

May They Rest In Peace: (recently deceased): Don Elvins, Merv Stephenson, Margaret Croke, Gillian Fahey, Brian Cummins, Max Corby, Eileen Barrett.

Anniversaries: Mr & Mrs Anthony & Suzanne Bott, Os Cummins, Keith Stephenson, Tom & Sadie Cummins, Pat Hart, Pat Collins.

Prayer List: Fay Anderson, Donna Cronk (nee Campbell), Bill & Jill Rogerson, Mary De Rome.

Masses: Geoff O'Brien, Deceased members of O'Brien & McIntosh families.

ROSTERS	9.00am
Acolytes	
17 September	Bryan
24 September	Garry
Readers	
17 September	Volunteer
24 September	Mona McIntosh
Offertory	
17 September	Gwenda Romer family
24 September	Therese McDonald
Altar Servers	
17 September	Tiarna & Taleisha Bill
24 September	Jeffrey Fraser
Cleaners:	
17 September	Group 3 –Therese McDonald, Anne Cleary, Sarah Lowe
24 September	Group 4 – Dorothy Kennedy, Bryan Kennedy, Marie Cosgrove, Margaret Fahey, Debbie Marinovic, Pam Chudleigh and Karen O'Keefe, Rita Clements.
Counters:	Group 1 – Austin & Shirley Cummins, Shirley Kemp.

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

Mission update:

WEEKEND MASS –

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 MASS Friday 22 September 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
 Deacon Josh Scott
Pastoral Associate Sr Rosemary Hart

Parish Office hours: Tues. & Thurs 9.00-2.00

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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, located in the front part of the old convent. 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]

24 Sunday Ordinary Time Yr A–17 September 2017

Entrance Antiphon: Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 102:1-4. 9-12. R. v.8 (R.) The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.

Right My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings.

Left It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion.

Right His wrath will come to an end; he will not be angry for ever. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults.

Left For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. (R.)

Today's Readings: 1/ Sir 27: 30-28:7
 2 / Rom. 14: 7-9 **Gospel:** Mt 18: 21-35

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
 I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The chalice of blessing that we bless is a communion in the Blood of Christ; and the bread that we break is a sharing in the Body of the Lord.

Prayer of Commissioning:
 The Lord says: "Love one another, as I have loved you"; may we show that love in our lives. And may almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

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.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child is a program of gift giving to help children in need who live in impoverished countries. Some gift suggestions include – *something to wear, something to love, something special, something for school, something to play with, something for personal hygiene*. Alternatively, donations may be made to assist with the postage of the filled boxes. Each box costs \$10 to post. October is the national collection month, it would be appreciated if all donations finalised by **the end of September**. Boxes for collection and drop off are via Duncombe & Co and Crookwell Gazette office.



MISSION NEWS:

- **Fr Laurie has retired from all parish work.**
The Parish would like to wish him well and say thank you for all his service to our Parish. You are invited to Fireside Inn, Oct 1st 12noon for lunch. \$40 per head. (2 course meal, roll, tea/coffee). Bookings and payment to Sharon at the Goulburn office, or phone for inquiries.
- **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 the Goulburn office email address is now goulburn@cg.org.au.

- Deacon Joshua Scott- Ordination 13th October 2017 at 6pm at St Christopher's Cathedral Manuka. The Goulburn office has booked a mini bus- limited seats to travel to Mass at a cost of \$10 per person.
- Retiring Collections coming up:
24 September for Fr Laurie- gift to say 'thank you'
1 October for Deacon Joshua - Ordination gift from the Parish.
8 October - Ozanam Appeal. St Vincent de Paul

Father's Day Appeal - Collection for retired

priests: This is being conducted across the Archdiocese. There are presently 24 priests who are supported by the Clergy Retirement Foundation so it is vital that this Appeal is supported to assist with their accommodation and care needs. All donations are tax deductible and receipts will be issued to donors using the Appeal envelopes. Please be generous. Envelopes are in the church, FINAL WEEK.

Readers and Offertory Presenters

If you are willing to offer to be a Reader or present the gifts at Offertory at Sunday Mass, please leave a message at the Parish Office. Your willingness to offer your services for either or both of these very important roles during Mass would be much appreciated.

We need to draw up a new roster for each of these jobs, to ensure that everyone who can help knows when they are rostered on.

Please let me know by the end of September.

Thank you for your help,
Estelle Roberts (Parish Secretary)

Reflection –Week 24

Jesus' teaching about the need to settle conflict, the basis of last week's gospel, was a surprising summons for Christians to fly in the face of accepted standards of judgement and condemnation. Here the teaching becomes even more outrageous! There is no end to the forgiveness offered. For the average person, represented by Peter, forgiving another person seven times would show a very substantial commitment to mercy. Seven is used in the Bible to signify perfection so Peter is not being mean in his suggestion. This is a very reasonable degree of tolerance. Yet Jesus, in his parable of the servant who is forgiven a debt equivalent to millions but cannot forgive his fellow a lesser sum, turns our human understanding of what constitutes a fair thing on its head. God's forgiveness is prodigious but it is dependent on our willingness to forgive each other in the same way. The inability or unwillingness of the servant to match the master's forgiveness is a powerful contrast. The master forgives in compassion but the servant resorts to violence. If one has truly experienced the loving forgiveness of God, it must be shared with others. Look together at the Penitential Rite of the Mass. It helps us get 'right' with God before we begin the Liturgy.



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