

MASS TIMES:

SUNDAY: 8.00am Mass (2nd & 4th Sunday)
8.00am Communion Service
(1st & 3rd and any 5th Sunday)

WED: NO Mass at 9-30am

Note: A Funeral Mass takes priority over Wednesday Mass

RECONCILIATION: Sunday (7.30am - 7.45am)

BAPTISMS: Telephone or email office in Young

WEDDINGS: At least 6 months' notice
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WEEKEND MASS TIMES AT YOUNG AND BOOROWA

YOUNG: 6.00pm (SAT) & 10.00am (SUN)
BOOROWA: 5.00pm (SUN)

ROSTERS FOR THIS WEEK: SUN. 10 DEC. 2023

ACOLYTE: Nev Stokes
MUSIC: Peter Butcher
READER: Sr Mary
COUNTERS: Mary Moffitt, Phillipa Baker
CLEANING: Sharon Eppelstun, Phillipa Baker, Debbie Williamson

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK: SUN. 17 DEC. 2023

PRESIDER: Mary Moffitt
GOSPEL/REFL: Sr Mary
ACOLYTE: John King
MUSIC: Peter Butcher
READER: Glenys O'Connor
COUNTERS: Sharon Eppelstun, Julie Condon

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS -(3rd Sunday of Advent)

Is 61: 1-2, 10-11: 1 Thess 5: 16-24: Jn 1:6-8, 19-28:



St. Joseph's Parish, Grenfell

We sincerely acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Wiradjuri people

2nd Sunday of Advent - 10 December 2023

Parish Priest: Fr Jiss Sunny **Deacon:** Mark Ha
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Parish Safeguarding Commitment: St Joseph's Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of all of our children and vulnerable people. If any parishioner has any concerns about the above, please email Fr Jiss or the Parish



Symbols of the Advent Wreath

Circular shape

Reminds us that God has no beginning and no end, He is one and eternal.

Pink candle

Lit on Gaudete Sunday, it symbolizes joy as we approach the birth of Jesus.

4 candles

The 4 Sundays of Advent. When we light each one we are reminded that the light of Jesus is coming into the world.

Green branches

Green symbolizes hope and life. It reminds us that Christ lives among us.



GRENFELL FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

As the death of a loved one can be a very stressful time, we have support in place if you need it. Please contact Di Franks (6343-2230 or 0418 619-740) or Mary Moffitt (6343-1575 or 0419 440-692) if you or your family would like assistance with funeral preparation arrangements.

CHURCH OPENING HOURS

If you wish to pay a visit - St Joseph's Church will be open daily from 10.00am - 4.00pm and following Mass on Sundays.

Please keep the inside doors closed to prevent the pigeons paying a visit.

2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

2nd Rite of Reconciliation will be held on Thursday, 21st December at 6-00pm at St Mary's Church for all of Young Mission.



This will be your last opportunity before Christmas as this night will replace any other allocated times in each Parish.

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.

2024 CLEANING ROSTER

The Roster for cleaning at St Joseph's Church next year has been emailed to those who have supplied an email address. For everyone else, I have placed copies at the back of the Church for you to pickup. Regards Mary.

GRENFELL MPS CHRISTMAS SERVICE

The Grenfell MPS Christmas Service will be held at Grenfell MSP on Monday, 18th December at 11.00am. Parishioners are most welcome to join the service.

Year 6 GRADUATION



GRADUATION MASS

WEDNESDAY, 13TH DECEMBER 2023

6.00PM

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH OFFICE NOTICE

The weekly parish bulletin will be available in the church plus on the website each week. Please feel free to go to: cg.org.au/grenfell and download view.

WEEKLY CATHOLIC VOICE

The Weekly Catholic Voice is available online each week. Please log into: catholicvoice.org.au and catch up with all the latest news.

Prayers are requested for Martin Stait (Grandson of Mary Galvin), Fran Harveyson, Bill Mainwaring, Jennifer Sullivan (Sister of Bill Mainwaring), Shirley Cassidy (Sister of Mary Galvin) who are not well at the moment.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Patrick O'Meally, Veronica Galvin, Pam Martens, Steve O'Brien, Peter Galvin

Dear Parishioners,

It is with a mix of nostalgia and pragmatism that I share this update about our beloved St Columbus Church in Bribbaree. This church holds a remarkable traditional history, with many of our families deeply rooted in its community.

Regrettably, due to a decline in parishioners and the escalating maintenance costs, we find ourselves compelled to make a difficult decision—to sell the church. Before we take this step, I invite you to join me for a formal last mass or a Last Supper Mass at St Columbus Church on Wednesday, 27th December at 6.00pm in Bribbaree.

I encourage all parishioners of St Columbus to bring their family members to participate in this final gathering. It will be a poignant farewell to our community within the framework of our Catholic faith. As a gesture of remembrance, we offer an opportunity for families who have donated items to the church to reclaim them. If your family has contributed statues or liturgical items, you may retrieve them by providing evidence of ownership.

For those interested, there is also an option to purchase items from the church, and the proceeds will be directed towards noble causes. Please reach out to Brian Hislop on 6382-3288 or Bill Kearney on 6382-5555 for additional details.

It would be greatly appreciated if parishioners are able to bring a plate of food with them to share with everyone. Could you please advise either Brian or Bill if you are bringing food so we know beforehand.

I anticipate that this decision may evoke various emotions, but it is ultimately in support of our Young Mission. Let us come together on 27th December at 6.00pm for a final mass—a moment to cherish the memories and bid a heartfelt farewell to St Columbus Church.

There will be a similar gathering at a later date when arrangements are made for the sale of the Quandialla Church.

Yours faithfully,
Fr. Jiss

CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE MASS TIMES

Sat. 23rd Dec: (W/E Masses)	-	Young Vigil	-	6.00pm
	-	Boorowa Vigil	-	6.00pm
	-	Grenfell Vigil	-	6.00pm
Sun. 24th Dec:	-	Young Mass	-	10.00am
Christmas Eve: Sun. 24th Dec	-	Young Vigil (outdoors)	-	6.00pm
	-	Boorowa Vigil	-	6.00pm
Christmas Day: Mon. 25th Dec	-	Grenfell Mass	-	8.00am
	-	Binalong Mass	-	9.00am
	-	Young Mass	-	10.00am

