

May They Rest In Peace: (recently deceased):

Joan Pyne, Jack Druett, Nona Druett, Michael George, Doris Gorman.

Anniversaries: John Hewitt, Ken Cummins, Margaret and Guilfor Jones,

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

Masses for Holy Souls: George & Babe Cummins, Joan & Greg Cummins, George (Jnr) Cummins, Nora & Martin O'Keefe, Betty Speight, John O'Keefe, Ray O'Keefe, White family, Spackman family, relatives of Taylor family.

ROSTERS	9.00am
Acolytes	
12 November	Bryan
19 November	Garry
Readers	
12 November	Sue Reedy
19 November	Rebecca Picker
Offertory	
12 November	Dorothy Kennedy
19 November	Lillian Marshall
Altar Servers	
12 November	Tiarna & Taleisha Bill
19 November	Jeffrey Fraser
Cleaners:	
12 November	Group 3 –Therese McDonald, Anne Cleary, Sarah Lowe
19 November	Group 4 – Dorothy Kennedy, Bryan Kennedy, Marie Cosgrove, Margaret Fahey, Debbie Marinovic, Pam Chudeleigh and Karen O'Keefe, Rita Clements.
Counters	
12 November	Group 2 – Ray Cummins, Vivian Storrier, Barbara Steain
19 November	Group 3 – John Percival, Peter Kennedy

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

Mission update:

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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Goulburn Mass Times

Saturday 6pm (5pm June-Aug) – Cathedral

Sunday 7am – Our Lady of Fatima

10am – Cathedral

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MASS OFFERINGS

PLEASE drop off your special requests for a Mass for a loved one to the Crookwell Parish Office. If the office is unattended, you may slip the envelope through the letter slot beside the front door.



THE GOULBURN MISSION
[Mission Established 2012]

St Mary's Parish Crookwell

[Parish Established 1882]

32nd Sunday Ordinary Time

Yr A–12 November 2017

Entrance Antiphon: Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 62:2-8. R. v.2
(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Right O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water.

Left So I gaze on you in the sanctuary.
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise.

Right So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy.

Left On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. (R.)

Today's Readings: 1/ Wis 6: 12-16. 2/ 1 Thes 4: 13-18. **Gospel:** Mt 25: 1-13.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

Prayer of Commissioning:

May the word of God and this holy sacrament, which you take to our absent sisters and brothers, help them to be ready to meet the Lord every day of their lives.

VOCATIONS PRAYER:

Gracious and loving God

We come before you humbly asking for your blessing. Through Jesus, you invited us to ask for workers in your vineyard.

Look with favour on our parishes,
And bless us with men and women who respond generously to your call

To priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

Bless us with generosity to encourage and support these people.

Help us all to be good and faithful witnesses to your love,

And especially bless those called to leadership in our Church.

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

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

SACRAMENTAL UPDATE:

Congratulations to the children who have just completed their First Reconciliation.

Confirmation: Thursday 30th November Parent & child information session. 7pm St Mary's Church.
Friday. 1st December. Reflection Day all candidates to attend at Trinity Catholic College.

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).

Operation Christmas Child THANK YOU

ON BEHALF OF Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child I wish to sincerely thank everyone involved in this year's project.

A total of 448 boxes were sent from our local area. To those who completed boxes, donated items, provided money for postage – your generosity is greatly appreciated.
Sue Reedy (Coordinator)

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

Please note:

Any printed material left in the church without my specific permission is removed.
Fr Dermid

Urgently Needed

A training session will be held for anyone who is able to assist with the distribution of Communion, after Mass on Sunday 26th November.

Please contact the Office on 4832 1633 or Sr Rosemary on 0402 545 172 if you are able to offer your assistance.

More Helpers Sought

- If you can help with the Flowers at the Church, please let the Parish Office know ASAP.
- Can you spare a little time to help with the cleaning of the brass in the Church (only about every two months). Let the Office know if you are able to help out.

These jobs can be done at times to suit yourself.

Reflection - 32nd Sunday

As the public ministry of Jesus draws to a close, Matthew introduces the themes of delay and the need to be ready for the second coming of Christ. Matthew's community were living in the 'in-between' times. Christ's victory over death through his resurrection had begun a new phase in history but it was not yet complete. Completion would only come with his return in glory. We again hear the familiar imagery of the messianic banquet or wedding feast to which all are invited. But only those who live with an attitude of openness and readiness will come into the great hall. This parable speaks strongly of the need to live in the present with an eye to the future. We cannot live only for the 'now' with no thought for our ultimate goal, nor can we ignore the sufferings and responsibilities of the present and set our hearts only on heaven.

A solemn procession from the house of the bride's father to the house of the bridegroom was an important part of the Jewish wedding ceremony. These bridesmaids are a 'guard of honour' to greet the groom on his return with his bride. Sometimes problems with the marriage contract or the unhurried exchange of gifts between families lead to long delays in their return.

Jesus referred to himself as a bridegroom (Mk 2:19–20) and the Church is sometimes referred to as the bride of Christ.

The lamp oil represents those resources we have to meet the challenge of being ready: our actions, our faith, our service to others, our prayer, how much we have loved. It is not that the sensible virgins are being selfish; it is simply that this kind of oil, the way we live our lives, cannot be exchanged. We have to rely on our own resources to be ready.



(The Summit)