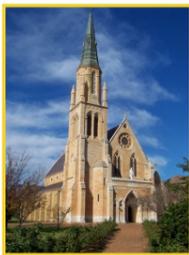


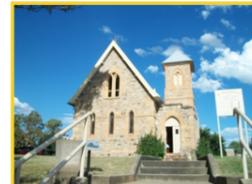
The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!



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.



Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C - 3rd November 2019

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First Reading: Wisdom 1: 22-12:2

You have mercy on all things because you love everything that exists.

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 144: 1-2, 8-11, 13-14. 23. R. cf. v. 1

Response: *I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.*

I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. **(R.)**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his **(R.)**

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. **(R.)**

The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. **(R.)**

Second Reading:

Timothy 1: 11-2:2

The name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 19:1-10

The Son of Man came to seek and to find that which was lost.

Memorial Acclamation:

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



REFLECTION by Diane Bergant CSA

The change of seasons is always an opportune time to marvel at the magnificence of the natural world of which we are a part. Its colours, its textures, its smells all reflect the limitless imagination of the creator. Perhaps the most marvellous feature of the world is the interconnectedness of all the elements of which it consists. Somehow the spirit of the creator is manifested through each and every aspect of this universe. And we are part of it all. The universe may be as a grain in the balance or a drop of morning dew, but each grain and each drop contains within it the possibilities of the future.

Offering hospitality is a profound social act. When we offer hospitality, we invite another into our world, into our lives. We shift our attention from our own cares and concerns to the needs and comfort of the other. By the act of hospitality we transform strangers into friends and intimates, just as Jesus did with Zacchaeus. The hospitality that Jesus offers dissolves all constraints. Relationships disregard the biased measures of propriety, forging bonds of reconciliation and issuing everyone an invitation to intimacy. The hospitality that Jesus offers recreates the world from one of insider versus outsider to one of universal inclusivity. Sinners become friends, the lost are found, and all are restored to the rightful place as children not merely of Abraham but of God. The creativity of the creator is matched by the compassion of the re-creator.

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DAY BY DAY

Monday, 4th November

NO SERVICE

9.30am-3.00pm Church Awareness Program Gulgong

11.00am Funeral Prayers Ron Wellsmore - Mudgee

Tuesday 5th November

9.00am Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion. Mudgee

1.00pm Gulgong Catholic Women's Group Meeting in the Convent.

Wednesday 6th November

9.30am SMCS Kinder Orientation Day

9.30am St Mary's Craft and Friendship Group

4.00pm Holy Hour

5.00 pm Mass

Thursday, 7th November

9.10am Mass Mudgee - SMCS Yrs 1 & 6

10.30am Mass Gulgong - AH K/ Yrs 1/2

11.30am Graveside Service Rylstone for Jill Baskerville.

Friday, 8th November

10.30am Mass Pioneer House

12.00 noon Reconciliation Mudgee

12.30pm Mass Mudgee

Saturday 9th November

Feast of The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

5.15pm- 5.45pm Reconciliation Mudgee

6:00pm Vigil Mass Mudgee

Sunday, 10th November

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

9.00am Mass Mudgee

10.30am Mass Gulgong

10.30am Rosary Rylstone

11.00am Rylstone

Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion.

Liturgy Roster 9th/10th November 2019

Commentator	A.Flynn	Susie Bennett
Readers	P.Cannon G.Brymora	L.Littler J.Tioseco
Special Ministers of Communion	A.Baker P.Dick	Simon Bennett Kevin Scott
Offertory Procession	F & V Solti	J.Potts G.McDermott
Welcomers	F & V Solti	M.Charlesworth G.McDermott
Altar Servers	S. Hawes	R.Maguire M.Griffith R.George A.Disher
Counters	4/11 E.Goodlet J.Potts	11/11 D.Holden L.Nicholson

THERE ARE COPIES OF THE NEW MUDGE ROSTER AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. MOST HAVE BEEN EMAILED TO THOSE WHO PROVIDED AN EMAIL ADDRESS.

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	Sunday 10th November 2019	Kandos Liturgy Roster	Sunday 10th November 2019
<i>Leader</i>			
<i>Commentator</i>	S.Parnell		
<i>Reader</i>	R.Saliba	<i>Readers</i>	Sr Kath L. McPherson
<i>Offertory</i>	M & R Morrissey	<i>Intercessions</i>	P. O'Connor
<i>Special Minister of Communion</i>	M.Carney C.Gaudry	<i>Special Minister of Communion</i>	
<i>Sacristan</i>	E.Donnelly G. Ausburn	<i>Sacristan</i>	A.Krusvar

Quotes for the week

'SMILE,

It is the key that fits everybody's heart.'

Find JOY

in the ordinary.

Pope's Universal Prayer Intention for November



Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

GULGONG NEWS:

Gulgong Catholic Women's Group Meeting: Tuesday 5th November (Melbourne Cup Day) at 1.00pm. Please note earlier time.

Congratulations to all staff and students involved in the production this week *'Are We There Yet?'* Well done to all involved.

All Hallows Jump Off Day (Jump Rope for Heart, Friday 15th November. We wish the students well with their fundraising.

* The ladies are collecting recyclable bottles. Please leave in the bin at the back of the Convent or contact Marlene O'Brien.

**Justice Matters ...
A Call to Action**

I would like to encourage everyone to engage in constructive forms of communication that reject prejudice towards others and foster a culture of encounter, helping all of us to view the world around us with realism and trust.
(Pope Francis)

We are called not just to be inhabitants of this new digital world, but active citizens shaping it. We all have a role to play in rejecting hatred, divisions and falsehoods. More than this, we have a duty to foster a neighbourhood that promotes all of the human attributes and social values that lend themselves to genuine human encounter – love, understanding, beauty, goodness, truth and trustworthiness, joy and hope.



Like us on Facebook up with what is happening in the parish. Find us at
St Mary of the Presentation Catholic Church Mudgee

MUDGE NEWS:

DATE FOR THE DIARY

Feast of Christ the King 23rd/24th November. Remember to wear white. Morning Tea after Sunday Mass.



Save the Date...

Parish Christmas Dinner

Sunday 8th December at 6pm
In the Church grounds
More details to follow.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

The Book of Remembrance will be presented in the Offertory Procession and placed on the altar each day with the names of all who have requested prayers for family and friends. Due to the large number of requests we are not be able to print all the names in the bulletin. The names of the recently deceased, those whose anniversaries occur at this time will continue to be printed.

The Bread of Life Retreat

Spend a great weekend at Shalom, Carcoar and explore how making sourdough bread can be a very spiritual exercise. It's going to be a reflective time, but also a relaxing and fun time as you learn how to bake the best sourdough, learn some new Ignatian meditation and prayer techniques, go on some lovely walks and enjoy some scrumptious food.

This retreat is for everyone to enjoy and the best part is there is no need to have any technical baking skills or advanced training, or holiness, or to be churched to attend. You can just come as you are and do as much or as little as you want.

When: Friday 22nd Nov 6pm to Sunday 24th Nov at 3pm

Venue: Shalom House of Prayer, 7 Collins Street, Carcoar

Cost: Suggested Donation of \$200 (includes all meals and accommodation)

To Register: Ph:02 63673058 or email: shalomcarcoar@gmail.com

or **Book Online at:** shalomcarcoar.com



CEMETERY MASSES IN NOVEMBER

will take place in week beginning 18th November as Fr Owen will be on retreat from 10th-15th Nov.

Dates will be printed in next weeks bulletin.



MARRIAGE: Congratulations to **NATHANIEL ROBERT SROJA** and **LAURA ANNE SERVA** who celebrated the sacrament of marriage in St Mary's this weekend.

November month of the Holy Souls

Masses and prayers requested for the following:

We pray for the recently deceased especially Jill Baskerville (Kandos), Anne McDonald, Ron Wellsmore, Patricia Cruz, Thao Mary Nguyen (sister of Seminarian Thao who is currently on placement in Wellington).

We remember the anniversaries of Robert Gillham, Patricia Donnelly, Arthur Brackenrig, Hilton Morgan, Marie Loy, Norman Dent, Mary Hyland, Cecily Rayner, Marie Paine, Noelene Lennox, Gregory Fitzsimmons, Francis Wolfe and Aileen Eastburn.

Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time:

Tony Newman, Sylvia O'Brien, Eliza Vasilis, Julie Collins, Lance Tito, Marg Doble, Dale Johnson (Melb), Heather Graham, Margaret Melinz, Anna Swientek, Jennifer Ryan, Anne Stayner, Ursula Smieszek, Jasmine Prada, Jason Seis and Mary Cannon and all those in our nursing homes.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14

Psalm 16: 1, 5-6, 8, 15, . R. v. 15

Thessalonians 2: 16-3:5

Luke 20: 27-38



Australian Catholic Bishops Conference National Drought Prayer Campaign

The Catholic Bishops of Australia have announced a National Prayer Campaign for Drought to take place during November. People across the country are encouraged to pray for the gift of rain, for people affected by the drought and to provide practical support, where possible. The Bishops note that large parts of the country are directly affected by the drought, but the impact is national – and so should the response be national. Access resources and find out more at: www.catholic.org.au/drought.

National Prayer Campaign for the gift of rain, for people affected by drought, for support services.

Eternal God,
In wisdom and love you created
our earth to sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now in faith, hope, and love,
asking you to look with favour
on our drought-stricken land,
on our starving animals,
on our failing crops.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart
to our farmers and to all
who are affected by drought;
be with those who support them.

In your loving providence, send abundant rain
and restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion, hear our prayer
through Jesus Christ your Son,
in whom the promise of new life has dawned,
and through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord
the giver of life:

Renew your faithful people;
Renew the face of the earth.

Our Lady of the southern Cross,
Mary, help of Christians -
Pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross Mackillop
Pray for us.

GOSPEL CONNECTIONS

A Good Role Model



That guy Zacchaeus is one of my heroes. He was a little guy. Maybe he was pushed around much of his life by bigger people. The “*in crowd*” looked down upon him. He collected taxes for the Romans, so there couldn’t have been anything good about him.

But Zacchaeus had guts. He couldn’t see Jesus, so he climbed a tree. His job as a tax collector also gave him the power to abuse people, but he told Jesus he would repay people “*four times over*” if he had treated them unjustly. He also had great wealth but pledged to share it with the poor.

In this week’s Gospel, Jesus teaches by making Zacchaeus a role model. Religious people were shocked that Jesus would dine with Zacchaeus. But Jesus, unlike them, saw the man’s heart and scolded onlookers for judging Zacchaeus.

Zacchaeus can be our role model too. And I bet if you look around, you’ll see Christians just like him. I have friends who constantly go out of their way to see Jesus’ spirit in people I write off. They remind me of Zacchaeus. I have friends who will quickly admit their wrongs and make things right. They remind me of Zacchaeus. I have friends who have great wealth but focus more on sharing it with the poor than on protecting it for themselves. They remind me of Zacchaeus. I have friends who have been pushed around and belittled. They’ve never been part of the “*in crowd*”. But they don’t act bitter. They focus on living a good life. They remind me of Zacchaeus.

I bet if you look around your school, parish, family, or local community, you’ll see Zacchaeus. You might catch a glimpse of him if you look in your mirror. I bet people see some of Zacchaeus in you too. Don’t sell yourself short.

Whom do you know who reminds you of Zacchaeus?

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