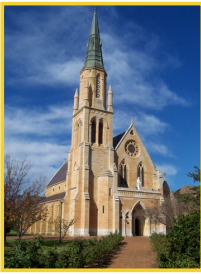


The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!



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-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year C - 10th November 2019

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First Reading:

Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14

The king of the world will receive us into life eternal at the resurrection.

Responsorial Psalm:

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

Response:

Lord, when your glory appears my joy will be full.

Lord, hear a cause that is just,
pay heed to my cry. Turn your ear
to my prayer: no deceit is on my
lips. **(R.)**

I keep my feet firmly in your paths;
there was no faltering in my steps.
I am here and I call, you will hear
me, O God. Turn your ear to me;
hear my words. **(R.)**

Guard me as the apple of your eye.
Hide me in the shadow of your
wings. As for me, in my justice I
shall see your face and be filled,
when I awake, with the sight of
your glory. **(R.)**

Second Reading:

Thessalonians 2: 16-3:5

May the Lord strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of
the dead; glory and kingship be
his for ever and ever.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 20: 27-28

He is not a God of the dead but of the living.

Memorial Acclamation:

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



REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Billy Elliott and the Resurrection

Billy Elliott was a boy brought up in a strife-torn mining town in the north of England. He discovered a passion for dancing. At an interview at the Royal Ballet School which was going badly, he was asked: 'What do you feel when you're dancing?'

'I've got fire in my body.' And he got the scholarship because the panel realised that when Billy danced, he became 'fully alive': bodymindspirit fully integrated. When Billy danced, everything that Billy was, was dancing. That is what our Resurrection is all about. Our whole personality will be dancing with the radiance of Divine Fire coursing through our bodymindspirit. The Sadducees' small-minded sarcasm could not grasp that we will be bodies transfigured, translucent to divine light and energy.

We could take a moment to pray that, by the grace of God, our bodies will dance, enflamed by Divine Love.

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DAY BY DAY

Monday, 11th November

REMEMBRANCE DAY

St Martin of Tours, bishop

NO SERVICE

Tuesday 12th November

St Josaphat, bishop, martyr

9.00am Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion Mudgee

5.00pm SVdP Conference meeting

Wednesday 13th November

9.30am St Mary's Craft and Friendship Group

4.00pm Holy Hour

5.00 pm Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion Mudgee

Thursday, 14th November

9.10am Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion Mudgee

Friday, 15th November

10.30am Kanandah Communion Service

12.30pm Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion Mudgee

Saturday 16th November

5.15pm- 5.45pm Reconciliation Mudgee

6:00pm Vigil Mass Mudgee

Sunday, 17th November

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

9.00am Mass Mudgee

10.30am Gulgong

Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion

10.30am Rosary Rylstone

11.00am Mass Rylstone

Liturgy Roster 16th/17th November 2019

Commentator	S. Abbey	M. Matthews
Readers	I. Byrne A. Fergus	R. Disher R. McKeown
Special Ministers of Communion	L. Nicholson G. Hennessy	J. Keipert M. Cassidy
Offertory Procession	D. Bennett C. Carberry	Disher Family
Welcomers	K. Wall G. Roberts	J. Potts M. Dunnachie
Altar Servers	A. Mills J. Newman	H. Rodgers J. Gilbert J. Gilbert S. Marchant
Counters	11/11 D. Holden L. Nicholson	18/11 E. Goodlet S & G. Robinson

Gulgong Liturgy Roster	Sunday 17th November 2019	Kandos Liturgy Roster	Sunday 17th November 2019
Leader	D. Kelly		
Commentator	C. Gaudry		
Reader	M. McGregor	Readers	M. Turner T. Ryan
Offertory		Intercessions	K. Morrissey
Special Minister of Communion	C. Holland R. Saliba	Special Minister of Communion	H. Roberts
Sacristan	C & E Holland	Sacristan	A. Krusvar

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.

The readings from the Word of God are to be **LISTENED to REVERENTLY** by everyone, for they are an element of the greatest importance in the Liturgy. Although in the readings from Sacred Scripture the Word of God is addressed to all people of whatever era and is understandable to them, a fuller understanding and a greater efficaciousness of the word is nevertheless fostered by a living commentary on the word, that is, by the **HOMILY**, as part of the liturgical action. GIRM 29

Quote for the week

Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow, May looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow.

Author Unknown

Priests Retreat

The Priest in our Diocese are on retreat this week. Please keep them in our prayers. Deacon Karl is available for any emergencies or inquiries



Mass at the Cemetery

Mudgee Mass

Lawn Cemetery

Wednesday 20th November 6.30pm

Rylstone Mass

Friday 22nd November

Cemetery Mass 9.30am

Gulgong Mass

Monday 25th November at 6.00pm

Gulgong Cemetery.

Prayer for Prisoners

God, Our Creator,

We acknowledge the ancestors

and original owners of this land.

Maker and spirit of earth and all creation

let your love possess our land and may we

share in faith and friendship, all your gifts.

We pray for all those in our prisons and

those who through sickness, addictions

and other reasons live in their personal

prisons.

We remember and pray

for those who seek to change

difficult life stories.

We remember and pray

for the victims of crime on the outside.

We remember and pray

for the countless victims of

crime on the inside.

We remember and pray

for the whole criminal justice system

and its processes.

Keep all of us ever mindful of your great

love

so that we may always remember you as a

God of Mercy and forgiveness.

Amen.

Australian Catholic Prisoners

Pastoral Care Council

www.catholic.org.au

MUDGEE 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

MARRIAGE: Congratulations to **NICHOLAS MARK WHITMORE** and



CHARLOTTE ROSE BERRIDGE

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 Nate Darcy, Tony Newman,

Jill Baskerville, Anne McDonald and

Ron Wellsmore.

We remember the anniversaries of

Helen Ryan, Kath Fuller, Joy McGarth,

Marie Hundy, Margaret Robinson,

Lawrence Cluff, Brian McMurtrie,

Harry Keightley, Raymond Ellis,

James Cluff, Bridget Walker, John Felton,

Edward Eales, Ebony Sheehan,

Patrick Organ

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

Sylvia O'Brien, Jenny Bremner,

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.

GULGONG NEWS:

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.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Malachi 3: 19-20

Psalm 97: 5-9. R. cf. v. 9

Thessalonians 3: 7-12

Luke 21: 5-19



Catholic School fees will not increase in 2020



School families across the Diocese have received information this week informing them that Bishop McKenna has decided not to increase fees in Catholic schools across the Diocese of Bathurst in 2020.

After considering advice from the Diocesan Catholic Education Council and the Diocesan Finance Council, and despite the rising costs of education, Bishop McKenna, has come to this decision due to the ongoing severe drought conditions that are having a devastating effect across all communities within the Diocese.

Bishop McKenna said, "As the severity of the drought worsens, I am well aware of the brutal impact it is having on communities whose livelihoods are dependent on rain. As I have said publically on numerous occasions, the provision of affordable Catholic schooling, especially for those in need in this time of drought, should not be an added burden to the financial strain of families".

For this reason, school fees in Diocesan schools will be frozen for the upcoming year. In addition to this measure, the Capital Works Levy will also remain at the same amount as 2019.

It is hoped that this goes some way to assist families in the Diocese and demonstrates the ongoing commitment to making a quality Catholic education affordable for all.

The Bishop also reminds families that if you are suffering financial hardship for any reason and finding it difficult to pay school fees, please contact your school principal to discuss options in relation to available assistance. A family's financial situation should never be a barrier to accessing or continuing a student's enrolment in a Catholic school within the Diocese.

REMEMBRANCE DAY - On 11 November 1918, the guns of the



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Let's Not Forget

Western Front fell silent after four years of continuous warfare. With their armies retreating and close to collapse, German leaders signed an Armistice, bringing to an end the First World War. From the summer of 1918, the five divisions of the Australian Corps had been at the forefront of the allied advance to victory. Beginning with their stunning success at the battle of Hamel in July, they helped to turn the tide of the war at Amiens in August, followed by the capture of Mont St Quentin and Péronne, and the breaching of German defences at the Hindenburg Line in September. By early October the exhausted Australians were withdrawn from battle. They had achieved a fighting reputation out of proportion to their numbers, but victory had come at a heavy cost. They suffered almost 48,000 casualties during 1918, including more than 12,000 dead.

Each year on this day Australians observe one minute's silence at 11am, in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts.

(extra from Australian War Memorial website)

GOSPEL CONNECTIONS

Don't Close Your Mind to God



I wrote a regular newspaper column at university. I usually knew for sure I was right about an issue and attacked opposing arguments by making fun of them. My mind was closed, just like the Sadducees' in this week's Gospel.

The Sadducees were members of a religious group whose beliefs differed from Jesus' teachings. For example, they didn't believe in the Resurrection or in angels. But in this week's Gospel, they didn't listen to him and rethink their positions; instead, they made an argument that mocked his beliefs.

That's too common in our society. People don't listen to one another; instead, they attack or belittle one another. It's an easy style to adopt. You don't have to think if you can shout down or mock your opponent.

But that's how you miss God's wisdom. This week's Gospel reminds us that sometimes God challenges our positions on things like religion, school, and family. That challenge will likely come through friends, pastors, teachers, work colleagues, and family members. The Spirit calls us to keep our minds open, especially to people with whom we disagree.

Here are some tips:

When you disagree with someone, avoid the temptation to close your mind or respond with sarcasm or personal attacks. Think. Ask God to help you consider opposing opinions closely.

Don't let pride get in the way. God calls us to full life, but we miss out – like the Sadducees did – when we're not open to the spiritual and intellectual changes that life brings.

What makes it tough for you to keep your mind open when you disagree with someone?

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