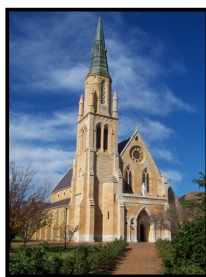


*The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!*



## 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.



## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A 9th August 2020

### Parish Priest

Fr Owen Gibbons

### Assistant Priest

Fr Dong Van Nguyen

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Deacon Charles Applin

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### Parish Office Hours

**Mon, 10.00am - 4.00pm**

**Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri 9.00am -**

**1.00pm : 2.00pm - 4.00pm**

### OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

#### St Matthews Catholic School Mudgee:

**Principal:** Mrs Angela Myles

Ph 02 63721742

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#### All Hallows Catholic School Gulgong:

**Principal:** Mr Bradley Toole

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### NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 2020 ~ 2-9 AUGUST

This week is National Vocations Awareness Week, celebrated from 2-9 August. This is a time the whole Church community is called to pray for an increase in vocations, and to support and encourage those discerning their vocation.

Pope Francis recently encouraged all Catholics to contemplate their vocation. The Holy Father acknowledged that answering the Lord's call demands the courage to take a risk. "I invite everyone," he said, "to ask the Lord for the gift of good labourers for His Kingdom, with hearts and hands open to His love."

National Vocations week provides an opportunity for all Australian dioceses, parishes, schools, religious communities, youth and campus ministers, and other Catholic organisations, to focus at the same time on the 'call to holiness' that arises from our Baptism, and thus to further foster a vocations culture across Australia.

Father Carl Mackander is the Vocations Director for the Diocese of Bathurst and Father Reynold Jaboneta is the Assistant Director.

Contact Father Carl at [pp.wellington@cdob.org.au](mailto:pp.wellington@cdob.org.au) or Fr Reynold at [pp.coonabarabran@cdob.org.au](mailto:pp.coonabarabran@cdob.org.au) if you would like any information in relation to answering God's call to live your vocation.



### Prayer for Vocations

O God, who chose the Apostles to make disciples of all nations, and who by Baptism and Confirmation has called us to build up your Holy Church, we implore you to choose from among us, your children, many priests and religious who will love you with their whole hearts and will gladly spend their lives to make you better known and loved by all.

Through Christ Our Lord,  
Amen



**Connect@home** is a daily email provided by the Catholic Diocese of Bathurst. It invites individuals to enter daily into the beauty and power of the Scriptures. It offers a chance to be nourished and formed by the Word of God, especially in a time when gathering as a community for Mass is challenging.

Each morning, you will receive an email with a link to the daily readings set by the Church and a short reflection and prayer. You could do this sacred reading on your own, or with members of your household. This is a chance for us as a local church to connect with one another and with Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, who is with us in all we are going through.

To receive the daily email, subscribe on the Diocesan website at: [bathurst.catholic.org.au](http://bathurst.catholic.org.au) or email your request to subscribe to Connect@home to [comms@bathurst.catholic.org.au](mailto:comms@bathurst.catholic.org.au)

**Live Streaming of Sunday Mass this Sunday** is from  
St Marys <https://www.facebook.com/stmaryscatholicmudgee/>  
Sunday 16th August will be Live Streamed from Cowra.



**Other options: Daily Mass** from the Church of St Francis Xavier, Lavender Bay, available  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYRq7AjVimr-hcHFJD\\_HVaQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYRq7AjVimr-hcHFJD_HVaQ)

Choose 'Mass on Demand' **Sunday Mass** is also available to watch on television every **Sunday at 6.00am on Channel Ten.**

**First Reading: [1 Kgs 19:9.11-13](#)**

*Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord God.*

**Responsorial Psalm [Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8](#)**

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
and grant us your salvation

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,  
a voice that speaks of peace.  
His help is near for those who fear him  
and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)



Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven. (R.)

The Lord will make us prosper  
and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

**Second Reading: [Rom 8:35. 37-39](#)**

*I would willingly be condemned if it could help my people.*

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I hope in the Lord,  
I trust in his word.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel [Mt 14:13-21](#)**

*Command me to come to you over the water.*

**Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

In the year 1300 the church in Rome celebrated one of the first "holy year" feasts that would come to mark each centenary, then each twenty-five years, and occasionally each year ending in 33 (the traditional age of Jesus) or even 83 (the traditional age of Jesus, plus 50!), as in 1833, 1933, 1983. In 1330, pilgrims descended on Rome for this holy year, as they would for centuries thereafter. As part of the commemoration, two years the mosaicist Giotto di Bondone was commissioned to create the navicella (the little boat) that depicts the scene we read in the gospel today for St. Peter's Basilica. Centuries after di Bondone, during the time that St. Peter's Basilica was completely renovated, the navicella was nearly destroyed. It was ultimately restored and moved to the portico of the renovated Basilica where it can still be seen today. Often visitors and pilgrims walk right under it without knowing it's there! When one stands under the portico, looking out to the piazza, the mosaic is directly overhead, on the inside panel of the exterior wall of the façade, facing the basilica.

The episode in the gospel (Jesus walking on the water) appears in two other gospel accounts, but Matthew has a unique version of the story. It is only Matthew that has Peter on the water with Jesus, and then sinking due to a lack of faith. Of course, Jesus rescues him and that is the moment depicted in di Bondone's mosaic at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

It doesn't take much imagination to see in this story that the boat represents the church (Matthew is the only gospel to use the term "church") and that Peter, as leader of the twelve himself is reliant upon Jesus. In fact, the entire boat is

buffeted by the storm but does not sink. When Jesus comes aboard, the storm subsides and the waters are calm. We are told that this happened during the fourth watch of the night (between 3 am and 6 am). Modern folks might wonder what the twelve were doing on the water at time of night, especially during a storm! The answer is that Jesus had commanded them to meet him at other side. The Sea of Galilee is about thirteen miles wide. So even to traverse the shorter distance could have been treacherous, especially at night.

As for those of us in the boat today, we can expect turbulence much like the disciples themselves experienced. Though Peter was willing to step outside the boat, his faith was little, not enough for him to stand on his own. His immediate cry for help was heard and he was saved. We may take comfort in knowing that those in the ship will be safe even if the journey is bumpy. And the Lord is there to save us when we cry out.

**Connecting the Gospel**

To the first reading: In the first reading, the prophet Elijah also receives a revelation of God. Standing outside of a cave where he has been told "the Lord will be passing by," Elijah witnesses a strong, heavy wind that crushes rocks and rends the mountains, an earthquake, and a fire, but God is not in any of these displays of force or power. It is only when he encounters "a tiny whispering sound" that Elijah hides his face in his cloak. The same calm seems to fall upon the disciples in the boat when the wind ceases. In the post-storm silence they do "him homage, saying, "Truly, you are the Son of God."

**Source: Living Liturgy Used with permission.**

We welcome in Baptism this weekend

**Josephine Ann White** daughter of James and Amanda.



**Peggy Kathleen Price** daughter of Dillon and Jessie.

**Mason Levi Hudson Drew** son of Nathan and Sophie, who is to be baptised in Gulgong.

### Safe Church Awareness Workshop

Date: 21st August 2020

**Safe Church Awareness Workshops** are facilitated by trained presenters, hosted by local churches, and attendance is recognised by members of the National Council of Churches in Australia Safe Church Training Agreement.

**The Diocese of Bathurst** recommends that Clergy and religious, Seminarians, Parish Secretaries and office staff, Parish Council members, Parish volunteers, Coordinators, SRE teachers, Youth ministers, Youth group volunteers, Children's Ministry, Music Ministry and those who have contact with vulnerable people especially if visiting homes eg communion to the sick attend

#### Topics covered:

- ◆ duty of care, codes of conduct, power, transparency, and accountability
- ◆ protecting vulnerable people, indicators of abuse.

All Hallows School Gulgong Bayly St

9:00am – 2:30pm (Please arrive by 8:45am so we can start on time)

The Parish and Diocese have covered the cost (for those outside of the parish the cost is \$35 per person).

#### RSVP

Pre-registration is required via <https://forms.gle/S5QGxbnmPoThh3tZ9> the QR code or to your parish office

Enquiries 6334 6400 or [admin@bathurst.catholic.org.au](mailto:admin@bathurst.catholic.org.au)

### NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

#### Gone Fishin' - Men's Weekend Retreat at Shalom 28 - 30 August

This weekend is for blokes only... to get away and take some MEN time to reflect on the values in your life and who you aspire to be.

It is about having the time to stop and reflect through some simple meditation exercises on what you need most in your life right now. There will also be walks and talks about the values that different blokes use to cope with life's many challenges.

It is not about being particularly holy, religious or prayerful... just come as you are.

So come fishing... with some good company, a bit of fun and maybe a few beers over the BBQ in the beautiful surrounds at Shalom and historic Carcoar.

Limited Places due to new COVID Safe Protocols

When: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August from 6.00pm to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2.00pm

Where: Shalom, 7 Collins St, Carcoar

Cost: \$240. For Bookings phone: 02 63673058

email: [shalomcarcoar@gmail.com](mailto:shalomcarcoar@gmail.com) book

online: [shalomcarcoar.com](http://shalomcarcoar.com)

### PRAYER PARTNERS FOR ST MATTHEWS YEAR 12 STUDENTS

Thank you to those who have already volunteered to pray for the students. We are seeking parishioners willing to pray and support a student as they continue to prepare for their Yr 12 HSC examinations.

#### Masses and prayers Requested for the following:

**For the recently deceased especially** Judith Watson, Michael Abbot (Castle Hill), Gwen Bates (Wollongong), Ron Phillips and Malcolm Roth.

**We remember the anniversary of** Ben Roberts, Kaitlin Dalmay, Jack Barrett, Enid Devoy, Toby Buckley, Gerry Doherty, Edna Power.

**We also pray for all the** Covid 19 sick and deceased, victims of the Beirut explosions.

**Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are sick at this time:** Anne McLean, Judith Grant, Maria Brec, Brian Kurtz, Sylvia O'Brien, Vicky Gaffney, Anthony Spina, Eliza Vasilis, Julie Collins, Anna Swientek, Elizabeth Donnelly, Ursula Smieszek, Jasmine

### COVID - 19 REMINDERS

#### NEW ADVISE FROM THE NSW STATE GOVERNMENT IN RELATION TO FACE MASKS -

It is 'strongly recommended' that facemarks should be worn while in an enclosed space: Places of worship (Church, Synagogue or Mosque), shopping centre and on public transport). We want to keep everyone safe so please follow this advise.

If you have flu like symptoms please do not enter our church, stay at home and be tested.

- ◆ If you are a vulnerable person the advice is to remain at home.
- ◆ We have parishioners assigned to usher you to your seats. We do this for your protection and also to ensure you are seated according to Covid regulations. Where there are families attending together (more than 2 or more people living in the same household) we need to regulate the spacing (a vacant seat is required in front and behind). Please assist us by allowing those on duty to seat you accordingly.
- ◆ Please place your name and contact number on the sheets provided at the entrance of the church.
- ◆ Please remain 1.5 metre apart unless you are from the same household.
- ◆ Please sanitise your hands as you enter the church and when you leave the church.
- ◆ Parishioners are **NOT TO JOIN IN SINGING AT MASS.**
- ◆ All parts of the Mass will be said.
- ◆ Church capacity St Mary's Church, Mudgee - 80  
St John the Baptist Gulgong - 47  
St Malachy's, Rylstone - 40  
St Dominic's, Kandos - 50
- ◆ **PLEASE TAKE YOUR BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU** - otherwise place in the bin as you leave the Church.

## MASS TIMETABLE

### MONDAY - 10th August

#### Feast of St Lawrence

No Mass  
12 Noon Angelus

### TUESDAY - 11th August

#### St Clare, memorial

9.30am Mass Mudgee  
12 Noon Angelus

### WEDNESDAY - 12th August

9.30am Mass Mudgee  
9.30am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group  
12 Noon Angelus

### THURSDAY - 13th August

9.30am Mass Mudgee  
12 Noon Angelus

### FRIDAY - 14th August

#### St Maximilian Kolbe, memoria

10.30am Mass Gulgong  
12 Noon Angelus  
12 Noon Mass Rylstone  
12.30pm Mass Mudgee

### SATURDAY - 15th August

#### 9.30am Mass - Holy Day of Obligation

#### The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

11.00am Baptism  
12 Noon Angelus  
5.00pm Vigil Mass Mudgee

### SUNDAY: 16th August

#### Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Mass Mudgee  
10.30am Mass Gulgong  
11.00am Mass Kandos  
12 Noon Angelus

### Confession/Anointing/ Home Communion

Please ring and make an appointment, Fr Owen and Fr Dong are available, and we can visit you at home.

**THE CHURCH IS  
OPEN  
FOR MASS AND  
VISITATION  
TUES-THURS  
9.15 -10.30AM  
FRIDAY  
11.30AM - 1.15PM**

### National Emergency Appeal for Lebanon

In response to the horrific explosion in Beirut on the 4<sup>th</sup> of August, the Australian office of the international Catholic Charity, Aid to the Church in Need, has launched a national emergency appeal to raise funds to support the people of Lebanon. To read more about the appeal, and to make a donation, please visit: [www.aidtochurch.org/lebanon](http://www.aidtochurch.org/lebanon) or call 1800 101 201 during business hours: 8am-5pm, AEST.

## Mudgee Roster for August

Date	First Reading	Second Reading	Prayers of the Faithful	MUSIC
Sat 8th Aug	J Newman	J Newman	A Paterson	
Sun 9th Aug	M.McLean	L.Littler	A.Myles	Ruella & Barry
Sat 16th Aug	G.Hennessy	L.Nicholson	I.Byrne	
Sun 17th Aug	M.Dunnachie	M.Cassidy	C.Devitt	Ruth & Marianne
Sat 29th Aug	L.Ryan	A.Fergus	C.Furney	
Sun 30th Aug	J.Tioseco	A.Myles	J.O'Brien	Karen & John

## Gulgong Roster for august

Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
9th August	D.Kelly	J.Ritar	
16th August	C.Gaudry	C.Leotta	
23nd August	E.Donnely	D.Hudson	R.Saliba

**Thank you for supporting our parish. To donate to the Parish go online or call at the Parish Office.**

### BANK DETAILS FOR DIRECT CREDIT PLANNED GIVING

<b>Kandos Parish</b> BSB - 066 781 Acc No 100005344 Reference: Your name	 <b>Gulgong Parish</b> BSB - 066 781 Acc No 100006612 Reference: Your name	<b>Mudgee Parish</b> BSB - 066 781 Acc No 100004583 Reference: Your name.
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Our congratulations and very best wishes to

**Marie Sheridan** who turned 98 yrs this week.

May God's blessing be upon you Marie.

**Quote:** Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for **GOD IS WITH YOU WHEREVER YOU GO.** Joshua 1:9

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

[Is 56:1.6-7](#)

[Ps 66:2-3 5-6. 8. R. v.4](#)

[Rom 11:13-15. 29-32](#)

[Mt 15:21-28](#)