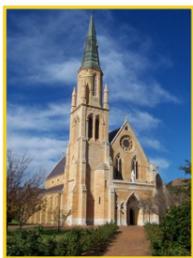


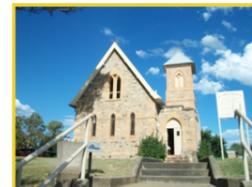
The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!



**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 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.



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C - 3rd March 2019

Parish Priest

Fr Owen Gibbons

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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

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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TUESDAY 5TH MARCH

Rylstone, 10.00am Mass

WEDNESDAY 6TH MARCH

9.10am Mass - Parish/School

in the O'Donovan Centre,
St Matthews Catholic School.

11.30am Mass - Gulgong

Parish /AH School.

6.00pm Mass Mudgee

■ In Lent, the *Alleluia* is omitted at Mass and at the hours, even in celebration of solemnities and feasts.

■ Catholics are obliged to receive holy communion at least once a year, in Australia And New Zealand between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday.

■ **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday** are days of abstinence. The law of fasting binds those who have completed their eighteenth year, until the beginning of their sixtieth year; the law of abstinence binds those who have completed their fourteenth year (CCL97, 1252-52).

Trust

Lenten Program 2019

If you would like to host a Lenten Group in your home or participate in a group please write your name on the clipboard provided at the back of the Church or contact the Parish Office.



Books are for sale at Masses this weekend 2/3rd March or from the Parish office. Cost \$8 each.

Invitation - Welcome Dinner for all new families to the parish.

Friday 8th March 2019

6.00pm at the Presbytery.

RSVP: Wednesday 6th March Ph. 63722122 email: office.mudgee@cdob.org.au



DAY BY DAY

Monday, 4th March

Catholic Schools Week

No Service

10.30am All Hollows - Liturgy followed by Morning Tea and open classrooms

1.30pm Funeral Prayers - Gloria Windle

7.00pm Plenary Council Discussion Group, Parish Centre.

Tuesday, 5th March

9.00am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion Mudgee

10.00am Mass - Rylstone (for Ash Wednesday)

Wednesday, 6th March

Ash Wednesday

9.10am Mass - SMCS

9.30am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group.

11.30pm Mass - Gulgong

6pm Mass - Mudgee

Thursday, 7th March

9.10am Mass Mudgee

Friday, 8th March

10.00am Lenten Group - Kandos

10.30am Mass Pioneer House

12 - 12.15pm Reconciliation

12.30pm Memorial Mass for Sr Mary Clement

1.00pm Mudgee Josephite Associates

6.00pm Welcome dinner for new parishioners, Mudgee

Saturday, 9th March

5.15pm- 5.45pm Reconciliation Mudgee

6:00pm: Vigil Mass Mudgee

Sunday, 10th March

First Sunday of Lent Yr C

9.00am Mass Mudgee - Youth Mass

10.30am Gulgong Mass - Parish/ School Mass

10.30am Rosary Rylstone

11.00am Rylstone Sunday Service in the Absence of the Priest.

Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th March 2019

Commentator	M. Melinz	M. Matthews
Readers	A.Wilson I.Byrne	L.Littler J.Tioseco
Special Ministers of Communion	L. Nicholson G. Hennessy J. Vros	S. Bennett K. Scott K. Baker
Offertory Procession	D. Bennett C. Carberry	J. Potts G. McDermott
Welcomers	K. Wall G. Roberts	Disher Family
Altar Servers	Alastair NS	Alexander Walker Lilly Hockey Natalie Santucci
Counters	S & G Robinson D.Holden 11/3	M.Walker 18/3 E. Goodlet
Children's Liturgy		Youth Mass

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	10th March 2019	Kandos/Rylstone Liturgy Roster	3rd March 2019
<i>Leader</i>			C. Applin
<i>Commentator</i>	E. Donnelly		
<i>Reader</i>	D. Kelly	<i>Readers</i>	L. McPherson M. Chadwick
<i>Offertory</i>	R. Saliba H. Seymour	<i>Intercessions</i>	T. Ryan
<i>Special Minister of Communion</i>	J. Thatcher R. Saliba	<i>Special Minister of Communion</i>	L. McPherson H. Roberts
<i>Sacristan</i>	M & E. Carney	<i>Sacristan</i>	L. McPherson G. English

Masses and prayers requested for the following:

We pray for the recently deceased especially Gloria Windle, Geoff Matthews, Cliff Miller, Sr Mary Clement, RSM, OAM, Lois Heazlewood (Albury), Elaine Ribaux (Syd) and David Watson.

We remember the anniversaries of Penny Bell-Marskell, Adriel Maloney, Dympna Foo and David Watson.

We also pray for the soul of Marta Smieszek, Joe Swintek, Marakovic Family, Ivan & Agneza Fero, Blazavic & Varga Families.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time: Jean Doorey, Von Butler, Sr Janet Heath (North Richmond), Penny Walsh, Anton Blazavic, Joe Saliba, Jennifer Ryan, Mia O'Dwyer, Tony Petchell, Anne Stayner, Danielle Wolfenden, Sue Melinz, Brendan Stanford, Roseanne Telfer, Kristi Smith, Anne Troy, Whitcombe, Liam Potts, Ursula Smieszek, Jasmine Prada, Dennis Donnelly, Tony Gillham, Melinda Drew, Alma Ristau, Carissa Gleeson, Jason Seis, Mary Cannon, Margaret Tuxford Spicer, Julie Collins, Michael 'Tex' Gillham.

Pope's Universal Prayer Intention for March

Evangelization – Christian Communities

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2019 3 – 9 March

St Matthews Catholic School Mudgee T: 6372 1742
All Hallows Primary School Gulgong T: 6374 1582

Some of the activities planned include Open Classrooms, School Disco, Parent Assemblies, a STEM Afternoon, Staff versus Student Sports, and Enrichment Days. Please contact the schools for further details – we welcome the whole community to these events.



Discover the heart of our Catholic schools

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Refer to School for full program.

Youth Mass 9.00am followed by morning tea next Sunday, 10th March (Close of Catholic Schools Week)

Mudgee News:

Monday 4th April 7.00pm

Plenary Council Discussion Group.

You are invited to join a small group for Plenary Council Listening and Dialogue Encounters.

We are gathering to pray, talk and listen to one another about our experiences of faith, and the Church. Read more about this at

plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au.

THIS IS A REPEAT OF THURSDAY SESSION FOR THOSE WHO WERE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE DAY SESSION.

The Listening and Dialogue stage of the Plenary Council 2020 will close on Ash Wednesday. More than 68,000 people have engaged with the Plenary Council during this stage. It is not too late to have your say.

Mudgee Josephite Associates monthly meeting next Friday 8th March, 1.00pm after Mass.

Gathering of New Families/parishioners Friday evening 8th March at 6.00pm

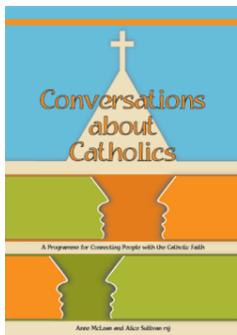
an invitation is extended to new families to the parish to join us for an informal dinner to welcome you to Mudgee Parish.

Please RSVP by 6th March

office.mudgee@cdob.org.au

or by phone 63722122.

St Mary's Parish Mudgee



Conversations About Catholics

Four sessions of conversations about many aspects of the Catholic faith, tradition and rituals starting Thursday 14th March, 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.....

Please contact the Parish Office on 6372-2122 to RSVP.

Kandos News

Lenten Group starting next Friday 8th March at 10.00am, St Dominic's Hall Kandos.

Lenten Books available from Sr Kath \$8 each.

Lent comes providentially to reawaken us, to shake us from our lethargy.

Pope Francis

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 5th March (for Ash Wednesday)
10.00am Mass Rylstone

Wednesday 6th March ASH WEDNESDAY
9.10am SMCS Yr 7 and Grandparents Mass. This is a school/parish Mass for Ash Wednesday.

3rd March - 8th March
Catholic Schools Week

Tuesday 12th March
2.00pm Gulgong Catholic Women's Group Annual General meeting at the Convent.

Gulgong News: ROSTER: Due to health reasons, two people have withdrawn from the ministry of Commentator. If anyone would like to become a commentator, or any of the other ministries and be included in the new roster which will take effect on May 12, please see Peter Leotta after Mass. The roster needs to be finalised in the next couple of weeks.

Parish /School Mass
Next Sunday 10th March, 10.30am

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Ps 90: 1-2, 10-15. R. v. 15 Romans 10: 8-13 Luke 4: 1-13

Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sirach 27: 4-7

Do not praise someone before they have spoken.

Responsorial Ps 91: 2-3, 13-16. R. cf v. 2

All: Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. **(R)**

The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **(R)**

Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing sap when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **(R)**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 54-58

Victory has been given to us through Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 6: 39-45

A person speaks from what is in his heart.

Memorial Acclamation:

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

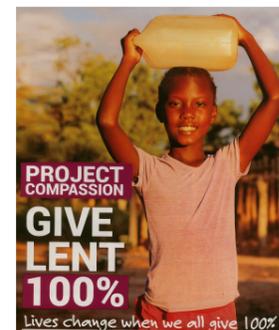
POPE FRANCIS' WORDS

Do you want to fast this Lent?

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

Project Compassion boxes/envelopes available next weekend.

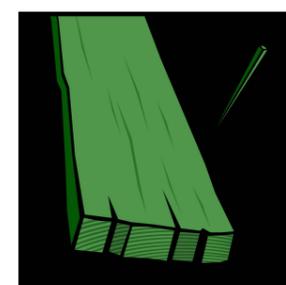
Please take home a **Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia** this Lenten season themed **"Give Lent 100%"**. You are empowering communities with hope and helping those in great need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities.



Lives change when we all give 100%.

REFLECTION by Greg Sunter

In our post-modern world, the lesson of the hypocrite seeking to remove the speck from their neighbour's eye before removing the log from their own has at times been taken too far and too literally. We are often confronted with a minimalist notion that nobody can be corrected or criticised because one person's opinion is just as good as the next person's. In this view, there is no room for universal truths; no room for authority; no room for an over-arching view of the world or a meta-narrative – an underlying 'big picture' story for life. On the surface, the idea that one person's opinion is as valid as any other's seems very democratic and sociable. However, it is fundamentally not true. Someone who has spent a lifetime studying and practising in a particular field of endeavour cannot be lightly dismissed as 'that's just your opinion'. Yet, all too often, such learned knowledge and experience is given the same weight as ill-informed and sometimes mischievous opinion – frequently in the name of 'balanced' discussion.



For some people immersed in the post-modern culture this wash of opinion dressed up as fact is not only confusing but sometimes dangerous. Social norms and even laws can be seen as just another opinion that differs from my own. The opinions of friends and complete strangers on the internet or social networks are held with the same level of legitimacy as established sources of social, moral, legal and religious authority. Whilst it is proper to question established authority and require accountability and justification, the absence of universal truths and meta-narratives lead us back to the proverb that begins today's gospel: the blind leading the blind.

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