

**St Patrick's Parish Gundagai**  
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**9<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019 – 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR C**

**MASS TIMETABLE**

Saturday 6:00pm  
 Sunday **NO MASS**  
 Monday **NO MASS**  
 Tuesday 11:00am Liturgy  
 Wednesday 5:45pm Liturgy  
 Thursday 5:45pm Mass  
 Friday 12:00noon Mass

**Mass at Uralba last Saturday of the month at 11.00am**  
**Weekend Vigil Mass Saturday 6pm**  
 Tumut Sat. Vigil Mass 6:00pm  
 Tumut Sun. 10:00am  
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 Jugiong 10 March 9am

**CONFESSION** – Sat. 5pm or anytime by request  
**BAPTISMS** – Saturday 6pm during Vigil Mass or 11am 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month  
 Contact  
 Meg Lloyd 0439454251  
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 D Reardon 0448787788

9 MARCH 2019		10 MARCH 2019	16 MARCH 2019	17 MARCH 2019
<b>Acolytes Readers</b>	Peter Gain Peter O Reardon		Chris McDonnell Sarah Graham	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Offertory</b>	Colleen Sullivan & Mary McCormick		Pam Goodsall & Cheryl Bond	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Lillian McDonnell Lilly Cotterill		Isaac Pearce Juliet Pearce Josie Quine	
<b>Sanctuary St. Vinnies</b>	Marg & Brian Rafferty Anne & Jim Saunderson		Remi Field & Ann Metcalfe Peter & Denise Reardon	
Home Communion 10 MARCH	Jill Jones	Helen Turner	Liz Maher	
Home Communion 17 MARCH	Kathy Reardon	Betty Somerville	Mary McCormick	
<b>Prayers for the eternal repose of the souls of: Recently deceased :</b> Mary Fitzpatrick, Mary Luff, Eric Smith, Ian Eccleston, Lynette Bennett, Geoffrey Smart, Paul Graham (Wagga), Jenny Lindley. <b>Anniversaries</b> - We remember all who have died and whose anniversaries occur at this time. Mick Grange. <b>Mass offering &amp; prayers have also been requested for the following</b> – Deceased members of the Fitzpatrick, Quirk & Grange families.				
<b>Prayers for the sick</b> – Archbishop Francis Carroll, Fr. Warrick Tonkin, Ben Lott, Louise Cook, Louise Kilby.				
<b>CONTACT DETAILS</b> Mobile phone no. Fr. George 0484604273 Mobile phone no. Fr. Namora 0450438444		<b>BANKING DETAILS ST. PATRICK'S PARISH</b> BSB 062 786 A/C No. 14943 <b>PARISH WEB SITE</b> cg.org.au/gundagai		

**ST PATRICK'S FESTIVAL OF MUSIC & FUN**  
 15<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – St. Patrick's Day School Mass at 12noon followed by sausage sizzle at St. Patrick's Primary School. Wear a touch of green!  
 For details phone 69441 085  
**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March** – Irish Variety Night – light dinner, music, dancing, and guest performances at St. Patrick's Hall 7:00pm – 10:30pm.  
 Tickets \$30.00pp, BYO and wear a touch of green!  
 Prizes on the night!  
 Tickets available at St. Patrick's Primary School, La Bella Nova, Moeys and Lott's Hotel.  
 For details phone Madeline Ryan 0411491549.  
**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March** – Run 4 Fun Colour Explosion at Stan Crowe Oval, 10am.  
 Dress in white and be blasted with all the colours of the rainbow!  
 Registrations online via St. Patrick's Primary School.  
 For details phone Michelle Scott 0409928119.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

Relationship enrichment for married couples 26<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> April at Mt. Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, N.S.W.  
 Bookings online at [www.wwm.e.org.au](http://www.wwm.e.org.au) or Adrian and Janet Sullivan on 0490 774419 or [adrian.janet@bigbond.com](mailto:adrian.janet@bigbond.com)

**ROSARY**

The Rosary will be said in the Church on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 10:30am** to pray for world peace and vocations.

**SCHOOL MASS**

Mass will be celebrated on **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** at 12noon followed by a sausage sizzle at St. Patrick's School.

**PRAYER FOR RAIN**

Let us ask St. Mary MacKillop to intercede for us to send much needed rain.  
 It rained at the time of her beatification and also at the time of her canonisation.  
 Almighty and Eternal Father bestow the blessing of rain upon our parched land.  
 Let your heavenly dew come down upon our farms and stock and our native life.  
 Give courage, strength and hope to all farmers, graziers their families and our country townspeople.  
 We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.  
 Amen.

**COUNTRY MASS**

Mass will be celebrated on **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March 10:00am** at Gobarralong (Fifth Sunday)

**THE 40 DAYS OF THE LENTEN FAST**

The current Catechism of the Catholic Church states: Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert.  
 The 40 days mentioned here are not figurative or approximate; they are not a metaphor; they are literal. They are tied, as the 40 days of Lent have always been for Christians, to the 40 days that Christ spent fasting in the desert after his baptism by John the Baptist. Paragraphs 538-540 of the current Catechism of Catholic Church speak of the "salvific meaning of this mysterious event," in which Jesus is revealed as "the new Adam who remained faithful just where the first Adam had given into temptation. By uniting 'herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert', the Church participates directly in this salvific act.  
 Prayer  
 Lord God, you who breathed the spirit of life within me.  
 Draw out of me the light and life you created.  
 Help me to find my way back to you.  
 Help me to use my life to reflect your glory and to serve others as your son Jesus did.  
 Amen

**FORTY DAYS – FORTY ITEMS**

We have a challenge for your family during Lent  
 Each day of Lent, remove one item of clothing from your closet that you no longer wear or need and put it into a garbage bag. Bags available at the back of the Church.  
 At the end of the Forty days, donate these items to the St. Vincent de Paul 'Blue Bin' at St Patrick's School so that they can be shared with others who can really use them. Thank you  
 Natasha Flanagan – REC. St. Patrick's School.

**PROJECT COMPASSION**

"The future does have a name and its name is hope"  
 The stories we are sharing during the six weeks of Lent demonstrate how Caritas Australia helps many needy people in many countries.  
 Week one: Thandolwayo, Zimbabwe  
 Life wasn't easy for 12year old Thandolwayo, living with her grandparents in a village in Zimbabwe.  
 Every morning she walked seven kilometres, at risk of crocodile attack, to collect water. Thandolwayo would then go to school exhausted.  
 Her hopes to be a nurse seemed impossible, until Caritas helped the village install solar-powered pumps and two 10,000 litre water storage tanks.  
 "Now I can bathe every day, we now drink clean, safe water". Thandolwayo can now concentrate on her education.  
 Project Compassion boxes and envelopes are available at the back of the Church.