

May They Rest In Peace: (recently deceased):
Lesley McIntosh, Beverley Seaman, Valda Druett,
Kevin O'Brien, John McDonald, Garry Easterby, Noel
Calizo.

Anniversaries: Tony Shepherd (13/12/2013).

Prayer List: Leigh Seaman, Fay Anderson, Donna
Cronk (nee Campbell), Bill Rogerson

Masses: Beverley Seaman, Valda Druett.

| ROSTERS | 9.00am |
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| Acolytes | |
| 10 December | Bryan |
| 17 December | Garry |
| Readers | |
| 10 December | Mona McIntosh |
| 17 December | Therese Skelly |
| Offertory | |
| 10 December | Pat O'Keefe |
| 17 December | Gwenda Romer & family |
| Altar Servers | |
| 10 December | Amelia Croker |
| 17 December | James Croker |
| Cleaners: | |
| 10 December | Group 7 – Olga Anderson, Shirley Evans, Leona Evans |
| 17 December | Group 8 – Elaine Plumb, Mona McIntosh, Geraldine Johnson. |
| Counters | |
| 10 December | Group 6 – Allan & Thora Hogan, Frances & Dick Cromack. |
| 17 December | Group 7 – Norma Jamieson, Cheryl Anderson, Pat O'Keefe. |

**If you are unable to attend on date you are
rostered on, please arrange a replacement.**

Christmas/ New Year bulletins will be prepared in
advance. Please send in any notices, Mass intentions
etc for inclusion.

Mission Information:

CROOKWELL - SUNDAY AT 9.00AM.
BINDA - 10.30 am Sunday (1,2,3 Sun. month)
TUENA - 11.30am 5th Sun. of the month.

COMMUNION SERVICE TUES. & FRI 9.30am

WEEKDAY LITURGY- Tuesday & Friday 9.30am.

BAPTISMS: 4 Sunday of the month,
10.30am St Mary's Church

***Bookings are made through the St Mary's
parish office.***

WEDDINGS: all weddings must be booked
through the Mission office for all churches.

Clergy: Fr D McDermott -Parish Administrator
Fr V Assin, Ass. Priest

Pastoral Associate Sr Rosemary Hart

Parish Office hours: Tues. & Thurs 9.00-2.00

Secretary: Mrs Estelle Roberts

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Parish website – <http://www.cg.org.au/Crookwell>

Goulburn Mass Times

Saturday 6pm (5pm June-Aug) – Cathedral
Sunday 7am – Our Lady of Fatima
10am – Cathedral

Mission Office: Sharon Cashman
36 Verner St, PO Box 11 Goulburn NSW 2580
Phone: 0248 211022 **Fax** 4822 5398

e-mail: goulburn@cg.org.au

Website: <http://www.goulburnparish.org.au>

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve Vigil – 6PM Taralga, Crookwell, &
St Peter & Paul Goulburn.

8PM Goulburn SPP
Christmas Day – 9AM Goulburn Our Lady
Of Fatima & Crookwell
10.30AM Binda

New Years Day – 9AM Goulburn SPP

Parish Reconciliation Times:

Tuesday.7pm 19th Dec.(Glb SPP)
Wednesday. 7pm 20th Dec. (Taralga)
Thursday. 7pm 21st Dec. (Crookwell)



**THE GOULBURN
MISSION**
[Mission Established 2012]

**St Mary's Parish
Crookwell**

[Parish Established 1882]

2nd Sunday of Advent - Yr B

–10th December 2017

John The Baptist Candle (2)

Lord Jesus, your coming was proclaimed by
the prophet Isaiah who described you as a
'shepherd feeding his flock, gathering the
lambs in his arms'



*R. Come Lord Jesus
Come Lord Jesus
Come Lord Jesus
Come, and be born in our Hearts.*

Lord Jesus, you will come again. St Peter reminds us
to live holy and saintly lives while we wait and long for
the Day of God to come.

R. Come Lord Jesus

Lord Jesus, you call us to baptism in the Holy Spirit.

R. Come Lord Jesus

Responsorial Psalm:

(R.) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your
salvation.

Left I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace,
peace for his people.
His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land.

Right Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven.

Left The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.
Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

Today's Readings: 1/ Is 40:1-5, 9-11.

2/ 2 Pt 3:8-14. **Gospel:** Mk 1: 1-8.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

Vocation Prayer

Good Shepherd God

Help our people to know their vocation in life; be with them as they prepare for it.

Help us to recognise the presence of your wisdom in the men and women of our Parish.

Some you will call to be priests and deacons others to be consecrated in religious life.

Help them to overcome fear, unblock ears and still the noises that drown out your call.

Give them the Grace

To respond generously and labour faithfully

In caring for this world and all its people

Give us all the time and energy to assist in the work of the Goulburn Mission.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

Prayer of Commissioning:

May these holy gifts which you share with our absent friends give them the peace that only the Lord can give and strengthen their faith in God's mercy.

Mission Updates

- **PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES:** As we are a Mission and parishioners are attending Masses at Crookwell, Taralga & Goulburn- if you place your planned giving envelope in the collection bag, it will be passed onto the correct parish church to be banked and recorded. Thank you for your support

Fr Assin is in India recovering from knee surgery and is due to return on 15th December. A collection will be taken up on 10th December for a farewell gift for Fr Assin.

Fr Dermid is on his own with only weekend Supply to help.

There may be changes to Masses, liturgies, within the parish/ schools- please read bulletin carefully until late December for updates.

SACRAMENTAL UPDATE:

Confirmation:

program commences weekend of 10/11 February. First lesson is on Thursday 15th February in Crookwell.

REMINDER – all Sacramental programs are Parish based (not school based). All enrolment forms and payment **must** be returned to the Parish Office (not to the school).

St Mary's Social Group

Meet at Viewhaven on Wednesday 13th December 2017 at 10.15am for visits and gift giving to residents. Lunch will follow at Chataway Coffee Shop at 12 noon. RSVP to Sue Reedy 0408 488 434.

St Vincent de Paul

Columban Calendars are available at the Church Piety Stall and the shop @ \$9.00 each. Christmas cards are available from the shop.

Nativity Trail

A Nativity Trail will be held on Sunday 10th December between 5 – 7pm. The procession will commence at St Mary's Church with some 'Wise Men' who will process to St Bart's where some shepherds & maybe sheep will join in, then head to the Uniting Church to meet the Holy Family. Everyone is most welcome to join the procession and you may choose to either walk or drive, whichever suits you. Please go along and support this great communal activity.

Advent Clean-up of Church

It would be appreciated if you could spare a little time to help with extra cleaning at the Church for Advent.

A list of jobs is at the rear of the Church. Can you **please** put your name next to the job you are willing to help out with.

These jobs can be done at times to suit yourself.

Sr Rosemary up-date

Sister had her operation on Tuesday afternoon. The operation went very well and she was discharged from hospital on Wednesday. Now in recovery mode!

Reflection - 2nd Sunday of Advent



Mark's Gospel was the first to be written down, around the year 70AD. It is generally accepted that Mark wrote for an audience in Rome who were undergoing persecution for their faith. It is the shortest of the four gospels and is told in a lively and straightforward style. Mark seeks to explore the identity of Jesus, to describe the responses of various people to him and to invite us to become disciples. In this opening verse of his gospel, Mark alerts his readers instantly to the identity of the main character. This work is the Good News about Jesus Christ who is Son of God.

John the Baptist is a prominent figure in Mark's Gospel. In Luke's Gospel he is portrayed as a cousin of Jesus, however in the other gospels he seems not to know the identity of Jesus and no family connection is mentioned.

- John's clothing of homespun camel hair tied with a leather thong around the waist is the explicit garb of a prophet.
- God had called the people of Israel out of Egypt and led them across the River Jordan to be a new people. God, through John, is now calling for a new people by passing them through the waters of baptism in the same river.

Advent is also a time of new beginnings and John the Baptist's 'voice in the wilderness' is a personal invitation to each of us to prepare a way for the Lord into our lives now. What special preparation for Christmas will you undertake this year? How may this be different from what you have done in the past?

(The Summit)