

# 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 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C 2ND OCTOBER 2022

First Reading: <u>Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4</u>
The just will live by faithfulness.

Responsorial Psalm: <u>Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8</u> (R.) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

Second Reading: <u>2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14</u>

Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.

## **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!

Gospel: <u>Lk 17:5-10</u>
If you had faith!



# **Gospel Reflection - Greg Sunter**

How much faith does one have to have? How much faith is enough? How is it possible to measure one person's faith against another?

When the disciples asked Jesus to increase their faith, what exactly were they asking of him? These fishermen and nobodies chosen as disciples by Jesus must surely have had moments of realisation that they were not the sorts of young men normally chosen by Rabbis to be disciples. They must have looked around at the disciples of other teachers and seen that, by comparison, they weren't really in the same league. So they ask Jesus to increase their faith. What they're saying is: make us more like the sorts of people we think we should be. Jesus counters their request by telling them that if they had faith the size of a tiny mustard seed they could accomplish great things. It's not a matter of how much faith one has but what they do with it. How much faith does it take to do great things? Jesus says that it only takes the tiniest scrap of faith.

Jesus follows up this statement by pointing out to the disciples that no matter how small the amount of faith, it carries with it a responsibility and duty to act upon it. One shouldn't be looking for acclaim and special treatment when one acts out of faith as that is simply what is expected. The gift of faith carries with it a duty to live that faith and act upon it.

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### **OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

St Matthews Catholic School Mudgee:

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| Mudgee Roster<br>Saturday 9th / Sunday 10th October 2022  |                       |                    |  |  |
|   | Sat 5.00pm            | Sun 9.00am         |  |  |
| Commentator   | B. Petersen           | M. McLean          |  |  |
| First Reader  | L. Nicholson          | M. Matthews        |  |  |
| Second Reader   | S. Walker             | L. Croake          |  |  |
| Extraordinary<br>Minister of<br>Communion                 | A. Fergus             | R. Croake          |  |  |
| Altar Server  | Williams Family       | Portelli Family    |  |  |
| Music   | Rachel & Choir        | Jerry & Choir      |  |  |
| Welcomer  | HELP NEEDED           | M.Dunnachie        |  |  |
| Offertory   | HELP NEEDED           | Children's Litgury |  |  |
| Counter   | Tues 4th October      | M. Walker          |  |  |
| Mudgee Roster<br>Saturday 15th / Sunday 16th October 2022 |                       |                    |  |  |

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| Commentator                               | D.Cunningham                   | unningham A. Myles |  |  |
| First Reader                              | K. O'Brien N. Whitmore         |                    |  |  |
| Second Reader                             | O. O'Brien J. Wilkinson        |                    |  |  |
| Extraordinary<br>Minister of<br>Communion | G. Brymora M. Dunnachie        |                    |  |  |
| Altar Server                              | W. Littler<br>N. Witheriff     | 1 10 11            |  |  |
| Music                                     |                                | Jerry & Choir      |  |  |
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| Offertory                                 | HELP NEEDED Children's Litgury |                    |  |  |
| Counter                                   | Mon 11th Oct L. Nicholson      |                    |  |  |

| Gulgong Roster |             |             |                             |  |  |
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| Date           | Commentator | Reader      | Sacristan                   |  |  |
| 9th Oct        | S. Parnell  | M. McGregor | E. Donnelly &<br>G. Ausburn |  |  |
| 16th Oct       | C. Gaudry   | B. Toole    | C. Holland                  |  |  |
| 23rd Oct       | E. Donnelly | D. Hudson   | R. Saliba                   |  |  |

#### **DAY BY DAY**

#### **MONDAY - 3rd October**

**Public Holiday** 

12.00 Noon Angelus

#### **TUESDAY - 4th October**

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12.00 Noon Angelus

#### **WEDNESDAY - 5th October**

#### St Francis of Assisi - Memorial

10.00am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group

12.00 Noon Angelus

5.45pm Mass Mudgee

#### **THURSDAY - 6th October**

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12.00 Noon Angelus

#### **FRIDAY - 7th October**

#### **Our Lady of the Rosary - Memorial**

10.30am Mass - Opal Nursing Home

12.00 Noon Angelus and Rosary (Front of Church)

12.00 Noon Reconciliation (Back of Church)

12.30pm Mass Mudgee

5.30pm Holy Hour

#### **SATURDAY - 8th October**

11.00am Baptism

4.15pm Reconciliation

6.00pm Vigil Mass - Mudgee

#### **SUNDAY - 9th October**

## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.00am Mass - Mudgee

10.30am Mass - Gulgong

11.00am Communion Service - Rylstone

6.00pm Word & Faith - Parish Centre. All Welcome

#### **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.

Fr Owen will be on Annual leave until the end of October.

#### **Gulgong Catholic Womens' Group**

WHAT Book Sale

WHERE St John the Baptist Church Gulgong

WHEN Sunday 9th October after the 10.30 Mass

Enjoy a cup of tea with the Gulgong Ladies



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Baptism: We welcome to the Parish community in Mudgee



Matilda Jade Fittler <sup>and</sup> Latrick Nicholas Fittler

children of Nicholas and Penelope

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

#### For the recently deceased especially:

Irene Longhurst.

#### We remember the anniversaries of:

Reg Ellery, Robby de Vries, Daryl Bakers, Stephen Dixon, Nash Miles-Smith, Pamela Burns, Barbara Lennon, Tony Adams, James Palmer, Irene Kalka, Chris Brown.

#### We also pray for:

Michael Azar, Bob Prowse, Marea Cox, Russell Lutchini, Barry Slater, Rex Donnelly, Helen Shearman, Craig Lynch, Jeff Jones, Paul Flynn, Bernadette Mahon, Jamal Khoury, Joan Paine, Malcolm Petrie.

#### Prayers requested for:

Vikki Treves, Molly Jenkins, Debra O'Loughlin, John Carney, Eleni Roberts, Dennis Petersen, Joe Saliba, Tony Spina, Geoffrey Munn, Gwen Ausburn, Tony Harris, John Cross, Dianne Brown, Cherylanne Adamson, Molly Jenkins,

Howard Brady, Alicia Knights, Elizabeth Donelly,

Rodrigo Jaboneta, Dyanna Thomeny, Carmel Thompson and all those in our Nursing Homes.

# evangelise ENCOUNTER DISCIPLESHIP MISSION

The Australian Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry will host a national online conference on evangelisation from October 20-22.

The conference, drawing on the Commission's mandate, will promote understanding and explore practices of evangelisation in Australia through encounters with Christ, formation in discipleship, and mission in the world. It seeks to empower Catholics to carry forward the Church's evangelising mission after the second assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia.

"Evangelisation begins with an encounter with Jesus Christ, is nurtured through discipleship in our worshiping communities and calls us all to be missionary in the world," Archbishop Christopher Prowse.

Use the address below to register:

https://eventfrog.eventsair.com/evangelise-conference/conf22

#### Congratulations to:



# Ellie Meuret

who will receive First Holy Communion this weekend in Mudgee.

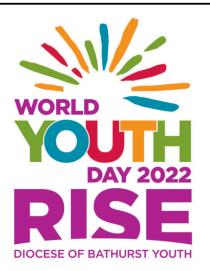


'Walking with Wisdom Series' (in person or via Zoom), 4 x Thursdays, 6-27 October 2022, 10am-12.30pm. This series offers a time to explore the depths of wisdom in our own heart, to recognise wisdom in the encounter with another ... to dwell in the Heart of Contemplation. Led by spiritual directors Carole Carmody rsm and Julie Adam. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope St, Malvern VIC.

Cost \$30 per session or \$100 for the series.

Book and pay via www.heartoflife.melbourne, email office@heartoflife.melbourne, or tel (03) 9890 1101.

Fr Owen and Fr Thao would like to thank everyone who has given them food over the past couple of months. We have an assortment of containers. Please collect your containers from the Parish Centre.



This year the Diocese of Bathurst is commencing a new initiative - a local celebration of World Youth Day in every parish across the Diocese. In these celebrations, young people from our schools and parishes will be invited to help animate and facilitate a parish celebration of prayer and Mass in their local parish.

This is a unique opportunity to celebrate the wonderful and great work that occurs across our Diocese in relation to youth ministry and also to remind us of the importance of youth in our church.

More information to follow in the coming weeks.

#### **First Reconciliation Parishioner Prayer**

Lord,

We pray for the young children of our parish community as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation. Help us to show witness and example to them as they learn more about you and our church through our parish community.

Amen.

# Marriage Blessing

God, our Father,

We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,

One family, in the Spirit of your love.

Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind,

gentle and generous,

welcoming to those in need.

Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.

Protect all couples and families with your loving care,

Increase their faith,

Strengthen their hope,

Keep them safe in your love,

Make them always grateful for the gift of life that they share.

And May almighty God Bless you all,

the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Amen



#### **SEASON OF CREATION** by Nick Brodie

The dynamic between the apostles and Jesus revealed in this week's Gospel is fascinating. Tellingly, rather than asking for Jesus to increase their faith, they tell him to. There are similarities here in wanting to have the best seats at feasts, to be seen as the most devout person in the temple, and so on. This Gospel passage is part of Luke's wider narrative arc which shows Jesus upending social conventions and questioning mindsets of self-aggrandisement.

Also important is what is at stake. The apostles rather naively see faith as some measurable thing which they can possess in greater or lesser amounts. Jesus turns this view of faith on its head by telling them that even with a smidgen of faith they could do great things. Faith is not meant to be accumulated; it is meant to spark action. That Jesus then goes on to speak of servants doing their duty further underlines his point that the apostles' desire for faith needs to be redirected to action.

# Word & Faith Group

The group will start meeting on Sunday evenings at 6pm from this Sunday, 2nd October. The meeting will be held in the Parish Centre in Mudgee. All Welcome.

#### **Hymns for Sunday Mass**

#### **Christ Be Our Light**

Bernadette Farrell

our Light

Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people Light for the world to see.

#### **Refrain:**

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace our world is troubled.

Longing for hope many despair.

Your word alone has power to save us.

Make us your living voice.

Refrain

Longing for food, many are hungry.

Longing for water, many still thirst.

Make us your bread, broken for others,

Shared until all are fed.

Refrain

Longing for shelter, people are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building, sheltering others, Walls made of living stone. **Refrain** 

Many the gifts, many the people.

Many the hearts that yearn to belong.

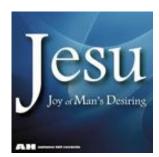
Let us be servants to one another,

making your kingdom come. Refrain

# Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring

J.S. Bach

Jesu, joy of man's desiring
Holy wisdom, love most bright
Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring
Soar to uncreated light
Word of God, our flesh that fashioned
With the fire of life impassioned
Striving still to truth unknown
Soaring, dying round Thy throne



(Verse 2)

Through the way where hope is guiding Hark, what peaceful music rings Where the flock in Thee confiding Drink of joy from deathless springs Theirs is beauty's fairest pleasure Theirs is wisdom's holiest treasure Thou dost ever lead Thine own In the love of joys unknown