

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;

### WEST WYALONG MISSION

Established out of the Western Mission in 2012

St Joseph's Ungarie Ungarie – Burcher Parish founded 1931

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

Our Lady of Guadalupe Pray for us

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#### **Catholic Schools:**

West Wyalong: St Mary's Principal, Mr Damian Collins: 6972 3003; <a href="https://smwms.nsw.edu.au/">https://smwms.nsw.edu.au/</a> Lake Cargelligo: St Francis Xavier Principal, Mrs Rachael Morris & Mrs Jacinta Elwin: 6898 1611; <a href="https://sfxlake.nsw.edu.au/">https://sfxlake.nsw.edu.au/</a> Continuing Catholic Schooling or High School Yrs 7-12: St Anne's Central

School, Temora: 69771011

22nd Sunday Yr C, 31st August, 2025					
		West Wyalong	Ungarie	Lake	Tully
Monday 1st		Funeral Mass 11am			
Tuesday 2nd		No Mass			
Wednesday 3rd	St Gregory the Great, Pope	8am Mass			
Thursday 4th		8am Mass			
Friday 5th	St Teresa of Calcutta	Funeral Mass 1pm		Funeral Mass 11am	5:30pm Mass
Saturday 6th				6pm Mass	11am Bolo
Sunday 7th	23rd Sunday Ordinary Time	9:30am Mass	8am Mass		

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### **Historical Context - Hospitality**

In the first century, hospitality carried with it certain rules and expectations. If you were the recipient of hospitality, there was an obligation on you to return hospitality if it were within your means. Hospitality meant more than feeding people. It meant extending welcome to people even if you didn't know them. There was an obligation to extend welcome and hospitality to anyone who asked for it. Travellers knew that they could enter a village and ask for a meal and a bed and they would be provided. Jesus reinterpreted this obligation of hospitality and extended it to anyone in need.

### Scriptural context - Humility and Honour

Jesus' comments about taking the place of honour at a table are introduced as being a parable. Because it is identified as a parable, we know that there is a richer meaning below the surface. In talking about places at a feast, Jesus is referring to the kingdom of God. We know that Jesus has already identified that the lowly in this world will be in a place of honour in the kingdom. His message is that those who humble themselves in this world and give hospitality to the lowly will be lifted up – exalted – in the kingdom.

### Living the Gospel - What's the cost?

Jesus' message about humility is as relevant today as it was in the first century. It is part of human nature to want to fit in and to want to belong. Sometimes we are tempted to seek this acceptance at any cost. When our sense of belonging is achieved through the harming, humiliation or exploitation of others then the price is too high. When our desire for the latest fashion comes at the expense of others being able to simply live, then the price is too high. When we lift ourselves up by putting others down, then the price is too high.

<u>Weddings:</u> Congratulations to Grace Skipworth and Owen Pierce who were married on Saturday at Lake Cargelligo. *God, grant them a happy and blessed married life.* 

<u>Pray for our sick:</u> Colleen Goodwin, Gwenda McConnachie, Paddy Doughan, Noel Pettit, Pat Mason, Fiona Frame, Liz Jones, Greg Withers, Marie McKenzie, Peter Campbell, Mary Turner, Sarah Pettit, Brian Lynch and Shirley Sullivan. *Jesus, grant spiritual comfort and healing to the sick.* 

<u>Recent Deaths & Anniversaries:</u> Ted Wood, Archie Boneham, Kearley Fernando, Lindsay Kirby, Lizzie West, Margaret Booth, Margaret Johnson, Allannah Moran (nee Ridley), Martin Kelleher, Dorothy Daniher, Steve Herridge, Tony Galton, Dave Shearer, Lurensa Rowling, Betty Stenhouse (Anniv), Bill Stenhouse (Anniv) and Leo Daniher (Anniv). *Mary, Helper of Souls pray for them.* 

### Combined Parish Pastoral / Finance Council Meeting

St Mary's, West Wyalong, Our Lady of Lourdes, Lake Cargelligo and St Joseph's, Ungarie

When: Tuesday, 9th Septem-

ber, 2025

Time: **10:30am —2:00pm** 

Where: Chapel of Christ the King, Bolo

#### Purpose:

- to discuss National Catholic Safeguarding standards and gain Parish certification
- To complete mandatory Sexual Harassment training

Presenter: **Maria Hicks** | Manager Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding Catholic Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation

A light lunch and morning tea will be provided

Parish Pastoral and Finance Council Members are asked to RSVP by Tuesday 2nd September, 2025 via email:

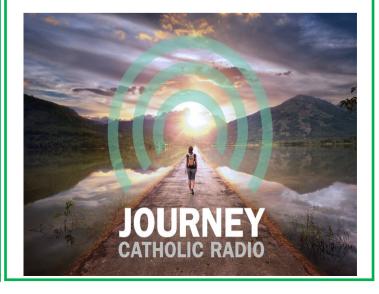
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1ST READING: Sirach 3:17-20, 28-29

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.

The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly,

and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble.
There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him.
The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables,

an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

The word of the Lord

### Thanks be to God

RESP PSALM:Ps 67:4-7. 10-11. R. v.11

# (R.) God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

- The just shall rejoice at the presence of God they shall exult and dance for joy.
   O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence.
- Father of the orphan, defender of the widow such is God in his holy place.
   God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom.
- 3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people were starved you gave them new life.

It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor.

The word of the Lord

### Thanks be to God

2nd READING: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24 A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered

for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

ACCLAMATION: Matthew 11:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

Take my yoke upon you;

learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1. 7-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

The Gospel of the Lord

### **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

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## 22nd Sunday Yr C 2025 Processional - Welcome Andrew Chinn

Welcome to this family Welcome in joy and peace Welcome to this place of love Welcomed by God

Called by your name Called by our faith Called to belong Called to be one

Come to the light Come find new life "Come follow me" Live in God's Peace

One in God's love One in God's Son Spirit of Peace One family

### Offertory - Come As You Are Monica Brown

Come as you are, that's how I want you Come as you are feel quite at home Close to my heart loved and forgiven Come as you are, why stand alone

No need to fear love sets no limits No need to fear love never ends Don't run away shamed and disheartened Rest in my love trust me again

I came to call sinners, not just the virtuous I came to bring peace not to condemn Each time you fail to live by my promise Why do you think I'd love you the less

Come as you are that's how I love you Come as you are trust me again Nothing can change the love that I bear you All will be well just come as you are

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# **Reflection – To The Table We Are Called** *Michael Harvey & Monica O'Brien*

To the table we are called, to the banquet of the Lord.

We are gathered for the feast where we will see the face of God and live! By your grace we are gathered here in faith. In this meal we are made whole.

In the body that is gathered, by hope that calls us here. In our longings and our struggles, we place our trust in you.

Bread and wine become your body by the faith that draws us near. In this sacred meal of promise, we know your saving grace.

In this mystery now before us we pray for unity, For healing of our broken world, for peace be restored.

### **Recessional** – **Light The Way** *Andrew Chinn*

Light the way, lift your hearts
In all you do, in who you are
Be the Good News, my living word
Be the change, be the start
Of a peace and joy-filled path
Be light for the way, hope for the world

Out of the darkness, out of the night Live in my truth, live in my light And take my light into this day And as you go... light the way!

And in this way, let your light shine
A light for all, a hopeful sign
And all will see and give God praise
And as you shine... you light the way!

I have called and chosen you

To now go forth and bear my fruit

Be light for the world in every day

And as you lead... light the way!