



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.



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A 9TH JULY 2023 APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA

First Reading: [Zec 9:9-10](#)

See how humbly your king comes to you!

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14. R. v.1](#)

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever. **(R.)**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **(R.)**

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. **(R.)**

The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down. **(R.)**

Second Reading: [Rom 8:9.11-13](#)

*If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body,
you will live.*

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the
kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel: [Mt 11:25-30](#)

I am gentle and humble of heart.

Reflection

by Dianne Bergant

The readings for today engage us in a reflection on the nature of the Trinity, as well as the ways that we are enriched by each of the divine Persons. The gospel acknowledges the sovereignty of God. This is followed immediately by mention of the handing over of all things to Jesus, making him a kind of vice-regent of God. Paul speaks of the Spirit, clearly a divine reality, but different from Jesus and the one called God. According to Paul, this Spirit is the Spirit of Jesus and the Spirit of God, implying that somehow both Jesus and God claim the Spirit. It is this Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead, and it is this same Spirit who dwells in Christians.

The grace of this Triune God touches our lives in some ways that are tangible and other ways that demand faith. The most tangible manifestation of God is Jesus himself. God has been revealed to us through this Jesus. While Jesus was a tangible person, our accepting of him as the manifestation of God requires faith, and this faith is no easier today than it was at the time of Jesus himself.

The overriding disposition of these readings is humility. Jesus, the human manifestation of the divine, is meek and humble, and the true disciple is called to be humble. A second disposition is placed before us – grateful praise. In the psalm we praise and bless God; we extol God's holy name. In Jesus we have known the tender touch of God, and we are grateful.



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PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

Planned Giving envelopes will be available at all Parishes this weekend.

Please collect your envelopes from the back of the church.

GULGONG ROSTER

	16 Jul	23 July
Commentator	E. Donelly	D. Kelly
Reader	M. McGregor	J. Thatcher
Sacristan	M.&E. Carney	E. Donelly G. Ausburn
Leader	J. Thatcher	

MUDGE ROSTER

Saturday 15th/ Sunday 16th July 2023

	Saturday	Sunday
Commentator	C. Furney	M. Matthews
First Reader	L. Nicholson	A. Fergus
Second Reader	L. Nicholson	O. O'Brien
EMOC	D. Cunningham	M. Dunnachie
Altar Server	Maeve K	Eleanor D
Music		
Welcomer		M. Gilbert
Offertory	K. Isbester	A. White
Counter	Mon 10th Jul	R. Croake

Saturday 22nd/ Sunday 23rd July 2023

	Saturday	Sunday
Commentator	A. Mclean	M. Mclean
First Reader	D. Cunningham	M. Dunnachie
Second Reader	D. Cunningham	E. de Vries
EMOC	G. Hennessy	A. Mort
Altar Server	Michael W	Alyra K
Music		
Welcomer	D. Delahunty	S. Walker
Offertory	D. Bennett	M. Gilbert
Counter	Mon 17th Jul	K. O'Brien

DAY BY DAY

Mon, 10/07	Week 14 of Ordinary Time
	Office opens at 10am
12 Noon	Angelus
Tues, 11/07	Week 14 of Ordinary Time St Benedict, abbot, Memorial
9.30am	Communion Service - Mudgee
12 Noon	Angelus
Wed, 12/07	Week 14 of Ordinary Time
12 Noon	Angelus
5.20pm	No Reconciliation
5.45pm	Communion Service - Mudgee
Thu, 13/07	Week 14 of Ordinary Time
9.30am	Mass - Mudgee
12 Noon	Angelus
Fri, 14/07	Week 14 of Ordinary Time
10.30am	Mass - Whiddon Nursing Home
11.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	Reconciliation available on request
12 Noon	Angelus, Rosary, short reflection
12.30pm	Mass - Mudgee
Sat, 15/07 Memorial	Week 12 of Ordinary Time St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor
11.00am	Baptism
4.15pm	Reconciliation
5.00pm	Vigil Mass - Mudgee
Sun, 16/07	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A
9.00am	Mass - Mudgee
10.30am	Communion Service - Gulgong
11.00am	Mass - Rylstone

Baptism

We welcome into our Mudgee Parish community:

William John Burns

son of John & Kayla



Masses and prayers requested for the following.

For the recently deceased especially:

Daniel Berke, Loretta Amos, Valerie Love.

We remember the anniversaries of Paul Power, Fairy McDermott, Michael Thomas, Peter Holmes, John Camilleri, Christopher Maw, Norma Lynch, Alex Lynch, Mavis Nolan, Michael Kearins, John Capare, Josephine Whittaker, Dorothea Wright, Noel Smith, Maurice Matthew, Rita Deale, Peter Stettler, John Waterhouse, Norman Leonard.

For the deceased, especially:

Kevin Hogan, Michael Quilty, McDermott Family, Robinson Family, Hundy Family, Carberry Family, Wicks Family.

Prayers requested for:

Elizabeth Donelly, Iris McBeath, Graham Hawkins, Lynne Daly, John & Nola Clark, Frances Saliba, Joe Saliba, Ruth Hyde, Tony Spina, Tony Harris, Jackie Cummins, Charles Micallef, Ian Johnson, Roland Barros, Vikki Treves, Eleni Roberts, Dennis Petersen, Dianne Brown, Rodrigo Jaboneta, Carmel Thompson and all those in our Nursing Homes.

Pope's Intentions for June...

For a Eucharistic life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.



The group meets on Sunday evenings at 5pm in the Parish Centre, Mudgee.

St Ignatius and The Rosary Retreat 21-23 JULY

The Rosary was dear to St Ignatius and his spirituality as he found it a way to God that helped him understand what it was that God wanted him to do in his world.

This retreat offers a contemporary experience of this ancient prayer tool through the heart of Ignatius.

Venue: Shalom House of Prayer, 7 Collins Street, Carcoar

Cost: \$300 (includes all meals and accommodation)

To Book: Scan QR Code or Ph: 02 6367 3058



Living the Gospel - Shoulder my yoke

Jesus invites us to shoulder his yoke and learn from him for he is gentle and humble in heart. The yoke he invites us to shoulder is the deceptively simple teaching: love God and love your neighbour. To love God is to consciously make a place in our lives for God. The busy spin that tends to be characteristic of so many people's lives today does not allow room for God; does not allow room for prayer and quiet; does not allow room for compassionate response to others. To love God and love our neighbour we must first make room for them.



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Helping Hands Needed for St Mary's Parish social/community activities

St Mary's Parish Council and Hospitality Ministry have a number of social/community activities planned for this year.

We have a small group engaged in the Hospitality Ministry, however perhaps you might prefer to commit to help with just one of the events.

Currently looking for parishioners interested in helping organise a Fun Trivia Night for September. A meeting will be held in June – Date to be set.

If you would like to help with this please contact Annette Fergus 0402 934 218

Other events are:

- Soup and Slice lunch (July, August)
- Father's Day Breakfast (Early September)
- Parish Christmas Picnic

If you would like to share your gifts and build up our parish community helping with one or more of these events, please contact Parish Office 63722122

Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Not an Outsider but an Insider

In the Jewish story of the creation of Adam, the author has God fashion a figure of a human being out of damp earth, and then breathes into the nostrils of this clay figure. It becomes 'Adam'. In Hebrew, the word for breath, wind or Spirit is the same, so this story tells us that we become human when the Holy Spirit is breathed into our very being.

St Paul tells the early converts in Rome, those recently baptised, and therefore tells us who are baptised: 'The Spirit of God has made his home in you.'

Since your baptism, the Holy Spirit, the Breath of God, dwells in you in a special way. Baptism re-creates us, sharing in the life of the true Adam.

We could pause for a moment to pray:

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle *in* them the fire of your love.

Reading for Next Sunday: FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR A
Is 55:10-11 Ps 64:10-14. R. Lk 8:8 Rom 8:18-23 Mt 13:1-23



TO BE A PILGRIM

Going on pilgrimage is a common human desire and activity. It may be found across many cultures and religions. It symbolises our search for God, with hearts that are restless until they rest in him.

Our pilgrimage to join Pope Francis at Lisbon this year takes its theme from Luke's Gospel: "Mary arose and went in haste." Carrying our Saviour in her womb, Mary went to see Elizabeth, her cousin, also unexpectedly pregnant. Whatever she expected when she set out, Mary received deep affirmation of the message of the angel, which she was still pondering in her heart.

Whatever you may expect from this pilgrimage, be ready for God to show you new things and speak to your heart. Your fellow pilgrims will be messengers of God's presence and Word for you, as you could be for them.

+Michael McKenna
Bishop of Bathurst

30th June 2023



Journey to First Eucharist

Symbols of Eucharist

Bread – Wheat is grown and ground, transformed by human work to make bread. Bread is a staple food of life.



Wine – Grapes are grown and crushed, transformed by human work to make wine. Wine symbolises joy and celebration.



Bread and wine symbolise the Creator who gives life, the one who nourishes us.

At the Last Supper Jesus gave himself in the form of bread and wine.

<https://flameoffaith.org.au/eucharist/>

Prayer

Our Father; God of family life,
Thank you for the gift of life and the many good and faithful people you give us to share our journey in faith.
Help us to grow in faith, in hope and in love.

Amen

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