

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

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we live, work and pray. We walk on Wiradjuri country. May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.

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Secondary Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C - 20th January 2019

First Reading: Isaiah 62: 1-5

As the bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will God rejoice in you.

Responsorial Psalm: 95: 1-3, 7-10, R. v. 3

All: Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth. O sing to the Lord, bless his name. **(R)**

Proclaim his help day by day, tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. **(R)**

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name. **(R)**

Worship the Lord in his temple. O earth, tremble before him. Proclaim to the nations: 'God is King.' He will judge the peoples in fairness. **(R)**

Second Reading:**Corinthians 12: 4-11**

One and the same Spirit distributes different gifts as he chooses.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 2: 1-11

The first of the signs given by Jesus was at Cana in Galilee.

Memorial Acclamation:

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



DAY BY DAY

Monday, 21st January

No Service

Tuesday, 22nd January

9.00am Mass

Wednesday, 23rd January

9.00am Mass followed by Holy Hour.

Thursday, 24th January

9.10am Mass

Friday, 25th January

11.45am Rosary

12 - 12.15pm Reconciliation

12.30pm Mass

Saturday, 26th January

Australia Day

9.00am Australia Day Mass

6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

Sunday, 27th January

9.00am Mass Mudgee

10.30am Mass Gulgong

10.30am Rosary Kandos

11.00am Sunday Service in Absence of a Priest Kandos

The Lord never tires of forgiving, it is we who tire of asking for forgiveness. Pope Francis

Saturday 26th / Sunday 27th January 2019

Commentator	M. Melinz	A. McLean
Readers	S. Connor P. Cannon	L. Finter P. Portelli
Special Ministers of Communion	S. Walker I. Byrne F. Melinz	R. McKeown J. O'Farrell L. Rodgers
Offertory Procession	S & S Connor	Disher Family
Welcomers	F & V Solti	M. Charlesworth G. McDermott
Altar Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers
Counters	D. Donnelly Mon 21/1	G & S Robinson Tues 29/1

Gulgong Liturgy Roster		Kandos Liturgy Roster	
Leader			
Commentator	C. Gaudry		
Reader	M. McGregor	Reader	A. Krusvar M. Turner
Offertory	Z. Drew L. Hope	Intercessions	Sr Kath
Special Minister of Communion	C. Holland R. Saliba	Special Minister of Communion	H. Roberts
Sacristan	C & E Holland	Sacristan	Sr Kath



Baptism:

We welcome in Baptism this weekend

Ashley Piper Gardiner
daughter of Peter and Natalie

The Pope's Prayer Intention for January 2019

Evangelization: That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

Josephite Associates Meeting

First Meeting for 2019 will be held on 1st February. The meeting will be at 1pm in the Parish Centre.

Masses and prayers Requested for the following.

We pray for the recently deceased Kevin Heferen.

We remember the anniversaries of Elsie Dennis, Cath Dennis, Nellie Dennis, Julie

Walker, Kathryn Gleeson,

James Munro, Veronica Swords, Timonhy Foreman, Larry Dolan, Noel Wheeler, Robert Lee, Florence Maffeo, Ron McCarthy, Thomas Farrell and Lesley Wicks.

We also pray for the souls of Joe Swintek, Mervyn Costello, Sid and Reta Otley, Phil Darby.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Sr Mary Clement, Anton Blazavic, Joe Saliba, Jennifer Ryan, June George, Tony Petchell, Anne Stayner, Danielle Wolfenden, Sue Melinz, Brendan Stanford, Roseanne Telfer, Ben Fleitmann, Kristi Smith, Anne Troy Whitcombe, Liam Potts, Ursula Smiezek, Jasmine Prada, Dennis Donelly, Tony Gillham, Melinda Drew, Alma Ristau, Carissa Gleeson, Jason Seis, Mary Cannon, Margaret Tuxford Spicer, Julie Collins, Michael Gillham, and the residents of all the Nursing Homes.

Readings for Next Week:

Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10, 1 Corinthians 12:12-30, Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

The Plenary Council in 2020

Your voice is needed! Join a small group for conversation about your experiences of faith, and the Church. Together, we are responding to the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"

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Speak boldly, listen humbly and with an open heart.

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Farewell to June O'Farrell. We wish her all the best for her move to Bathurst.

GOSPEL FOCUS

The best wine

The steward comments that the best wine had been kept until the end of the wedding celebration – a clever use of an image for Jesus. Remembering the use of wedding imagery to describe the relationship between the people of Israel and God, the wedding feast is celebration of that relationship, and at the very heart of the celebration and the relationship is Jesus. He is the best wine that is kept until the end – the 'finishing touch' to a magnificent celebration, just as he is the 'finishing touch' to the relationship between God and God's people to that point.

Today's first reading from Isaiah is one of several references in the Old Testament that use wedding imagery – bride and groom – to describe the relationship between God and the people of Israel. The imagery is never that of an 'old married couple' but rather young lovers entering into a new life together full of hope; full of romance; and full of passion. This image of God and the people as bride and groom would not have been lost on the first audiences of today's gospel passage. Immediately, they would have recognised the significance of Jesus' first outing in public ministry being at a wedding feast – at the coming together of God and God's people, Jesus is present! It is a very neat and quite deliberate follow on from the prologue of the Gospel of John where the gospel writer uses the image of 'the Word made flesh who lives among us' to describe Jesus. The Word has come into the world and the first public appearance is at an event that symbolises the relationship between God and God's people.

The interplay between Jesus and his mother is very interesting in this gospel event. In this particular gospel it is one of only two occasions that Mary is mentioned: this event at the beginning of Jesus' ministry and then at the foot of the cross as he is crucified. Mary does not ask Jesus to do anything. She simply states, 'They have no wine', but one can almost hear the motherly tone with which it was said. I'm sure Jesus was left in no doubt that he was expected to do something about it. When he

tries to avoid the issue, Mary apparently ignores his objections and instructs the servants to do whatever Jesus tells them. No fuss; no argument. How do mothers do it?

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**Australia Day
Mass**
9.00am
Mudgee
Saturday 26th
January
All Welcome.



“Like the Magi, believers are led by faith to seek God in the most hidden places, knowing that the Lord waits for them there.

Pope Francis

Sacraments 2019

Confirmation in Mudgee and Gulgong will be celebrated on 2nd August

If you have children in the State schools it is important that you register at the Parish Office early

Dates for First Reconciliation in M & G tba
First Holy Communion

Families with children in Yr2, Yr3 and Yr6 eligible for the sacraments in 2019 are encourage to please enrol at the Parish Office. In particular families with children who attend the State Schools.

