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

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A **22ND JANUARY 2023**

First Reading: *Is* 8:23 – 9:3

In the Galilean country, the people have seen a great light.

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 26:1. 4. 13-14. R. v.1

(R): The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; Before whom shall I shrink? (R.)

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple. (R.)

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! (R.)

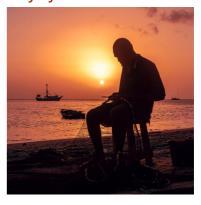
Second Reading: <u>1 Cor 1:10-13, 17</u> I appeal to you, my brothers and sisters, make up the differences between you.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!

Gospel: <u>Mt 4:12-23</u>

He went to Capernaum, that the prophecy of Isaiah be fulfilled.



JESUS, OUR LIGHT. At times we can find ourselves 'walking in darkness.' We get caught up in difficulties and cannot see a way out. Today's liturgy reminds us that Jesus is our light and our salvation. As with the first disciples, he calls us to follow him. In the Gospels we have the Good News that brings light into the dark moments of our lives.

Parish Priest

Parish Deacon Fr Owen Gibbons **Deacon Charles Applin**

Assistant Priest Fr Thao Van Nguyen **Parish Secretaries** Mrs Kristie Newman Ms Krista O'Brien

Parish Office Hours Mon 10.00am - 4.00pm Tue, Wed, Thur, Fri 9.00am - 4.00pm Closed for Lunch

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1.00pm - 2.00pm

DAY BY DAY

MONDAY 23rd January

12.00 Noon - Angelus

TUESDAY 24th January

St Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor, Memorial

9.30am Mass Mudgee

12.00 Noon - Angelus

WEDNESDAY 25th January

The Conversion of St Paul, apostle, Feast

12.00 Noon - Angelus

12.30pm RCIA meeting

5.20pm Reconciliation

5.45pm - Mass Mudgee

THURSDAY 26th January

Australia Day

9.30am - Mass Mudgee

12.00 Noon - Angelus

FRIDAY 27th January

9.00am St Matthews Staff Mass

11.30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

12.00 Noon - Angelus and Rosary

Reconciliation available on request

12.30am - Mass Mudgee

SATURDAY 28th January

St Thomas Aquinas, priest and doctor of the Church, Memorial

11.00am Baptism

12.00 Noon - Angelus

5.15pm - 5.40pm Reconciliation

6:00pm Vigil Mass Mudgee

SUNDAY 22nd January

9.00am Mass Mudgee

10.30am Gulgong - Communion Service

11.00am Kandos - Mass

12 Noon Angelus

Anointing/ Home Communion:

If you know of anyone who is in hospital or at home and would like the Anointing of the sick and Holy Communion, please ring the office. Fr Owen is available, and will happily visit them at home or in hospital.

Please note, reconciliation is available anytime on request.

BAPTISM:

We welcome to the Parish community



Thomas James Marchant

child of Simon and Jenna

Masses and prayers requested for the following.

For the recently deceased especially:

Cardinal George Pell, Michael "Tex" Gillham, James "Cricket" Corney, George Ashcroft, John Baggett, Doris O'Brien, Joan Loughrey.

We remember the anniversaries of:

Larry Doolan, Elaine Morrissey,

Anges Turczak, David Brown, Arthur Tatham, Doug Rayner, Bede Hogan, Marcia Curry, Rosemarie Thomson, Clive Pilley, Brain Kelly, Paul Stewart, Lesley Wicks, Thomas Farrell, Dawn Lloyd, Ronald McCathy, Euriol Hill, Carlo Colaiacomo, Johanna Breitkofp.

We also pray for:

John McNicol, Denis Donelly

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

Maria Knezevic, Ava Marakovic (Syd), Anne Mead, Vikki Treves, John Carney, Molly Jenkins, Debra O'Loughlin, Joe Saliba,

Eleni Roberts, Tony Spina, Dennis Petersen, Geoffrey Munn, Tony Harris, Dianne Brown, Molly Jenkins, Cherylanne Adamson, Rodrigo Jaboneta, Carmel Thompson and all those in our Nursing Homes.

Those seeking Special Intentions and for all the Holy Souls.

Pope's Universal Prayers 2023 January

FOR EDUCATORS

We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

Mudgee Roster Saturday 28th / Sunday 29th January 2023

	Saturday	Sunday	
Commentator	D. Cunningham	gham A. Myles	
First Reader	L. Nicholson M. Cassidy		
Second Reader	S. Walker	O. O'Brien	
EMofC	G. Hennessy R. Gawthorne		
Welcomer	HELP NEEDED HELP NEEDE		
Offertory	HELP NEEDED HELP NEEDED		
Counter	23rd Jan R. Croake		

Saturday 4th / Sunday 5th February 2023

	Saturday	Sunday	
Commentator	B. Petersen	A. Myles	
First Reader	A. Fergus	M. Cassidy	
Second Reader	I. Byrne	O. O'Brien	
EMofC	G. Brymora R. Gawtho		
Welcomer	HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED	
Offertory	HELP NEEDED	HELP NEEDED	
Counter	nter 30th D. Donnelly		

Gulgong Roster

Date	Commentator	Reader	Sacristan
29th Jan	D. Kelly	S. Parnell	G. Ausburn E. Donelly
6th Feb	P. Leotta	C. Gaudry	C. Holland
13th Feb	S. Parnell	C. Leotta	R. Saliba

Important Notice

As you may be aware, there will be a significant change in our Parishes next year. With Fr Thao leaving, Fr Owen will be our only Priest for the parishes of Gulgong, Kandos / Rylstone and Mudgee. This means that some of the Masses will be change. The changes are:

1st Sunday in the Month

10.30am Communion Service Gulgong 11.00am Mass Kandos

2nd Sunday in the Month

10.30am Mass Gulgong 11.00am Communion Service Kandos

3rd Sunday in the Month

10.30am Communion Service Gulgong 11.00am Mass Rylstone

4th Sunday in the Month

10.30am Mass Gulgong 11.00am Communion Service Rylstone

5th Sunday in Month

10.30am Communion Service Gulgong
11.00am Mass Kandos
The Mass times for Mudgee will remain
the same, for now.

KANDOS NEWS

We are hosting a Cuppa after mass on Sunday 29th January. Please bring a small plate of goodies to share. All welcome.

WORD OF GOD SUNDAY 5th February 2023

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February – February 5 in 2023 (Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A). Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to "the celebration, study and dissemination" of the Word of God.



REFLECTION by Diane Bergant CSA

Discipleship is not something that we take upon ourselves. We are called to it. Some people are very conscious of this call. They are aware of it in their aspirations and dreams; they recognise it in the events of their lives. They hear the call as clearly as Simon, Andrew, James and John heard the voice of Jesus. For others, the call to discipleship is not so clear. They may experience an undefined restlessness, a dissatisfaction with their lives. People can respond to the call in one of two ways. They can consider the mere suggestion of discipleship an intrusion into their plans, or they can drop what they are doing, leave their former concerns behind and follow Jesus.

There is a misunderstanding about being called and leaving everything behind. Although the gospel says that the four men left their occupation of fishing in order to follow Jesus, this kind of 'leaving behind' was not, and still is not, required of all, for it is in the ordinary events of life that our salvation unfolds. For most people, this is precisely where they are to function as disciples. Still, disciples of Jesus are called to leave behind certain ways of living as they follow him. They are called away from lives of pettiness and division. They are called away from the kind of factionalism that seems to have threatened the unity of the Corinthian community. They are called away from narrow-mindedness and mean-spirited competition. It is much easier to leave nets than to leave the web of one's prejudices.

Year 12 Prayer Partner Program

This year, the Year 12 Prayer Partner Program will start earlier to enable the Prayer



Partners to journey with the Students from the beginning of the year through to HSC exam time. This will open up opportunities to not only prayer for them but to also meet with them and get to know them over the year.

If you would like to be a part of his program, please fill in a Prayer Partner form at the back of the Church.

SACRAMENTS 2023

ST MARY'S MUDGEE IMPORTANT DATES

If you are considering the Sacraments of Confirmation or First Holy Communion for your child in 2023, we would like to extend a warm invitation to you to come along to a Parent/ Carer Information Session as part of our preparation required for the sacramental journey of your child.

SAVE THESE DATES From Year 6 onwards

School Term 1

Tuesday 21st March 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm OR Thursday 23rd March 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

From Year 3 onwards

School Term 2

Tuesday 20th June 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm OR Thursday 22nd June 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

** Please note that the journey for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will be for Year 3 students onwards

from 2023 **

Further Information will be available on the Parish website (mudgee.catholic.org.au) from Tuesday 20th December including registration to attend a Parent/Carer Information session. All enquiries to:

sacraments.mudgee@cdob.org.au