

MASS TIMES:

SUNDAY: 8.00am Mass (every Sun) until Christmas

WED: No Mass unless advised

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. 22 DEC 2024

ACOLYTE: Nev Stokes

MUSIC: Peter Butcher

READER: Val Forsyth

COUNTERS: Mary Stokes
Mary Ray

CLEANING: Betty Penrose, Loy Best,
Bernadette Dykhoff

ROSTERS FOR THIS WEEK: WED. 25 DEC 2024

ACOLYTE: Nev Stokes

MUSIC: Peter Butcher

READER: Phillipa Baker

COUNTERS: Phillipa Baker
Julie Finn

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK: SUN. 29 DEC 2024

ACOLYTE: Greg Ewers

MUSIC: Peter Butcher

READER: Glenys O'Connor

COUNTERS: Peter Butcher,
Mary Moffitt

NEXT READINGS-(NativityoftheLord-Christmas)

Is 52: 7-10; Heb 1: 1-6; Jn 1: 1-18



St. Joseph's Parish, Grenfell

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

4th Sunday of Advent - 22 December 2024

Parish Priest: Fr Jiss Sunny MS **Assistant Priest:** Fr 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 Office.



Dear Parishioners,

As we gather to celebrate this joyous season, I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year in 2025. May this year be a time of abundant grace, hope, and renewal for each of us.

Reflecting on the past year, we are grateful for the many blessings we've received under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. It has been a year of spiritual growth and community, and as we step into this new year, we embrace the theme of Pilgrims of hope, which invites us to look forward with faith and anticipation.

On December 29th, we will take a moment to bid farewell to Fr Mark Ha. Let us come together to express our gratitude for his service and to wish him well as he embarks on his new pastoral journey. His contributions to our community have been invaluable, and he will be missed. Young Mission (Young, Boorowa & Grenfell) has bought a Farewell gift for Fr Mark and will be presented to him when it arrives.

I also want to inform you about the upcoming renovations scheduled to begin on January 7, 2025 in St Mary's Church. During this period, our Saturday evening Mass will take place at 6.00pm and our Sunday Mass at 10.00am in Hennessy Catholic College Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to unite as a community, and I encourage everyone to lend a helping hand in preparing for these Masses (arranging chairs each Mass etc) as we continue to celebrate the Eucharist together.

Furthermore, I will be travelling to India for a provincial chapter and will be away for a few weeks. During my absence, a priest from Canberra will be available to assist us at St. Mary's Church in Young. For our Boorowa parishioners, we will have support from Galong Monastery, while Grenfell will have a Liturgy of the Word in my absence.

As always, I am grateful for your unwavering support and dedication to our mission. Your involvement and care make a significant difference in our Young Mission.

Wishing you all peace and joy during this Holy season.

Blessings, Fr. Jiss

Prayers are requested for Leslie King, Jonah Mills, Terry Carroll, 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.

CHRISTMAS TIMETABLE MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve: - Boorowa Vigil (outdoors) - 6.30pm
Tue. 24th Dec - Young Vigil (outdoors) - 7.00pm

Christmas Day: - Grenfell Mass - 8.00am
Wed. 25th Dec - Binalong Mass - 9.00am
- Young Mass - 10.00am



DARE TO CARE. HAVE YOU CONSIDERED BECOMING A FOSTER CARER?

Whether for long-term care or respite care once a month, there are numerous ways you can make a difference in a child's life. All types of people make great carers.

Marymead CatholicCare Canberra & Goulburn provides a well-established and highly regarded Permanency Program supporting children, foster carers and birth families under NSW court orders, with teams based in Young, Goulburn, Wagga Wagga and Canberra, servicing many regional NSW communities. These teams work closely to support foster care placements, pathways toward family restoration, along with guardianship and adoption.

For more information contact our Carer Recruitment Team on (02) 4827 1600 or email: CarerRecruitment@mccg.org.au, or visit our website mccg.org.au/services/foster-care/.

MESSAGE TO GRENPELL PARISH

To my friends at St Joseph's Grenfell.
Every blessing to you and your families for this Christmas season and the New Year.
Thoughts and prayers are with you always.
Fond memories and love.

Sr Mary.

OFFICE NOTICE

Please be advised that there will be no Anointing Masses, Baptisms or Reconciliation during the month of January.

The Parish Office will also be closed for holidays and opening again on 21st January 2025.



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.

MESSAGE FROM FR ALLEN CROWE

Thank you all for your kind messages and prayers. My foot is progressing slowly, still a way to go. Will require further surgery to help clear up the infection.

Will be spending Christmas in hospital. Keep up the good prayers.

Thanks
Fr Allen.

MEALS ON WHEELS

St Joseph's Parish is rostered for Meals on Wheels deliveries from Monday, 20th January till Sunday, 26th January.

If you are unable to do your rostered day, please find a replacement and advise Deidre Carroll on (0403) 480-729, who in turn will advise Meals on Wheels.



GRENPELL 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.

Fourth Sunday of Advent wreath lighting

Presider

The Presider, or an assistant, lights the fourth candle.
V. Lord Jesus, your coming was proclaimed by the prophet Micah as coming from the house of David and who will rule over all Israel and be peace.

R. Come, Lord Jesus.

V. Lord Jesus, you make us holy by the offering of your body made once and for all.

R. Come, Lord Jesus.

V. Lord Jesus, you are the blessed fruit of the womb of she who believed that the promise made to her would be fulfilled.

R. Come, Lord Jesus.

Presider (Collect fourth Sunday of Advent Year C)

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
R. Amen