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## 26 JANUARY 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

### MASS TIMETABLE

GUNDAGAI		COUNTRY MASS		SACRAMENTS	
Saturday	6PM VIGIL MASS	Uralba	11AM Last Sat. of Month	Confession	Sat. 5PM or by request
Sunday	NO MASS	Tumut	Sat. Vigil Mass 6PM	Marriage	By appointment
Monday	NO MASS		Sun. Mass 10AM	Baptism	Sat. 6PM or 11AM 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat. of each month
Tuesday	11AM Liturgy	Adelong	Sun. 10AM	To arrange a Baptism please contact:	
Wednesday	5:45PM Liturgy	Jugiong	Sun. 9AM	Meg Lloyd - 0439 454 251	
Thursday	5:15PM Adoration	Gobarralong/Adjungbilly	5 <sup>th</sup> Sun. 10AM	Anne Saunderson - 0408 441 317	
	5:45PM MASS			Denise Reardon - 0448 787 788	
Friday	12NOON				

### ROSTERS

	25 JANUARY	1 FEBRUARY
ACOLYTE	Chris McDonnell	Peter Reardon
READER	Chris Baron	Sarah Graham
OFFERTORY	Anne Metcalf / Maureen Barrington	Dick Jones / Liz Maher
ALTAR SERVERS	Jess McDonnell / Hugh Ryan	Lincoln Fallon / Alec Bell-Magnone
SANCTUARY	Brian & Marg Rafferty	Anne Saunderson / Kathy Reardon
ST. VINNIES	Jim & Anne Saunderson	Gailey Family
HOME COMMUNION	Marie Nelson / Anne Saunderson / Monica Reardon	Anne Metcalf / Peter Gain / Monica Reardon

### PRAYER REQUESTS

RECENTLY DECEASED	ANNIVERSARIES	MASS OFFERING	SICK
We pray for the repose of the souls of all the recently deceased.	Sidney Crossley, Francis Peachey, Florence Eccleston, Heather Francis, Noeline Quilty, Lesley Smith, Catherine Luff, Anne Rose,		We pray for all the sick of our parish community

### PARISH DETAILS

PARISH COUNCIL	PRIESTS / PARISH	BANKING / PLANNED GIVING
Fr George, Fr Namora, Peter Gain, Chris Baron, Anne Saunderson, Craig Ferguson, Kate Howe, Liz Knight	Fr George - 0484 604 273 Fr Namora - 0450 438 444 Presbytery - 02 69441029	BSB 062 786 A/C 14943 ST PATRICKS PARISH GUNDAGAI

A copy of the Church Bulletin is available on our website each week - [www.cg.org.au/gundagai](http://www.cg.org.au/gundagai)

Please send any notices to [gundagai@cg.org.au](mailto:gundagai@cg.org.au) by Wednesday each week for inclusion in the bulletin.

St Patrick's Parish Church Facebook Page - [www.facebook.com/stpatsgundagai](http://www.facebook.com/stpatsgundagai)

## NOTICES

### ROSARY

The Rosary will be said the Church on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January at **10:30am** to pray for world peace and vocations.  
*“Mary, Woman clothed with the sun, help us to fix our gaze on Christ amid the inevitable sufferings and problems of everyday life...” – St John Paul II*

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January at **5:15pm** with Mass at **5:45pm**.  
*“Until we have a passionate love for our Lord in the most Blessed Sacrament, we shall accomplish nothing” – St Peter Julian Eymard*

### 10 POINTS FOR FRUITFUL SCRIPTURE READING

1. Bible reading is for Catholics – make it a part of your daily prayer life.
2. Prayer is the beginning and the end – ask the Holy Spirit to open your mind and heart and may what you read bear fruit.
3. Get the whole story! - Look for a Catholic edition
4. The Bible isn't a book - it's a library full of history, poetry, prophecy, encouragement, testimony and challenge.
5. Know what the Bible is, and what it isn't – it is the story of God's relationship with his people and not a text book.
6. The sum is greater than the parts – read it in context
7. The Old relates to the New – read in light of each and together we understand God's plan for human beings.
8. You do not read alone -
9. What is God saying to me? – The Bible is not only address to those in a faraway land but to each of us.
10. Reading isn't enough – If Scripture remains just words on a page, our work is not done. Meditate and put it in to action in our lives.

### 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 her canonization.

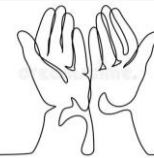
*Almighty and Eternal Father, bestow the blessing of rain upon our parched land. Let your heavenly dew come down upon our farms and stock and our native life. Give courage, strength and hope to all farmers, graziers and their families and our country townspeople.*

*We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

St Mary of the Cross, pray for us.

St Isodore, patron of farmers, pray for us.

St Florian, patron of firefighters, pray for us.



### MASS AT URALBA

Mass will be celebrated at Uralba next Saturday 1 February at 11am.

### VINNIES BUSHFIRE APPEAL

Parishes across the country will be taking up a special collection at Masses this weekend, with all funds to be donated to Vinnies' bushfire appeal. A collection bag will be at the back of the church. You can also donate directly via the Vinnies website [www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au)

### AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

Congratulations to our very own Bev Mellis on being awarded Gundagai's "Citizen of the Year", as well as Pat McDonnell and Dr Virginia Mara who are being recognised with certificates of appreciation.

Celebrate the work of our parishioners, and all award recipients at the Gundagai Australia Day celebrations in Carberry Park tomorrow, Sunday 26 January.

BBQ breakfast from 8am, bring a chair or picnic blanket, formalities to start at 9am.

### CHILD SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

**Date and Time:** Thursday 6 February 2020, 10AM – 12PM

**Venue:** St Patrick's Hall Meeting Room

**Presenters:** Maria Hicks and Brenda Foley

**Who should attend:** Acolytes, Home Communion, Catechists, Vinnies volunteers, Hospital visitors etc.

### COLLECTIONS 12 JANUARY

First Collection: \$374.55

Second Collection Loose: \$25.00

Planned Giving: \$209

Thank you for your generosity

### GRACE – 2020 LENTEN PROGRAM

*Grace* is a 76-page full colour book published by the Diocese of Wollongong containing short daily reflections (from Ash Wednesday 26 February to Easter Sunday 12 April) perfect for individual devotional reading in addition to the longer-form Sunday Gospel reflections, spiritual direction, Gospel readings, responsorial psalms, prayers and reflection questions that traditionally form part of Lenten group gatherings.

The shorter daily reflections have been written by 16 fantastic clergy, religious and lay contributors from around the world. *Grace* also features beautiful religious artworks from the Masters which Monsignor Graham Schmitzer expertly breaks open as part of his popular artwork reflections.

If anyone is interested in forming a Lenten Group please let the Secretary know so that resources can be ordered in time.