



**Catholic Archdiocese of
Canberra & Goulburn**

WEST WYALONG MISSION

Established out of the Western Mission in 2012

St Mary's West Wyalong
founding Parish for the Bland
1894 (St Patrick's Wyalong)
Present St Mary's Church
1928;
St Mary's School 1896

St Kevin's Rankins Springs
Weethalle-Tallimba
St Kevin's RS 1955;
Weethalle Parish founded 1934;

St Joseph's Ungarie
Ungarie – Burcher
Parish founded 1931
Present St Joseph's
Church 1978;

Our Lady of Lourdes
Lake Cargelligo-Tullibigeal
Parish founded 1923.
Present Church 1957;
St Isidore's Tullibigeal;
St FX School
Christ The King Chapel,
Bolo, 2008

Fr Dominic Byrne PP & Administrator

Our Lady of Guadalupe Pray for us

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Catholic Schools:

West Wyalong: **St Mary's Principal, Mr Damian Collins: 6972 3003;** <https://smwms.nsw.edu.au/>

Lake Cargelligo: **St Francis Xavier Principal, Mrs Rachael Morris & Mrs Jacinta Elwin: 6898 1611;** <https://sfxlake.nsw.edu.au/> Continuing Catholic Schooling or High School Yrs 7-12: **St Anne's Central School,**

Temora: **69771011**

17th Sunday Yr B - 28th July, 2024 Grandparents and Elderly Sunday

		West Wyalong	Ungarie	Lake	Tully
Monday 29th	<i>Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus</i>	8am Mass			
Tuesday 30th	<i>St Peter Chrysologus</i>	8am Mass			
Wednesday 31st	<i>St Ignatius of Loyola</i>	8am Mass			
Thursday 1st	<i>St Alphonsus Liguori</i>	8am Mass			
Friday 2nd	<i>St Peter Faber</i>	8am Mass		11:30am Mass	5:30pm Mass
Saturday 3rd		No Mass		6pm Mass	11am Mass Bolo
Sunday 4th	<i>18th Sunday Ord Time</i>	9:30am Mass	8am Mass		

Adoration is held every Wednesday from 3 – 4pm in the 'Sisters of Mercy Chapel,' West Wyalong, followed by the Sacrament of **Reconciliation** until 5pm.

Fr Dom's Gospel Reflection: The imbalance of food distribution throughout the world must not lead to despair. With so many people in the western world well off, and others in the poorer countries battling so hard to get the basics of life, there might be a tendency to question what God has left for the good of all. A skewed distribution of wealth casts doubt on God's role as the creator of creation and humanities role at distributing its riches. For those who are truly in need of something to believe in, this breed's despair. This can destroy fertile ground for faith. Generosity of heart can promote, even nurture faith, and allow people to open their hearts.

"The situation of a vast number of the world's children is far from being satisfactory, due to the lack of favourable conditions for their integral development despite the existence of a specific international juridical instrument for protecting their rights, an instrument that is binding on practically all members of the international community. These are conditions connected with the lack of health care, or adequate food supply..." (*Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church*, n. 245).

Pray for our sick:

Vince English, Gwenda McConnachie, Dorothy Daniher, Helen Malligan, Paddy Doughan, Noel Pettit, Pat Mason, Fiona Frame, Liz Jones, Greg Withers, Marie McKenzie, Peter Campbell, Geoff Collins, Barry Cooper, Steve Herridge, Mary Turner, Sarah Pettit, Archie Boneham, Lesley Wright, June Worner, Lurensa Rowling, Brian Lynch and Shirley Sullivan.

Jesus, grant spiritual comfort and healing to the sick

Recent Deaths & Anniversaries:

Fr Peter Gannon, Geoff Funnell, Maureen Keys, Kay Anthony, Leo Lamont, Kath Roscarel, June Carnell, Robert Jansen, Emeritus Archbishop Francis Carroll, Vincent McAnaney, Kevin Brown, Dorothy Freeman and Francis King.

Mary, Helper of Souls pray for them.



It is the time of year when we seek the generosity of our parishioners to help those in need. **Vinnies Winter Appeal** is now on and our final giving date is today, the **28th July**. We ask that you help if you can to this appeal. Envelopes have been placed at the back of St Mary's Church, EFTPOS facilities will be available or you can donate via: <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal>

Western Mission Confirmation Program:

Commitment Mass	Saturday 3rd August 6pm - Our Lady of Lourdes	Sunday 4th August 9:30am - St Mary's Church
Retreat Day	Friday 9th August Usual school hours St Francis Xavier School	Tuesday 6th August 9am - 3:20pm St Mary's School
Confirmation Mass	Saturday 10th August 6pm - Our Lady of Lourdes	Sunday 11th August 9:30am - St Mary's Church

On Sunday, July 28, Catholics around the world are invited to take time to reflect on the great heritage and wisdom passed on by their grandparents and the elderly. The Pope has chosen the theme: "Do not cast me off in my old age" (cf. Psalm 71:9). It is meant "to call attention to the fact that, sadly, loneliness is the bitter lot in life of many elderly persons, so often the victims of the throw-away culture." In his message, Pope Francis will draw on the verse from Psalm 71 that depicts the plea of an elderly person who reflects on the story of their friendship with God. "By cherishing the charisms of grandparents and the elderly, and the contribution they make to the life of the Church, the World Day seeks to support the efforts of every ecclesial community to forge bonds between the generations and to combat loneliness, in the awareness that – as Scripture states – "It is not good for man to be alone" (Gen 2:18)."



The death of Fr Peter Gannon.

Fr Peter died after a long struggle with his health on Wednesday 24th July at Southern Cross Care at Campbell in Canberra.

Fr John was born 4 October 1944 in Ardlethan, NSW to John Gannon and Bridget Quinane. Siblings: Monica Glennon (dec), Tom (dec), Sr Maureen RSM, and John who is in frail health in Sydney. He was ordained a Priest, 24th August 1969 at St Mary's, West Wyalong by Archbishop Thomas Cahill.

Parishes and Appointments: Braddon [1970]; Grenfell [1973]; Bombala [1974]; Cootamundra [1977]; Young [1979]; Cobargo [1980]; Goulburn [1981]; Lake Cargelligo [1982]; Calwell [1985]; Braidwood [1993]; North Woden [1994]; Cooma [2000]; Pambula [2006]. Retired in 2011.

Fr Peter's funeral will take place 1030am on Tuesday 30 July at St Brigid's Catholic Church, Bancroft St, Dickson ACT. Light refreshments will be available in the parish hall after the funeral mass. He will be buried at West Wyalong in a private family service.

We continue to pray for Fr Peter's eternal rest and for comfort for his family, Sr Maureen RSM and his brother John.



Do not cast me off in my old age

Cf. Psalm 71.9

July 28, 2024
World Day
for Grandparents and the Elderly

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR OUR ARCHDIOCESE

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolations. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

1ST READING: 2 Kings 4:42-44

A reading from the second book of the Kings

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESP PSALM: Ps 144:10-11, 15-18. R. v.16

**(R.) *The hand of the Lord feeds us;
he answers all our needs.***

1. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. (R.)
2. The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time. You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live. (R.)
3. The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. (R.)

2ND READING: Ephesians 4:1-6

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

ACCLAMATION: Luke 7:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

***A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.***

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 6:1-15

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

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17th Sunday Yr B

Processional – United As One *Matthew Walker*

What can we give as we come here today
But the stories of our lives?
What can we bring, what can we give
To raise your spirit high

Gathered here today, united in love.
Your Spirit is with us to share and celebrate.
Gathered as God's people, under one cross,
We are Christ's body, united as one.

What do we share, as we come here today
But the story of His life?
How can we learn, to love as He loved,
To proclaim Your power and might?

Now that we've all, been renewed in Your love
And felt Your hand in our lives,
We must all go and be saints of this day
And spread Your message wide.

Offertory - We Gather At Your Table

Andrew Chinn

We come to your table now
With gifts of bread and wine
We gather at your table now
With these gifts of our lives

This bread that we bring
We offer now to You
It will be Your Body
A gift of love from You

This wine that we bring
We offer now to You
It will be Your Blood
A gift of love from You

Our lives that we bring
We offer now to You
May we be nourished
Through this gift of love from You

Reflection – The Body of Christ *Sarah Hart*

This is the Body of Christ,
Beautiful, broken and blessed;
Miracle of the greatest of loves,
Presence of God in our midst.
This is the Cup that he shares,
Endlessly emptied and poured;
Sacrifice made so that we might be saved
Now and forevermore.

Amen, amen!

We are healed by the Bread of life.

Amen, amen!

We are one in the Body of Christ.

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This is the Body of Christ,
Word become flesh by his grace;
Miracle of a mystery no tongue
Ever could fully explain.

This is the Blood of the Lamb,
Gift of a heart open wide;
Poured from the Cross to the altar where love
Comforts and fills and provides.

This is the Body of Christ,
Gathered in hope and in faith;
Bound by this love, this Body and Blood
He offers again and again.

All of the hunger we have,
Satisfied only by this;
So we receive, we remember, believe
And share so that others may live.

Recessional - Go Now in Peace

Kevin Keil

Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace together
May the spirit of Christ embrace your life
Go now in peace my friends

Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace together
As you journey each day,
may God guide your way
Go now in peace my friends

Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace together
May you witness to Christ
through deeds that you do
Go now in peace my friends

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