

**May They Rest in Peace:** Bill Rogerson,  
Valda Druett,

**Anniversaries:** Clare Jasek,  
**Sick / Pray for:**

**Banking:**

Collections last 2 weeks: Thank you for your support!

17/12 \$284.20                      9/12 1<sup>st</sup> \$294.55  
17/12 \$1859.00                      9/12 2<sup>nd</sup> \$568.00

**PLANNED GIVING:**

There are several ways you can support the ongoing expenses for the Taralga Parish.

- **Pg envelope**, weekly, f/n, monthly
  - **Direct debit**-set up a payment automatically
  - **Credit card**-set up automatic payment.
  - **EFT**- we can give you bank details and you can transfer money into account.  
(Electronically only/ not over the counter at the bank.)
- Taralga Parish Account  
BSB 062 786  
Account no. 000015023  
Reference- Surname- pg

ROSTER:	6pm
<b>Acolytes</b>	
23/12	Geoffrey Croker
24/12 6pm C- Eve	G Croker & S Fanning
30/12	Pat Keough
<b>Readers</b>	
23/12	Margaret McGregor
24/12 6pm C-Eve	L Murphy
30/12	Shaun Fanning
<b>Offertory</b>	
23/12	Mona & grandchildren
24/12 6pm C-Eve	P Keough & Family
30/12	Brian & Lyn
<b>EMHC</b>	
23/12	Leone Walsh
24/12 6pm C-Eve	Leone Walsh
30/12	Margaret Croker
<b>Cleaners &amp; Flowers</b>	Margaret. Helena
<b>P/Faithful</b>	Wendy, Anne. Gln



**MASS TIMES:**

**Taralga** Saturday 6.00pm Sept-May  
**5.00pm (Winter June-Aug.)**

Ss Peter & Paul's: Saturday (6.pm)  
**(5.00pm Winter June-Aug.)**

Our Lady of Fatima 7.00am Sunday  
Ss Peter & Paul's 10.00am Sunday

Crookwell 9.00 am. SUNDAY  
Binda 10.30 am Sunday (1,2,3 Sun. month)  
Tuena 11.30am 5<sup>th</sup> Sun. of the month.

**BAPTISMS:** During the 6pm Mass  
**Bookings are made through the office.**

**WEDDINGS:** all weddings must be booked through the Mission office for all churches.

**Clergy:** Fr D McDermott,  
Parish Administrator.  
Fr V Assin, Ass. Priest

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THE GOULBURN MISSION

**Christ The King**

**Taralga 23.12.17**

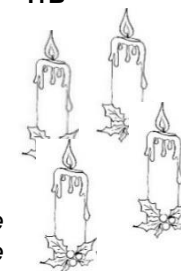
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**4th Sunday Advent YrB**

**Angel Gabriel Candle (4)**

Lord Jesus, you established the house of David to be secure forever and from which the Saviour would be born.

R. *Come, O Prince of Peace  
Come, O Prince of Peace  
Come, O Prince of Peace  
Come, and be born in our Hearts.*



Lord Jesus, you alone are wisdom and as St Paul declares, you give us the strength to live the Gospel

R *Come, O Prince of Peace*

Lord Jesus, you sent the angel Gabriel to give the good news to Mary so that she would bring Jesus into the world through the power of the Spirit.

R *Come, O Prince of Peace*

**Responsorial Psalm:**

My soul rejoices in my God

**Left:** My soul glorifies the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.  
He looks on his servant in her nothingness; henceforth all ages will call me blessed.

**Right:** The Almighty works marvels for me.  
Holy his name!  
His mercy is from age to age,  
on those who fear him.

**Left:** He fills the starving with good things,  
sends the rich away empty.  
He protects Israel, his servant,  
Remembering his mercy.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia Alleluia  
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;  
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.  
Alleluia

**Today's Readings:** 1/ Is 61:1-2. 10-11  
2/ 1 Thes 5:16-24 **Gospel:** Jn 1:6-8. 19-28

### **VOCATION PRAYER:**

Bless with courage and spirit those who serve you as Priests, Deacons, Brothers and Sisters. Keep them close to you.

Make them ardent, yet gentle, heralds of your Gospel. Open the minds and hearts of many more to accept the challenge to build your Kingdom

Give us all the time and energy to assist in the work of the Goulburn Mission.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

**Communion Antiphon:** Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.

Behold, our God will come, and he will save us

The Goulburn Mission is working on new **websites**, a work in progress, please have a look at it and watch it develop.

Bulletins for, rosters, sacramental updates, parish news, Mass times.

**Taralga has its own site.**

<http://cg.org.au/taralga/Home.aspx>

\*\*\*We are always looking for items to include, if you would like anything uploaded please email into Sharon.

**A TRAY is left in the Sacristy** for anything you would like to be sent in for Father or the office.

### **SPIRITUAL & PASTORAL CARE TRAINING**

Interested in growing your capacity for spiritual care? An Introductory Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) course is being offered once again in Goulburn and would be suitable for recently retired teachers, nurses or community workers wanting to learn more about providing holistic spiritual care

This 40 hour course will commence on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2018 and run over 5 sessions from 10am to 5pm. Applications are invited from kind-hearted people, open to increasing their ability to be fully present to others from different walks of life.

For more information and course fee please email Barbara Hall at [barbarahall1909@gmail.com](mailto:barbarahall1909@gmail.com) Register your interest or apply online by visiting [www.spiritualcpe.org.au](http://www.spiritualcpe.org.au) and click on to Introductory course Goulburn.

This course is conducted by the Canberra & Region Centre for Spiritual Care & CPE. Administrator: Michelle Ace:

[Michelle.Ace@act.gov.au](mailto:Michelle.Ace@act.gov.au) Phone: 6244 2261

### **Mission News:**

- Friday morning Mass-10.30am SPP
- Jan 1<sup>st</sup> we welcome Fr Gisa Lolesio (Assistant priest) & Fr Michael Lim will be here for a few weeks in January helping out, until he takes over the reigns from Fr Brannelly's Parish in Canberra at the end of January.

### **Christmas Mass Times:**

Christmas Eve 24<sup>th</sup>, Sunday: 6pm Taralga  
6pm Goulburn SPP  
6pm Crookwell  
8pm Goulburn SPP

Christmas Day 25<sup>th</sup>, Monday :9am Goulburn OLOF  
9am Crookwell  
10.30 Binda

### **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Mary Hogan	31/12/16		
Kenneth Halls	3/12/71	Patrick Mullaney	8/12/72
John Elliott	14/12/72	Les Whipp	25/12/75
Max Woods	3/12/88	Cecile Regan	23/12/92
Mary Walsh	8/12/93	Ron Gardener	17/12/95
Jack Walsh	13/12/99	Therese McInness	17/12/07
Richard Kelly	24/12/14	Fr Frank Keogh	6/12/15

Walter Corby	1/1/70	Geoffrey McIntosh	8/1/97
Agnes Clack	21/1/84	Russell Croker	24/1/03
Patrick Keogh	25/1/85	Bob Keech	19/1/10
Joyce Corby	29/1/99	Rita Carlon	25/1/17
Madeleine Watson	13/1/06	Maureen Keough	18/1/06
Terry McIntosh	17/1/14		

**\*Children's activity sheets**, relating to the Sunday Gospel for each Mass are available at the back of the church

The Golspie Church yard was cleaned up this week. 9 men worked hard to clean it up. We now have access to the church yard. Thank you for all your help.

### **Reflection: 4 Sunday Advent**

This scene from the Gospel of Luke, where such a momentous exchange takes place, is known as the Annunciation, meaning the announcement of the conception of Jesus.



- From the time of the Exile in Babylon, Israel had longed for the Messiah to come. He was to be the anointed one of God and the prophets foretold that he would come from the House of David and be born in David's home town of Bethlehem.

- According to Luke's Gospel, Mary and Joseph live in Nazareth in the north and travel to Bethlehem to be counted in the census because Joseph is of David's line and must return to his 'home' country.

Annunciation stories are a regular literary form. There are a number of such stories in the Hebrew Scriptures; for example, the births of Isaac, Samson and Samuel and, of course, Luke has already recorded the annunciation of John the Baptist. The purpose of the annunciation story is to let the reader know what role the person whose birth is announced will play in salvation history. In this sense they are a device rather than a strictly historical narration, although clearly based on ancient memory.

In the annunciation of the birth of Jesus, however, there are elements which surpass all other annunciation stories. The emphasis is on the creative action of the Holy Spirit, Mary's cooperation with God's will, and it establishes Jesus' transcendental origins. The role that the child to be born is to play in salvation history is defined in terms of Davidic Messiahship and in this last Sunday of Advent we stand on the brink of the fulfilment of the promise made to Mary of messianic hope for the world. The tension of the waiting of Advent is almost over.