



St Patrick's Parish Gundagai

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7TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR C – 20TH FEBRUARY 2022

COVID PROTOCOLS AVAILABLE ON PARISH WEBSITE

Please check-in and wear a mask

GUNDAGAI		COUNTRY MASS		SACRAMENTS	
Saturday 19th	6PM VIGIL	Uralba	4 th Sat. 11AM	Confession:	5:30pm prior Vigil Mass
Sunday 20th	NO MASS	Tumut	Sat Vigil Mass 6PM	Marriage:	By appointment
Monday 21st	NO MASS		Sun. Mass 10AM	Baptism:	3 rd Sat of the month or
Tuesday 22nd	LITURGY 11AM	Adelong	1 st /3 rd Sun. 10AM		during any Mass (Vigil)
Wednesday 23rd	LITURGY 12NOON	Jugiong	2 nd /4 th Sun. 9AM	To arrange a Baptism please contact:	
Thursday 24th	Adoration 11:30AM MASS 12NOON	Gobarralong /Adjungbilly	5 th Sunday 8AM ADJUNGBILLY	gundagai@cg.org.au	
Friday 25th	MASS 12PM				

ROSTER

	19 FEB	26 FEB
ACOLYTE	Peter Gain	Bill Barton
READER	Hugh Ryan	Peter Gain
OFFERTORY	Dick Jones / Liz Maher	Carmel Reardon / Monica Reardon
SANCTUARY	Kathy Reardon / Colleen Jones / Craig Ferguson	Marie Nelson / Anne Elphick
HOME COMMUNION	Peter Gain / Helen Turner	Kathy Reardon / Jill Jones / Marie Nelson
ALTAR SERVERS	James Reardon / Skye Somerville	Skye Somerville / Juliet Pearce
COUNTING	Denise Reardon / Peter Gain	Chris Baron / Kathy Reardon
ST. VINNIES	TBC	P & C Reardon

PRAYER/MASS REQUESTS

RECENTLY DECEASED	ANNIVERSARIES	THE SICK	MASS OFFERINGS
We pray for the souls of the recently deceased esp Betty Donovan, Bryon Bentley, Patrick "Paddy" Reardon	John Percival, Eliza Carberry, William Morton, John Dennis, Alice Dennis, Mark Haughton, Edward Murray, Mary McCormack, Eric Rusconi, Mary Makeham, Mary Fitzpatrick, Pauline Vietch, Patricia Horsley	We pray for all who are sick and suffering and those who care for them.	

PARISH DETAILS

PARISH COUNCIL	PRIESTS / PARISH	PARISH BANKING
Peter Gain (Chair), Liz Knight, Kate Howe, Sarah Graham, Jess Eccelston, Chris Baron, Verity Whittaker, Fr George, Fr Namora, Pete Reardon (Ex Officio).	Fr George – 0484 604 273 Fr Namora – 0450 438 444 Madeline Ryan – 0478 000 526	BSB 062 786 A/C 14943 ST PATRICKS PARISH GUNDAGAI

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Please send any notices to gundagai@cg.org.au by midday Thursday each week for inclusion in the bulletin

NOTICES

ROSARY & LITURGY

The Rosary will be prayed on **Tuesday 22nd February** at 10:30am, followed by Liturgy at 11am.

"With the Rosary, we allow ourselves to be guided by Mary, model of faith, in meditating on the mysteries of Christ, and day after day we are helped to assimilate the Gospel, so that it shapes all our lives." ~ Pope Benedict XVI

ADORATION

Adoration will be held on **Thursday 24th February** 11:30am, followed by Mass at 12noon.

"The Blessed Sacrament is that Presence which makes a Catholic Church different from every other place in the world; which makes it, as no other place can be, holy." ~ St John Henry Newman

FEBRUARY DEVOTION – HOLY FAMILY

"The Holy Family is the beginning of countless other holy families," John Paul II said in his *Letter to Families*. He stressed, "The history of mankind, the history of salvation, passes by way of the family." In fact, the saintly pope made it plain that he was trying "to show how the family is placed at the center of the great struggle between good and evil, between life and death, between love and all that is opposed to love." Sr Lucia of Fatima wrote, "The final battle between the Lord and the kingdom of Satan will be about Marriage and the Family. Don't be afraid...because whoever works for the sanctity of Marriage and the Family will always be fought against and opposed in every way, because this is the decisive issue." Jesus, Mary & Joseph, pray for us!

COLLECTION 13 FEB

First Collection: \$323.80 (incl Gobarralong)

Second Collection: \$584.00

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The 2022 World Day of Prayer will be held on Friday 4th March at 7pm at St John's Anglican Church. The host nation for 2022: England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

The theme is God's promise to his people in exile in Babylon, found in the book of Jeremiah 29:11.

"For I know the plans I have for you", declares the LORD "Plans to prosper you and not harm you, Plans to give you hope and a future."

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

9 March (5:00pm – 9:00pm) "CatholicCare / Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Program"

Marriage Preparation program for engaged couples. Includes FOCCUS questionnaire, dinner, evening formation program and a private, follow-up couple discussion with a CatholicCare counsellor.

Information and registration at www.marriagefamily.org.au

ONE DAY LENTEN RETREAT

12 March (9:30am – 4:30pm) "One Day Lenten Retreat by Fr Roni George VC and Fr Joby George VC"

Venue: St Benedict's Catholic Church, 10 Tallara Pkwy, Narrabundah, ACT 2604, Australia

Admission is FREE, BYO lunch. Boxed lunch available at nominal cost, RSVP by 9th March, 2022 to p1.rebello@gmail.com

For enquiries please contact: Parveen: 0439642571; Winnie: 0451015527; Prakash 0406381446

LOVE YOUR ENEMIES

What could love of enemies mean? Well, first of all, it's something that we imitate whereby we imitate God in His nature, we are fashioned in His image.

Divine love is precisely a form of friendship. The friendship is the first, you could say, category or characterization or precision on what it means to love God, to love one's neighbour. And this is rather astounding when you consider that friendship means in some sense, an equality between the two. To know that God wants to draw us into a friendship with Him is truly stunning. So when our Lord says, "I no longer call you servants, but friends." We realize what a high calling the life of grace is. We're not just good little creatures doing what God tells us to do. We become His intimates, those who He's drawn into His own life. So, we need to understand God's treatment of enemies in the light of that.

Our Lord gives us immediately the way of obeying that commandment, that very difficult commandment.

Love for enemies is the first test of our love. It's all fun and good to be friends. That's the ideal. That's what we want, friends with God, friends with each other, friends with the saints, but we can't get there unless we're willing to love our enemies. Because Christ is the first model. How did He make us his friends? Well, by loving us while we were still His enemies. Love your enemies, do good to those who persecute you, pray for those who treat you badly.

If we really claim to want to be loved by Him and to live in His love, we have to do the same thing. We have to reach out and take the initiative to love those who are enemies, who have harmed us. – Fr Hugh Barbour, Catholic Answers