

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-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR B 10TH NOVEMBER 2024

First Reading: [1 Kings 17:10-16](#)

*The widow made a little scone from her flour meal
and brought it to Elijah.*

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 145:7-10. R.v.2](#)

(R.) Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith forever
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord who sets prisoners free. **(R.)**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord who protects the stranger. **(R.)**

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. **(R.)**

Second Reading: [Hebrews 9:24-28](#)

*Christ offered himself only once to take the faults of
many on himself.*

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs.
Alleluia!

Gospel: [Mark 12:38-44](#)

*This poor widow has put more in than all who
contributed.*



REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The willingness to give all that one has is the central theme of today's readings. They offer us three models.

Jesus is the ultimate example of heroic generosity. He first offered himself as expiation for our sin. Now, as the eternal high priest, he stands before God as our mediator, pleading on our behalf, bringing salvation to those who eagerly await him.

It is interesting to note that the other two models of selfless giving are widows, individuals who are doubly disadvantaged by the patriarchal societies of which they are members. Their generosity is religiously inspired, and it comes from women who had the least material possessions to give. This kind of giving requires that we reach deep into ourselves and almost strip ourselves of our hold on life, and that we do this for religious reasons. The giving that is pictured in today's readings is nothing less than heroic generosity.

God will not be outdone in generosity. Sometimes we become the beneficiaries of obvious blessing, as was the case in the story of the woman of Zarephath who was granted a year's supply of flour and oil. At other times, we simply continue living life as usual, like the woman in the temple who was unaware of the commendation that Jesus had given her. The truly generous do not look for reward. They carry out their responsibilities and place the rest in God's hands.

REMINDER TO ALL CHILDREN'S LITURGY PARENTS AND CARERS:

Please scan the **Children's Liturgy QR code** at the front of the church or here to sign your child in for Children's Liturgy.

ALL children attending Children's Liturgy must be signed in by their parents or carers.



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| Gulgong Roster | | |
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| | 17th Nov | 24th Nov |
| Commentator | E. Donnelly | |
| Reader | C. Gaudry | |
| Sacristan | M.&E. Carney | |
| Leader | | |
| Mudgee Roster | | |
| Saturday 16th Nov/Sunday 17th Nov 2024 | | |
| Commentator | B. Petersen | M. Dunnachie |
| First Reader | M. Dorney | M. Bodycote |
| Second Reader | A. McLean | E. de Vries |
| EMOC | L. Nicholson | R. Croake |
| Altar Server | | |
| Welcomer | L. Nicholson | A. Blazeovic |
| Offertory | D. Bennett | Children's Liturgy |
| Sacristan | K. Wall | R. Gawthorne |
| Counter | 11th November | L. Nicholson |
| Saturday 23rd Nov/Sunday 24th Nov 2024 | | |
| Commentator | D. Cunningham | G. Myles |
| First Reader | A. Fergus | O. O'Brien |
| Second Reader | L. Nicholson | M. Bodycote |
| EMOC | C. Furney | M. Gilbert |
| Altar Server | | |
| Welcomer | F. Lupton | R. Perevia |
| Offertory | K. Isbester | Children's Liturgy |
| Sacristan | D. Cunningham | |
| Counter | 18th November | |
| Bells | Mon - E. Goodlet Tue - R. Gawthorne Wed - J. Cooper Thu - I. Browne | Fri - I. Browne Sat - I. Browne Sun - R. Gawthorne |

The Pope's Monthly Intentions 2024

NOVEMBER Those Who Have Lost A Child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation.



JOKE JUNCTION.....



The children were lined up in the canteen of a Catholic school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large tray of apples. A nun wrote a note and posted it on the apple tray: "Take only ONE. God is watching."

Moving along the lunch line, at the other end was a large tray of chocolate chip cookies. A girl wrote a note, which she put next to the tray of cookies, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

| DAY BY DAY | |
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| Mon, 11/11 | St Martin of Tours, bishop—Memorial |
| | Parish Office Opens 10am |
| 12 noon | Angelus |
| Tue, 12/11 | St Josaphat, bishop, martyr—Memorial |
| 9.30am | Communion Service — Mudgee |
| 12 noon | Angelus |
| Wed, 13/11 | 32nd Week in Ordinary Time |
| 12 noon | Angelus |
| 10.40am | Mass—SMCS Secondary Yr 9 |
| 5.30pm | Reconciliation |
| 5.45pm | Mass - Mudgee |
| Thu, 14/11 | 32nd Week in Ordinary Time |
| 9.30am | Mass - Mudgee |
| 12 noon | Angelus |
| Fri, 15/11 | 32nd Week in Ordinary Time |
| 10.30am | Mass—Whiddon Nursing Home |
| 11.30am | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament |
| 12noon | Rosary |
| 12.30pm | Mass - Mudgee |
| Sat, 16/11 | 32nd Week in Ordinary Time |
| 9.00am | ST. MARY'S CRAFT SALE |
| 11.00am | Baptism |
| 12 noon | Angelus |
| 2.00pm | Wedding |
| 5.30pm | Reconciliation |
| 6.00pm | Mass - Mudgee |
| Sun, 17/11 | 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME WORLD DAY OF THE POOR |
| 8.30am | Rosary - Mudgee |
| 9.00am | Mass - Mudgee |
| 10.30am | Communion Service - Gulgong |
| 11.00am | Mass - Rylstone |
| 12 noon | Angelus |
| 6.00pm | Word & Faith Group |



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BAPTISM:

We welcome to our Mudgee Parish:



Florence Sofia Edwards
Daughter of Jason & Demi

AND

August Thomas Marshall
Son of Joel & Hayley

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



For receiving the sacrament of First Holy Communion, the parish of St Mary's congratulates:

Josie McLean

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

November is a special time of prayer and remembrance for all those who have died. The Book of Remembrance will be presented in the Offertory Procession and placed on the altar each day with the names of all who have requested prayers for family and friends.

Due to the large number of requests we are not be able to print all the names in the bulletin. The names of the sick and those whose anniversaries occur at this time will continue to be printed.

MASSES AND PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR THE FOLLOWING.

For the recently deceased especially:

Mick Batson, Denis Matthews, Ken Brown,

We remember the anniversaries of:

Raymond Ellis, Harry Keightley, James Cluff, Brian McMurtrie, Gary Szymkarczuk, Marie Hundy, Margaret Robinson, Lawrence Cluff, Joseph Tutill, Michael Maloney, Joy Gibey, Helen Ryan, Helen Friend, Joy McGrath, Kath Full, Anna Swientek.

For the deceased, especially:

Bernard O'Reilly, Ken Henriques, Gregory Birchall, Mgr John Usher, John Bloxham, John Mealy, Moira Hennessy, Susan Hansen, Kathleen Austin, Margaret McGuinness.

Masses for Special Intentions, In Thanksgiving and For All the Holy Souls.

Prayers requested for the sick:

Mary Rheinberger, Fr Peter Dresser, Catrina McGhee, Donna Pilati, Kieran Micallef, Daniel Lee, Sigrid Germon, June Ritar, Ron Muscat, Tony Harris, Carla Perrotto, Joe Saliba, Paula Ryan, Carmen Archer, Trish Buckley, Horace Saliba, Tony Spina, Lynne Daly, Elizabeth Donnelly, Tracy Donnelly, Trevor Roberts (England), Iris McBeath, Kim Barry, Josephine Debaksta, Dennis Petersen, Carmel Thompson, Rodrigo Jaboneta, and all those in our Nursing Homes.

NOTICE:

WINDEYER CATHOLIC CHURCH

Due to the fact that our Windeyer Church has not been used for many years and we have had a very substantial increase in insurance cost for all our church properties, and the decision to sell the church has been made.

We encourage you contact the Parish Office if you have any objections to the sale or have any questions or comments on the sale of the church and the possible closure of the cemetery.

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Youth Reflection

by Lisa-Marie Calderone-Stewart

Be Generous and Selfless Like the Poor Widow

Centuries ago a widow was a very helpless person. In those days men controlled the family wealth and property, and women received any status they had from the men who were their husbands. Bad luck was a sign of sinfulness, so when a woman was widowed, she had no one to take care of her, and society looked down on her. Yet in both the first reading and the Gospel, we are asked to imitate the faithful actions of a widow.

Jesus often asks us to look at the outcasts of society in order to imitate their ways. What are some characteristics of today's social outcasts that we need to imitate? How would imitating them make the world a better place?

Jesus often asks us to see through the hypocrisy of the wealthy. They appear proud and important, but many of their personal habits are not what we want to imitate. What are some characteristics of today's rich and famous that we wouldn't want to imitate? What kind of lifestyles do some well known athletes, rock stars and actors lead? What would Jesus say about these people?

On most teenagers' bedroom walls and locker doors, you will find posters of whom? What characteristics of these people are admired by teenagers? Why? What would Jesus say about the choices made by most teenagers? What do you say about them? How are you prepared to respond to this situation?

Do you ever contribute money or time to a cause you believe in? If not, why not? If so, what do you do? How has it affected your life? How has it made the world a better place for anyone?

Some people think, 'I'm only one person so I can't really help.' What response could you give to that excuse? What would Jesus say about that?

Spot the difference Can you spot the seven differences between these two pictures?



GULGONG NEWS

READERS & SACRISTANS -

We are looking for people to come forward and assist as Sacristans, to help prepare the church for Mass or Readers at Mass. Please consider helping with these ministries. Just give your name to Marilyn Carney or Carolyn Holland. Training will be provided.

KANDOS NEWS

Father Peter Dresser is unwell, please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Christmas..lunch..will..be..on..Sunday..1st..December. Lunch will follow our 11am Mass 11am, starting at 12 pm. Cost \$ 8.00 per person. Names and payment by November 24th. This needed for catering purposes. If you can help with the Lunch, please speak to Carol.

MUDGEES NEWS

MUDGEES SRE (SCHOOL SCRIPTURE) NEWS

Andrew Parkinson will be conducting Christmas SRE assemblies this year in our 2 local public schools. Andrew has worked in Mudgees with children/youth on previous occasions.

The Mudgees Christian Bookshop will be collecting donations towards Andrew's assemblies until Monday 25th November. Call at the Mudgees Christian Bookshop or contact Ruth Wilson, 0428 723 893 for more information.

Also please contact Ruth if you are interested in training to become an SRE teacher. Some of our current teachers cannot continue next year so we are looking for new teachers. We would also appreciate your prayers for this important ministry.



A DAY OF FORMATION FOR EVANGELISATION AND MISSION
SATURDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 10AM—3PM
KENNA HALL, ORANGE

Formation

Representatives from ALPHA Australia and Divine Renovation will travel to our Diocese to encourage and support parishes out west. There will be input workshops, and discussion on evangelisation and how to run ALPHA for long-term transformation. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in this event or register at

https://divinerenovation.tfaforms.net/4940500?tfa_5297

ONLINE LECTIO DIVINA FOR READERS

THURSDAYS 6PM

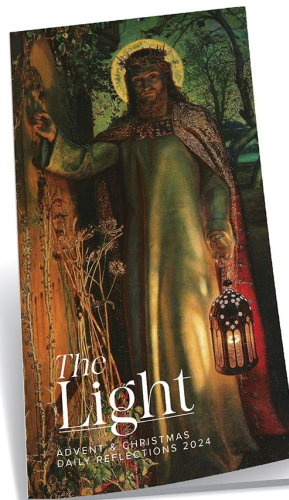
All parishioners and especially those scheduled to read at Sunday Mass are invited to join our weekly **Online Lectio Divina** sessions, on **Thursdays at 6:00 PM**.

These sessions offer a wonderful opportunity to pray and reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings with guidance from our clergy. Each session will include time for scripture reading, personal reflection, and sharing, followed by insights from our Bishop, Priests, or Deacons.

Join us via Zoom every Thursday.

To register and receive the Zoom link visit bathurst.catholic.org.au or contact Carmen on 63346400

Advent Program 2024



Embark on a spiritual journey of illumination this Advent and Christmas with **The Light: Advent and Christmas Daily Reflections 2024**. A comprehensive 88-page book of daily reflections designed to deepen your spiritual journey from the beginning of Advent (1 December 2024) through to the Baptism of the Lord (12 January 2025). This book offers profound

insights and contemplative thoughts that invite you to explore the depths of your faith and anticipate the joy of God's presence in the world.

The book will be on sale from next weekend at your church or it is available in the Parish Office. Cost \$5.00 per book.



ST. MARY'S FRIENDSHIP & CRAFT GROUP SALE

Saturday 16th November 2024

9am to 1.30pm

St Mary's Parish Centre

A Raffle and Devonshire tea

Craft sale, Christmas gift ideas, plants and homemade goodies.



Reading for next Sunday: **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Daniel 12:1-3

Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Mark 13:24-32