

## MASS TIMES

**SUNDAY:** 9.00am

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** 4th Sunday during School term

**WEDNESDAY:** NO Mass at 10.00am

**Note:** A Funeral Mass takes priority over Wednesday mass

**RECONCILIATION:** 8.30am till 8.45am every Sunday

**BAPTISMS:** Telephone or email office in Young

**WEDDINGS:** At least 6 months' notice -  
Telephone or email office in Young

## WEEKEND MASS TIMES AT ST. MARY'S, YOUNG

**SAT/SUN:** 6.00pm (SAT) 9.00am (SUN)

## ROSTERS FOR THIS WEEK: SUN. 1 MAR. 2020

**ACOLYTE:** Nev Stokes or John King

**MUSIC:** Peter Butcher

**READERS:** Terry Carroll and Rachael Power

**SPECIAL MINISTERS:** Liz Carroll and Marj Cross

**COUNTERS:** Terry Carroll and Julie Finn

## ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK: SUN. 8 MAR. 2020

**ACOLYTE:** Nev Stokes or John King

**MUSIC:** Liz Carroll

**READERS:** Mary Moffitt and Jenny Bell

**SPECIAL MINISTERS:** Mary Moffitt

**COUNTERS:** Peter Butcher and Phillipa Baker

**CLEANING:** Liz Carroll, Jeanne Montgomery,  
Chris Lynch

## MEMORIAL BOOK

To have names placed in the book, please fill in the names of the deceased members of our parish and our relatives in the folder at the church rear.

Please fill in the sheet by PRINTING their name and date of death.

These will be placed in a memorial book which can be added to each year.

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Gen 12: 1-4;  
2 Tim 1: 8-10; Matthew 17: 1-9



# St. Joseph's Parish, Grenfell

1st Sunday of Lent - 1 March 2020

**Parish Pastor:** Fr James Onoja / Associate Pastor: Fr Praveen Paul  
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Dear Friends in Christ

The parish welcomes you warmly to 2020. We started the year on a sad note. The bushfires orchestrated by intense drought and heat was such a bizarre experience for all of us. However, the generosity of the parish in cushioning the intensity of the disaster on some of our brothers and sisters in the Deanery is magnanimous. I want to thank each and every one of you for such a prompt response, given the limited notice of preparation.

To continue our united front as Parishes and a Mission, the Lord has opened the tributary of Lent to us this year. It is my hope, individually and collectively, we shall seize the opportunity to seek the face of God in an arduous moment in our country and in our State. For this, we are wasting no time in announcing the Lenten program for our Parish and Mission.

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The tradition of praying the Stations of the Cross is close to the heart of the Church as a means of meditating and contemplating the mysteries of the passion of Christ. I encourage parishioners to please attend this function. The times for this program are 12:00 noon and 6:00pm in the parish every Friday of the Lenten Season. This also holds for Boorowa and Grenfell.

## DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION

After the Easter celebration, the parish will for the first time, celebrate the Divine Mercy Sunday. The time and program shall be communicated in due course. However, the venue for this year will be in Young. We intend to take it in turns in our Mission churches each year.

## SACRAMENTS AND APOSTOLIC NUNCIO'S VISIT

On a note of thanksgiving, the parish will celebrate different sacraments for our boys and girls. The highlight will be the Visit of the Papal Nuncio to our parish on Pentecost Sunday. He will celebrate the Holy Mass in and for our Parish in Young. During this, he will confer the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion on our sons and daughters.

Finally, as the year progresses, we shall let you into the program for the second phase of the year 2020.

Thanks.

Rev James Onoja, Your Servant in Christ.

## EASTER RETREAT

We shall be capping our Easter preparation with a Retreat on Saturday, 28th March in Young. It will be a time to get together for Young, Grenfell and Boorowa in the Mission. Please register your interest with your name and contact number on the sheet at the back of the church by Friday, 20th March.

PLEASE EMAIL ANY MESSAGES FOR THE BULLETIN TO ST MARY'S PARISH OFFICE NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, AS THIS IS THE CLOSE OFF TIME FOR ALL ENTRIES. THANKS

## GRENFELL FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

(24th February 2020 - 8th March 2020)

Please contact Liz Carroll on (0427) 431-544 or Di Franks on (0418) 619-740 if you or your family require assistance with funeral preparation arrangements.

## ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STREET STALL

Our next Street Stall will be held on Friday, 20th and Saturday, 21st March.

Donations of cooking, jams, pickles, plants, books or any good quality, saleable goods are most welcome.

Volunteers to assist on either day. For all enquiries, please contact Deidre Carroll on 6343-1574 or (0403) 480-729.



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

All volunteers working with our children (i.e. Acolyte/Senior Server/Children's Liturgy or Catechists) must have a valid Working with Children Check (WWCC). If your WWCC has expired, or you haven't had one, please address this as a priority. If you do have a current WWCC, please ensure Cath at the Parish office has your WWCC numbers asap. Your date of birth will also be required.

(Just google Working with Children Check NSW).

**IN ADDITION** - All Parish volunteers, regardless of whether they work with children, are to read the Archdiocesan Child Protection Code of Conduct, then sign and return the acknowledgment form.

This should be done as soon as possible.

More information is available from the following link:

<http://cgcatholic.org.au/professional-standards/child-protection-code-of-conduct/>

(Alternatively, if you don't have access to a computer, you can read the Code of Conduct form located on the table at the back of the church and then sign the Acknowledgement form & return it in the Grenfell box when it comes back to Young.)

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Larry McDonald (Husband of Helen, Father of David & Megan and Father-in-Law of Cath & Aaron), Michael Johnston (Husband of Judy)

## PRAY FOR OUR TOWN

On Sunday, 8th March the Family Church (AOG) will be holding a "Pray for our Town" service at 2-00pm. All other churches are invited to attend and participate. St Joseph's Church has been asked to pray for "police, ambulance and SES personnel" as well as "youth groups and young people". It would be wonderful if at least 2 people could attend and prepare a suitable prayer for each of our chosen groups. Please contact Mary Moffitt by Wednesday, 4th March on (6343-1575 or 0419 440 692) if you are able to participate so that a program can be prepared.

## COUNTING ROSTER

Please note that the counting of the collections at St Joseph's Parish takes place after mass each week. Please see name shown each week for the roster.

## LAUDATO SI' PILGRIMAGE & PRAXIS 2020

An Australian ecumenical response to Laudato Si' envisages an ecologically flourishing country that reflects ecological values and healthy relationships that support the dignity and integrity of all creation. To be held from Friday, 13th March to Sunday, 15th March at St Clement's Retreat & Conference Centre, Galong. For all enquiries and to register, please contact Sue Rolfe at St Clement's Galong by telephoning 6380-5222.

## MPHS MONDAY SERVICE

Every 3rd Monday of the month at 11-00am, representatives of our church conduct an Ecumenical service at Grenfell Multi-Purpose Health Service (MPHS) for the residents there. Any parishioners who would like to attend would be very welcome. A service is held each Monday with other churches being rostered on for the other Mondays of the month.

## NATIONAL PRAYER CAMPAIGN

(For the gift of rain, for people affected by drought, for support services)

Eternal God, in wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our drought-stricken land, on our starving animals, on our failing crops.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them.

In your loving providence, send abundant rain and restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion, hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son, in whom the promise of new life has dawned, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life:

Renew your faithful people;  
Renew the face of the earth.

Our Lady of the Southern Cross,  
Mary, help of Christians - Pray for us.  
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop - Pray for us.



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer Church Service will be held at 4-00pm on Friday, 6th March 2020 in the Presbyterian Church with a late afternoon tea to follow.

The Host country who have prepared the service are from Zimbabwe. World Day of Prayer is held in over 150 different countries and in 88 different languages! It is a global Ecumenical Movement led by Christian women and now attended by men everywhere and we welcome everyone to join us in prayer and praise and action for peace and justice. All our Grenfell Churches will be taking part in this service.

## SUNDAY ROSTER MARCH/APRIL

For those without an email, the March/April 2020 Roster is available on the bench under the notice board at the back of the church.

Thank you for continuing to volunteer.

We are also looking for someone who would be prepared to learn how to be an Altar Server as one of our Acolytes will be away from 7th July till 12th October, 2020. Please contact Mary Moffitt (6343-1575 or 0419 440-692) if you are interested.