

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 THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C 13TH NOVEMBER 2022 WORLD DAY OF THE POOR



13 November 2022

*For your sakes
Christ became poor
(cf. 2 Cor 8:9)*



Sunday 13 November 2022 is the sixth World Day of the Poor, with the theme of "For your sakes Christ became poor" (2 Cor 8:9). Pope Francis, in his message for the day, laments that just as the world was emerging from the "tempest of the pandemic", a new catastrophe appeared on the horizon: the Russian invasion of Ukraine and the brutal war which has followed. The war has displaced millions of Ukrainian people and caused

global economic turbulence, with food shortages and rising energy costs which will affect the poorest this winter. The Pope reminds us of the generosity of people in welcoming refugees from recent conflicts in the Middle East. He understands that host communities can feel burdened, and it is difficult to maintain relief efforts, but he says, "This is the moment for us not to lose heart but to renew our initial motivation. The work we have begun needs to be brought to completion with the same sense of responsibility."

In his message for the sixth World Day of the Poor, Pope Francis reminds us that from the very early days of the Church, attention to the needs of the poor was a feature of the community. St Paul, in his letter to the Christians in Corinth, is asking for help for the community in Jerusalem, who are suffering great hardship due to a food shortage in the country. He does not regard this request as a command but instead asks them to take up a collection as "a sign of love, the love shown by Jesus himself". As Pope Francis reminds us, "where the poor are concerned, it is not talk that matters; what matter is rolling up our sleeves and putting faith into practice through a direct involvement, one that cannot be delegated". It is important that no one lacks what is necessary and our concern is born out of sincere and generous concern which sees those who are poor as our brothers and sisters. It is not so much that we are helping them, but that they "lend a hand to help me shake off the lethargy into which I have fallen". Before being the objects of our almsgiving, those who are poor "can help set us free from the snares of anxiety and superficiality". That is why the Pope insists that our work is never for the poor, but with the poor and of the poor, work that brings people together (Fratelli Tutti, 169).

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First Reading: [Mal 3:19-20](#)

The sun of righteousness will shine on you.

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 97:5-9. R. see v.9](#)

(R.) The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. **(R.)**

Let the sea and all within it, thunder;
the world, and all its peoples.
Let the rivers clap their hands
and the hills ring out their joy
at the presence of the Lord. **(R.)**

For the Lord comes,
he comes to rule the earth.
He will rule the world with justice
and the peoples with fairness. **(R.)**

Second Reading: [2 Thes 3:7-12](#)

Do not give anyone food who refuses to work.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lift up your heads and see;
your redemption is near at hand.
Alleluia!

Gospel: [Lk 21:5-19](#)

Your endurance will win you your life.

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IMPORTANT: There has been a change to the Roster.

**Mudgee Roster
Saturday 19th / Sunday 20th November 2022**

	Saturday	Sunday
Commentator	B. Petersen	A. Myles
First Reader	L. Nicholson	
Second Reader	I. Byrne	WORLD YOUTH
Extraordinary Minister of Communion	G. Hennessy	DAY AND
Altar Server	E. McKid N. McLean	SACRAMENT
Music	Rachel & Choir	CELEBRATION
Welcomer	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	
Offertory	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	
Counter	Mon 14th Nov.	L. Nicholson

**Mudgee Roster
Saturday 26th / Sunday 27th November 2022**

	Saturday	Sunday
Commentator	D. Cunningham	S. Abbey
First Reader	St Matthews	St Matthews
Second Reader	St Matthews	St Matthews
Extraordinary Minister of Communion	I. Byrne	R. Croake
Altar Server	N. Witheriff N. McLean	Freeman Family
Music	Rue & Choir	Jerry & Choir
Welcomer	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>
Offertory	<i>HELP NEEDED</i>	Children's Liturgy
Counter	Mon 21st Nov.	E. Goodlet

Gulgong Roster

Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
20th Nov	S. Parnell	C. Leotta	R. Saliba
27th Nov	C. Gaudry	K. Ritar	M & E. Carney
4th Dec	E. Donnelly	D. Kelly	E. Donnelly G. Ausburn

Pope's Intentions for November...

Children who suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

Kandos News

SAVE THE DATE

Anointing Mass and Lunch 11.00am, Sunday, 4th December.



**Incarnate
Advent & Christmas
Daily Reflections 2022**
On sale at Mass this weekend.
\$7.00 each

DAY BY DAY

MONDAY - 14th November 2022

12.00 Noon Angelus

TUESDAY - 15th November

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12.00 Noon Angelus

WEDNESDAY - 16th November

10.00am St Mary's Craft & Friendship Group

12.00 Noon Angelus

5.45pm Mass Mudgee

THURSDAY - 17th November

St Elizabeth of Hungary

9.30am Mass Mudgee - SMCS Year 2

11.30am Funeral - Orange - Fr James Kane

12.00pm Mass All Hallows Gulgong - Parishioners welcome

12.00 Noon Angelus

FRIDAY - 18th November

11.00am Kanandah Nursing Home Mass

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

SATURDAY - 19th November

9.00am St Mary's Craft Group Christmas Gift Giving Sale

11.00am Baptism

5.15pm Reconciliation

6.00pm Vigil Mass - Mudgee

SUNDAY - 20th November

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

MUDGEE WORLD YOUTH DAY

9.00am Mass - Mudgee - Mudgee World Youth Day Event

10.30am Mass - Gulgong

11.00am Mass - Rylstone

6.00pm Word & Faith Reflection - 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.

**2022 Mudgee Churches Association
Community Christmas Lunch
12 Noon Christmas Day
at Mudgee Baptist Church**

All Welcome

To register for lunch - <https://forms.gle/WPnDNu4kik8zPiVx9>
Volunteer registration - <https://forms.gle/viiVz9MuSPZyRHDs9>
or contact the Parish Office 6372 2122

Congratulations to:



*Chantelle Galea
Zaria Lonergan
Remy Savage
Hudson Smith
Ruby Howley*

who will receive their First Holy Communion
this week in Mudgee.

November - Book of Remembrance

During November the Mass requests of all the deceased will be written in the Book of Remembrance. The Book will remain in the Church for all Masses during the week and taken up at the Offertory Procession during the weekend Masses as we pray for all our deceased.

Please clearly write the names on the November Mass envelopes which are available in the Church.



St Mary's Craft and Friendship Group

CHRISTMAS GIFT GIVING SALE

Select the Perfect Gift for that Special Person

Teacher

Workmate

Friend

Family Member

and a Cake Stall of homemade treats



Saturday 19th November 2022

10.00am to 2.00pm

In the grounds of St Mary's Catholic Church

All Proceeds are shared among Local Beneficiaries

Historical Context – Expectation

When the gospel of Mark was written around the year 75 of the 1st Century, the people of that community firmly believed that the world was about to end and that Jesus' return to earth was going to happen any day. Another 10 or so years later, the communities of the gospels of Matthew and Luke were enduring persecution and great hardship. They felt that surviving through this time of struggle would be rewarded with the return of Jesus. However, by the time of the gospel of John, another 10 years later, we see an acceptance that the end is still to come some time in the future. © Greg Sunter

Masses and prayers requested for the following.

For the recently deceased especially:

Philip Rhodes, Steven Carberry, Una Harris, Audrey Kelly,

We remember the anniversaries of:

Michael Maloney, Joy Gilbey, Joseph Tutill, Marie Hundy, Margaret Robinson, Lawrence Cluff, Gary Szymkarczuk, Harry Keightley, Helen Friend, Mark Kane, Richard Kinsela, Patrick Rily, Kath Fuller, Joy McGarth.

We also pray for:

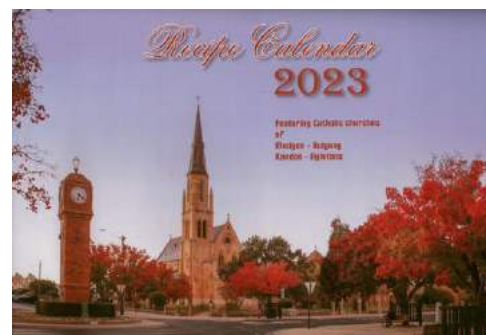
Colin Killer, Brian Kelly, Irene Longhurst, Anna Salomoni, Michael Azar, Bob Prowse, Marea Cox, Russell Lutschini.

Prayers requested for:

Ava Marakovic (Syd), Anne Mead, Vikki Treves, John Carney, Molly Jenkins, Debra O'Loughlin, Eleni Roberts, Tony Spina, Dennis Petersen, Joe Saliba, Geoffrey Munn, Gwen Ausburn, Tony Harris, John Cross, Dianne Brown, Cherylanne Adamson, Molly Jenkins, Howard Brady, Elizabeth Donnelly, Anne Mead, Rodrigo Jaboneta, Carmel Thompson and all those in our Nursing Homes.

2023 Calendars Selling Fast...

Beautifully illustrated 2023 calendars with some amazing recipes available for sale at \$15 each. We have some still available so please support our parish by purchasing one.



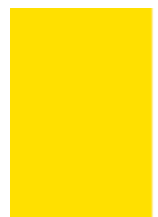
They would be a great Christmas gifts for family and friends. They can be purchased after Mass at the back of the church or from the Parish Office during the week.

DON'T MISS OUT!

MUDGE NEWS

This Sunday at 9am Mass, a Papal Award will be presented to our parishioner

Mrs Anne McLean. This award is an honour for our parish community and for Anne's long term generous commitment to our Parish. Following Mass, we will celebrate with Anne and her family with a morning tea. Please join us for this wonderful and special Parish occasion.



Reading for Next Sunday: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - YEAR C

2 Sm 5:1-3

Ps 121:1-5. R. see v.2

Col 1:12-20

Lk 23:35-43

NEWS...

Bishop Michael has announced Clergy moves for 2023.

Fr Thao is moving to Coonamble. Details on his farewell will follow.



Gospel Reflection - Greg Sunter

This week marks the final week of Ordinary Time in the Church's liturgical calendar and draws us almost to the end of our journey through the gospel of Luke. Next week's reading of the crucifixion concludes the Year of Luke. It is in this context that we need to read today's gospel passage. Jesus and his disciples are gathered around the Temple in Jerusalem in the final days before he is to be put to death. The end is imminent and Jesus takes the opportunity to reassure the disciples that, although they are about to experience a period of distress, betrayal and persecution that will stretch well into the future, ultimately, God's love and mercy will triumph – not only in their own lives but also in the world.

The language of passages like today's gospel can be off-putting at times and can also be seized upon by those who would interpret scripture literally. The graphic descriptions certainly lend themselves to predictions of gloom and doom. However, we must also remember that the gospel was written some 50 or more years after the death of Jesus. At the time of writing, many of these things had already come to pass. The message for the community who were suffering through these very experiences is that they should not despair because all of this was anticipated by Jesus and that ultimately the reign of God will come about and the effort and distress that they have endured will be vindicated.

Unfortunately, the lectionary has the passage concluding at verse 19; the complete passage continues on for another 17 verses and so we don't get the full effect of Jesus' speech. In the latter portion, Jesus assures the disciples that the kingdom will surely come to pass. It is a promise that we affirm every time we say the Creed.

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WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

“Jesus Christ... for your sakes became poor”
(cf. 2 Cor 8:9).

With these words, the Apostle Paul addresses the first Christians of Corinth in order to encourage their efforts to show solidarity with their brothers and sisters in need. The World Day of the Poor comes this year as a healthy challenge, helping us to reflect on our style of life and on the many forms of poverty all around us.

The world tells us to seek success,
power and money;
God tells us to seek
humility, service and love.

Pope Francis



You are invited to our

YOUTH MASS

Date: Sunday 20th, November 2022

Place & Time: Children & families to meet at St Matthews front gate at 8.40am

Dress: Red/green/yellow for WYD, Portugal

What to bring: A plate of food to share.

Let's celebrate World Youth Day & the end of our Sacramental Program



This year the Diocese of Bathurst is commencing a new initiative - a local celebration of World Youth Day in every parish across the Diocese on the **Feast of Christ the King**. 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.