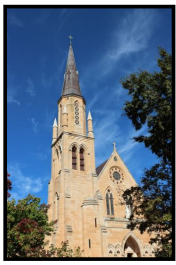


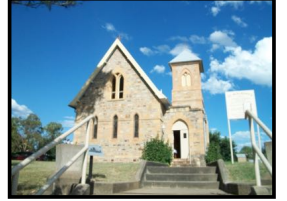
*The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!*



## 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.



### TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C 11TH SEPTEMBER 2022 CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY

**First Reading:** [Ex 32:7-11. 13-14](#)

*The Lord relented and did not send the evil he had threatened.*

**Responsorial Psalm:** [Ps 50:3-4. 12-13. 17. 19. R. Lk 15:18](#)

**(R.) I will rise and go to my father.**

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.  
In your compassion blot out my offence. O wash me  
more and more from my guilt  
and cleanse me from my sin. (R.)

A pure heart create for me, O God,  
put a steadfast spirit within me.  
Do not cast me away from your presence,  
nor deprive me of your holy spirit. (R.)

O Lord, open my lips  
and my mouth shall declare your praise.  
My sacrifice is a contrite spirit;  
a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn. (R.)

**Second Reading:** [1 Tm 1:12-17](#)

*Christ came to save sinners.*

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;  
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted  
to us. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** [Lk 15:1-32](#)

*There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who does penance.*

**REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA**

The God who spoke to Moses is pained by the depravity of the people yet moved to show them mercy. Who could ever have imagined such a God? The God depicted in the gospel actually searches for what is lost. He seems to abandon the safe ones for the sake of the one who has strayed. She goes to great lengths to find one coin. As a spurned yet loving father, God patiently waits until we come to our senses. Who could ever have conceived of such a God?

Our God seems consumed with an insatiable desire to reestablish a relationship with us after we have turned our backs on God, have chosen to commit our loyalties elsewhere, have thoughtlessly wandered off into danger that threatens our well being, not God's. What is it about us that makes us so desirable? The answer has less to do with us than with the magnanimous character of God. It is almost as if unconditional love is not simply a characteristic of God, but God's very essence and no human frailty or depravity can change this.

Paul insists that it is through Christ that all of this is accomplished. It is through the sacrifice of Christ that the depraved are forgiven, that sinners are saved, that the lost are found. It is through Christ that we are sought by God, and Christ is the very gift of mercy, the forgiveness of our sins, the celebration of our return.

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Mon 10.00am - 4.00pm  
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**Mudgee Roster**  
Saturday 17th / Sunday 18th September 2022

	Sat 5.00pm	Sun 9.00am
<b>Commentator</b>	B. Petersen	M. McLean
<b>First Reader</b>	L. Nicholson	J. Wilkinson
<b>Second Reader</b>	G. Brymora	M. Price
<b>Extraordinary Minister of Communion</b>	A. Fergus	M. Gilbert
<b>Altar Server</b>	E. Littler E. McKid	J. Rosetto
<b>Music</b>	Ruella & Choir	Jerry & Choir
<b>Welcomer</b>	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	M. Dunnachie
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>HELP NEEDED</b>	Children's Liturgy
<b>Counter</b>	<b>Mon 12th Sept</b>	E. Goodlet

**Mudgee Roster**  
Saturday 24th / Sunday 25th September 2022

	Sat 5.00pm	Sun 9.00am
<b>Commentator</b>	D. Cunningham	L. Croake
<b>First Reader</b>	S. Walker	E. de Vries
<b>Second Reader</b>	C. Furney	M. Dunnachie
<b>Extraordinary Minister of Communion</b>	I. Byrne	R. Croake
<b>Altar Server</b>	W. Forster	S. Keaton
<b>Music</b>	Rachel & Choir	Ruth & Marianne
<b>Welcomer</b>	HELP NEEDED	G. Stokes
<b>Offertory</b>	HELP NEEDED	Children's Liturgy
<b>Counter</b>	Mon 19th Sept	R. Croake

**Gulgong Roster**

Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
<b>18 Sep</b>	R. Saliba	S. Parnell	R. Saliba
<b>25 Sep</b>	D. Kelly	J. Ritar	R. Saliba
<b>2nd Oct</b>	P. Leotta	E. Donnelly	M & E Carney

*"Not every day is good but there is something good in every day."*  
Alice Morse Earl



**FIRST RECONCILIATION**  
**PARENT/CARERS**  
**COMMITMENT AND**  
**INFORMATION SESSIONS**  
**\*\* Thursday 20th September**  
**12.30pm**  
**\*\* Tuesday 22nd September at**  
**5.30pm**

**DAY BY DAY**

**MONDAY - 12th September**  
12.00 Noon Angelus  
5.00pm Word & Faith - Parish Centre. All Welcome

**TUESDAY - 13th September**  
9.30am Mass  
11.00am Requiem Mass, St Mary's - Jamal Khoury  
12.00 Noon Angelus

**WEDNESDAY - 14th September**  
10.00am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group  
12.00 Noon Angelus  
5.45pm Mass Mudgee

**THURSDAY - 15th September**  
9.30am Mass Mudgee - SMCS Kindergarten  
12.00 Noon Angelus  
12.30pm Mass & Commitment for Reconciliation - Gulgong

**FRIDAY - 16th September**  
10.30am Mass - Kanandah Hostel  
11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
12.00 Noon Angelus and Rosary (Front of Church)  
12.00 Noon Reconciliation (Back of Church)  
12.30pm Mass Mudgee  
2.00pm Prayer Service, St Mary's - Joan Paine

**SATURDAY - 17th September**  
11.00am Baptism  
4.15pm Reconciliation  
5.00pm Vigil Mass - Mudgee

**SUNDAY - 18th September**  
**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
9.00am Mass - Mudgee  
10.30am Mass - Gulgong  
11.00am Mass - Kandos

**Anointing/ Home Communion:**  
If you know of anyone who would like Anointing/ Home Communion, please ring the office.  
Fr Owen and Fr Thao are available, and can visit at home or in hospital.

**Baptism:** We welcome to the Parish community in Mudgee



*Isla Grace Hundy*  
daughter of Mark and Jessica;

*Milah Martin & Ashley Martin*  
children of Jack and Ashley.

Congratulations to:



*Zak Blackwell*  
*Eleanor Disher*  
*Samuel Wrigley*  
*Hannah Witheriff*  
*Josephine Reith*  
*Indigo North*

who received First Holy Communion during this week in Mudgee.

Congratulations to:

*Lexi Williams*  
*David Howden*  
*Noah Thompson*  
*Dakota Walts*  
*Caitlin Britten*  
*Dylan McKeown*  
*Tayla McKeown*

who received First Holy Communion during this weekend in Gulgong.



**Masses and prayers requested for the following.**

**For the recently deceased especially:**

Bernadette Mahon, Jamal Khoury, Joan Paine, Malcolm Petrie, Laurence McGuinness and also Queen Elizabeth II.

**We remember the anniversaries of:**

Dick Gawthorne, Jack Fogarty, Gill Barrow, Bill Washington, Phillip Curry, Charlotte Maxwell, Walter Rayner, Joan Stuart, Marjorie Hill, Lynette Ellis, Paul Drew, Bernadette Candutti, Dennis McGarth

**We also pray for:**

Bob Prowse, Marea Cox, Russell Lutchini, Barry Slater, Rex Donnelly, Helen Shearman and Craig Lynch, Jeff Jones, Paul Flynn.

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

John Carney, Dennis Petersen, Joe Saliba, Tony Spina, Geoffrey Munn, Gwen Ausburn, Tony Harris, John Cross, Dianne Brown, Molly Jenkins, Howard Brady, Alicia Knights, Tony Dimmock, Elizabeth Donnelly, Rodrigo Jaboneta, Dyanna Thomeny, Carmel Thompson and all those in our Nursing Homes.



The Flavours of Mudgee will be on Saturday, 24th September.

Please be aware that the streets around the church will be closed from 12 noon on that day. No Parking will be available in the Parish carpark or at the front of the church for 5pm Mass.



**St Matthews Year 12 Students  
and  
Prayer Partners  
Morning Tea**



**When:** Wednesday, 21st September 2022

**Where:** Presbytery Veranda

**Time:** 10.00am

Please RSVP to the Parish Office by Monday 19th September for catering purposes. Ph. 6372-2122 or email [office.mudgee@cdob.org.au](mailto:office.mudgee@cdob.org.au)



**First Holy Communion Parishioner Prayer**

Lord,  
We pray for the young children in our parish community as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. Help us to show witness and example to them as they learn more about you and our church through our parish community. Amen!



**Reading for Next Sunday: THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C**  
[Am 8:4-7](#)      [Ps 112:1-2, 4-8. R. see vv.1, 7](#)      [1 Tm 2:1-8](#)      [Lk 16:1-13](#)



The Parishes of Mudgee, Gulgong, Kandos and Rylstone and the Diocese of Bathurst are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work together to ensure all people feel safe and supported.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: [www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday](http://www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday)

*Gracious God,  
you love and care for all of your children, especially the smallest and most vulnerable. We entrust to you the lives of children and adults at risk who have been sexually abused, and whose trust and innocence have been destroyed.*

*Help us to hear their cries of pain and to take responsibility for those whose lives have been broken. Help us to recognise the hurt felt by those wounded by abuse, and the failure to be heard.*

*We pray that with the help of your grace communities and families will find understanding and support, so that now and in the future their wounds may be healed and they may find lasting peace.*

*Let your grace and love fall gently now upon our children and adults at risk, giving them the inner strength, peace and resilience  
to seek out assistance when required.*

*We ask this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.  
Amen*

### Mudgee, Gulgong, Kandos, and Rylstone Parish Calendar

Thank you to all the businesses and individuals that have sponsored our calendar. Your donations have been greatly appreciated.

If you would like to be a sponsor, it is not too late. We are accepting sponsors up to 4pm on Monday 12th September. Please contact the office on 6372-2122 or via email [office.mudgee@cdob.org.au](mailto:office.mudgee@cdob.org.au) if you would like to be involved so your name can be acknowledged on the calendar.



### Listen to the Voice of Creation SEASON OF CREATION 2022

#### Make sustainable lifestyle changes on an individual level

The Season of Creation is a wonderful time to reflect on how our lifestyles affect the environment and to make a commitment to more sustainable ways of living. The good news is that making more sustainable lifestyle choices in just a few areas adds up to a big difference overall. As the saying goes, "Let us live simply so that others may simply live." Living simply is a way to ensure our planet is truly a home for all.

The Vatican has launched the "[Laudato Si Action Platform](#)", to support Catholic Institutions and families to move toward total sustainability in the spirit of integral ecology and Laudato Si'.

#### 'Gone Fishin' 2 - Men's Weekend Retreat Shalom Sept 30- Oct 2

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.

When: September Friday 30th 6pm to October Sunday 2nd 2pm

Where: Shalom 7 Collins St Carcoar

Cost: \$280

For Bookings: phone 02 63673058, email: [shalomcarcoar@gmail.com](mailto:shalomcarcoar@gmail.com), online: [shalomcarcoar.com](http://shalomcarcoar.com)