<u>May They Rest In Peace:</u> (recently deceased): John Bowring, Trevor Writer, Les James, Maureen Heenan.

Anniversaries: Delia Hanrahan (11/6), Sam Cummins, Ray & Elaine Jones.

<u>Prayer List:</u> Kate McCormack, Russell Lynam, Drago Bortiek, Steve Martin.

ROSTERS	9.00am	
Acolytes		
24 June	Bryan	
1 July	·	
-	Garry	
Readers		
24 June	Thora Hogan, Rechell Naughton	
1 July	Christine Seaman & Sue Reedy	
Offertory		
24 June	Elaine White	
1 July	Therese McDonald	
Altar Servers		
24 June	James Croker & Amelia Croker	
1 July	Volunteers needed	
Cleaners:		
24 June	Group 3 –Therese McDonald, Anne Cleary, Sarah Lowe	
1 July	Group 4 – Dorothy Kennedy, Bryan Kennedy, Marie Cosgrove, Margaret Fahey, Debbie Marinovic, Pam Chudleigh and Karen O'Keefe, Rita Clements.	
Counters		
24 June	Tom & Perry McCormack, Alma Corkhill	
1 July	Norma Jamieson, Cheryl Anderson, Pat O'Keefe.	

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

Goulburn Mission Information

Mass times

CROOKWELL - SUNDAY AT 9.00AM.

TARALGA – SATURDAY 5pm (6pm Sept-May)

BINDA - 10.30 am Sunday (1, 2, 3 Sun. month)

TUENA - 11.30am 5th Sun, of the month.

<u>WEEKDAY LITURGY</u>- Thursday 9.30am. **NO TUESDAY LITURGY IN WINTER**

BAPTISMS: 4 Sunday of the month, 10.30am St Mary's Church Bookings are made through the St Mary's parish office. Form and information letter are also available on our website.

<u>**WEDDINGS**</u>: all weddings must be booked through the Mission office for all churches.

Clergy: Fr D McDermott -Parish Administrator

Fr Lolesio Gisa, Ass. Priest

Pastoral Associate Sr Rosemary Hart

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Goulburn Mass Times

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

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THE GOULBURN MISSION [Mission Established 2012]

St Mary's Parish Crookwell

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12th Sunday Ordinary Time Yr B – Birth of John the Baptist - 24 June 2018

Introduction:

Today we celebrate a birthday, that of John the Baptist. The gift he gives us is to reveal how we can come closer to Christ

Entrance Antiphon:

A man was sent from God, whose name was John. He came to testify to the light, to prepare a people fit for the Lord.

Responsorial Ps 138:1-3. 13-15. R. v.14 (R.) I praise you for I am wonderfully made.

Left O Lord, you search me and you know me, you know my resting and my rising, you discern my purpose from afar.
You mark when I walk or lie down, all my ways lie open to you.

Right For it was you who created my being, knit me together in my mother's womb. I thank you for the wonder of my being, for the wonders of all your creation.

Left Already you knew my soul, my body held no secret from you when I was being fashioned in secret and moulded in the depths of the earth.

(R.) I praise you for I am wonderfully made.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! You, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways. Alleluia!

Readings: 1/ Is 49:1-6; 2/ Acts 13:22 - 26; Gospel: Lk 1:57-66, 80.

Communion Antiphon:

Through the tender mercy of our God, the Dawn from on high will visit us.

Vocation Praver:

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.

We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, our priest, prophet and king. Amen

Prayer of Commissioning:

Take this holy Eucharist, which unites our community in Christ, to those who are sick so that they too may share in this communion and experience Christ's healing love.

Mission Updates

- Takings 17 June First Collection \$297.30
- Second Collection \$548.55.
- Planned Giving contribution Direct Payment details as follows -Bank details - BSB 062 786 A/c 000014901 St Mary's Crookwell Parish. Use your Surname & envelope No. to identify your contribution.

The Joy of the Gospel

This Archdiocesan program of Leadership and Mission will be held on 29-30th June, 2018 at Haydon Hall Manuka ACT. Especially for members of PPC & PFC, School Council & Board members, teachers and anyone interested in future leadership.

Parish can pay for 10 participants.

DATE	TIME	PLACE
Fri.29 June	5-9pm	Haydon Hall
Sat 30 June	10-5pm	Manuka
Fri 26 Oct	5-9pm	Hayden Hall

More details at parish office.

PLEASE PLEASE!!! Some takers, well worthwhile Rego closes 15 June.

Fr Dermid

Viewhaven Pravers

Prayers will be held at Viewhaven Lodge on Tuesday 26th June at 10.30am. All welcome.



Reflection: Nativity of St John the Baptist

The Birth of John the Baptist is one of the Solemnities of the Church year. This feast is always celebrated on June 24, which this year happens to fall on a Sunday and therefore takes precedence over the Sunday of ordinary time. It is one of the

oldest Christian festivals being listed by the Council of Agde in 506. In Eastern Orthodox and Eastern Christian Churches, the Baptist is often known as St John the Forerunner. This is recognition of the important role the Baptist played.

John the Baptist is an important figure in all four of the gospels.

There is an echo here of the promise made to Abraham and Sarah. This is to be no ordinary child. Even from his mother's womb, he will be filled with the Holy Spirit and his task is quite explicit. In his ministry he will reawaken in people a love for their God. Like the great prophet Elijah, he will 'turn the hearts' of the people, refocusing them on what truly matters. In doing this, John is preparing a people who is worthy of the one who is to come. John stands firmly in the prophetic tradition of Israel. He comes out of the desert proclaiming the advent of the kingdom of God and issuing a call to repentance (Lk 3:2-3). He baptises those who repent of their sins and announces the coming of one who would be greater than he and who would baptise with the Spirit. Some believed that John himself was the awaited Messiah (Lk 3:15) but John is unequivocal: he is simply preparing the way for the one who is to come.

Did you know?

Both Zechariah and Elizabeth come from the priestly families of Israel. All male descendants of the priestly families had duties to attend to in the Temple in Jerusalem. This is not a full-time job. Since there were so many 'priests' a roster system meant that each man only served a brief period in undertaking their priestly duties.

The Temple in Jerusalem had several outer courts: the vast exterior Court of the Gentiles, where all people could go; the Court of the Women, where only Jews could enter and women go no further; the inner Court of Israel where male Jews could enter and where the priests offered sacrifices. At the rear of the Court of Israel stood a massive structure the sanctuary. This consisted of two chambers.

The outer chamber was where the incense altar was housed. The inner chamber – the Holy of Holies – was empty. This was where the Ark of the Covenant had stood before it was looted and taken to Babylon in the 6th century BC. The High Priest entered the Holy of Holies once a year on the Day of Atonement.

(The Summit)