Send us rain to heal the earth and to cleanse
its face, water to quench your thirsty land.

Let faith be born from our doubts,
hope from our despair,
compassion from our troubles.

Let the rains come, so we may know once more your
care for all creatures.

Then we will bless your great name
and declare your faithful love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop
2018 National Pilgrimage

The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the National
Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to

"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.

Liturgical & Parish Ministry Mudgee

'There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different people, it is working in all of them.' **1 Cor 12:3-7.12-13**

This weekend we are inviting you to commit to one of the Catholic Parishes Mudgee, Gulgong, Kandos/Rylstone within the parish i.e.

Plenary Council 2020

- Listen to what the Spirit is saying.

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future.

To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: **"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"** Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website, now online: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

To launch the Plenary Council in each of our parish communities in the Bathurst Diocese the Plenary Candle and Icon of Our Lady of the Central West will journey through the diocese beginning 15th August. It will arrive in Mudgee the week of 10th October. Further details as they come to hand.

**National Committee for
Standards
Sunday 9th September
Child Protection Sunday.**



Professional

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WHOSE JOB?

This is a story about four people named *Everybody*, *Somebody*, *Anybody* and *Nobody*.

There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it.

Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought Anybody could do it, but Nobody realised that Everybody wouldn't do it.

It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done!

**So if you are Everybody,
Somebody, Anybody or Nobody,
we need your help!**