



**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 Hilary Rotich PP & Administrator

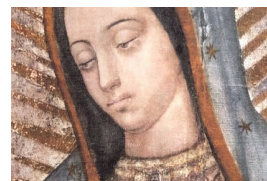
Our Lady of Guadalupe Pray for us

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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**

23rd Sunday Yr C, 7th September, 2025

		West Wyalong	Ungarie	Lake
Monday 8th	<i>Nativity of the BVM</i>	No Mass		
Tuesday 9th	<i>St Peter Claver</i>	8am Mass		
Wednesday 10th		8am Mass		
Thursday 11th		No Mass		
Friday 12th	<i>The Most Holy Name of Mary</i>	No Mass		11:30am Mass
Saturday 13th				6pm Mass
Sunday 14th	<i>24th Sunday Ordinary Time</i>	9:30am Mass	8am Liturgy	

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'Hate' is an emotive and extremely harsh word in our society. In its gospel context, the word is not used as an opposite of 'love' but as an indication of deserving of less significance than another thing. So the teaching about hating father, mother, etc can be read as saying that being a disciple of Jesus must take precedence over everything else, even family. In 1st Century culture, family was foremost above everything else; it was the very fibre that held society together. Jesus is saying that discipleship must be put above even that which is most important and most intrinsic to life in this world. That is why he goes on to tell the two stories about the need to count the cost before undertaking an important venture. He makes clear to his listeners that discipleship is more important than anything else and that there are huge costs associated with taking it on. A believer has to literally 'count the cost' of what it will mean to place discipleship above family, friendships, career, politics and even life itself. Jesus makes no apologies for the fact that what he is asking is incredibly demanding.

Our 'possessions' are all those things – material, emotional, and psychological – that we cling to and that we think give us our identity and status. Jesus called for a radical reinterpretation of status and position. He tells his listeners that they cannot truly be disciples if they continue to cling to those things that are considered important in this world. They have to surrender the things that bind them to this world's ideas of status and position before they can fully embrace the kingdom view of the world. As Jesus said, you have to really count the cost!

Pray for our sick:

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.***

Recent Deaths & Anniversaries:

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, and Lurensa Rowling.

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 September, 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



We are committed to the
**NATIONAL CATHOLIC
SAFEGUARDING STANDARDS**

Father's Day Prayer

God our Father,
you govern and protect your people
and shepherd them with a father's love.
You place a father in a family
as a sign of your love, care,
and constant protection.

May fathers everywhere be faithful
to the example shown in the Scriptures:
steadfast in love, forgiving
transgressions, sustaining the family,
caring for those in need.

Give your wisdom to fathers
that they may encourage and
guide their children.
Keep them healthy
so they may support a family.

Guide every father
with the Spirit of your love
that they may grow in holiness
and draw their family ever closer to you.
Amen



**Please give generously to the Father's Day Appeal
conducted at Masses this weekend.**

**Special envelopes have been placed in the pews and
donors will be issued with a tax deductible receipt.**

Donations can also be made at:

www.cgccatholic.org.au/donate



1ST READING: Wisdom 9:13-18

A reading from the book of Wisdom

What man can know the intentions of God?

Who can divine the will of the Lord?

The reasonings of mortals are unsure
and our intentions unstable;

for a perishable body presses down the soul,
and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind.

It is hard enough for us to work out what is on
earth,

laborious to know what lies within our reach;
who, then, can discover what is in the heavens?

As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had
you not granted Wisdom

and sent your holy spirit from above?

Thus have the paths of those on earth been straight-
ened

and men been taught what pleases you,
and saved, by Wisdom.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESP PSALM: Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

1. You turn men back into dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. (R.)
2. You sweep men away like a dream,
like grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. (R.)
3. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. (R.)
4. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

2nd READING: Philemon 12-17:Phlm 9-10, 12-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philemon

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is
more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing
to you for a child of mine, whose father I became
while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am

sending him back to you, and with him – I could say –
a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him
with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to
help me while I am in the chains that the Good News
has brought me. However, I did not want to do any-
thing without your consent; it would have been forc-
ing your act of kindness, which should be spontane-
ous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for
a time, but it was only so that you could have him
back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something
much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially
dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-
brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that
we have in common means anything to you, wel-
come him as you would me.

ACCLAMATION: Psalm 118:135

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Let your face shine on your servant,
and teach me your laws.**

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Luke 14:25-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he
turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me
without hating his father, mother, wife, children,
brothers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot
be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross
and come after me cannot be my disciple.

'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a
tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost
to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if
he laid the foundation and then found himself unable
to finish the work, the onlookers would all start mak-
ing fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started
to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what
king marching to war against another king would not
first sit down and consider whether with ten thou-
sand men he could stand up to the other who ad-
vanced against him with twenty thousand? If not,
then while the other king was still a long way off, he
would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same
way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives
up all his possessions.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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Processional - Will You Come and Follow Me?

John Bell

Will you come and follow me
If I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
And never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
Will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown
In you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind
If I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
And never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
Should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer
In you and you in me?

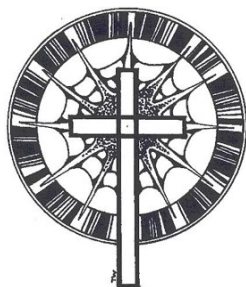
Will you let the blinded see
If I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
And never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
And do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean
In you and you in me?

Offertory – Our Blessing Cup *Bob Hurd*

***Our blessing cup is a communion
with the blood of Christ
And the bread we break
it is a sharing with the body of the Lord***

How can we make a return
for all the goodness God has shown?
We will take the cup of life
and call upon God's name

Gracious and merciful God
we give you thanks and bless your name
With all your people
praise and glory to your
name



**Christ gave
up everything
for our sake.**

Reflection – Bread for the World

Bernadette Farrell

***Bread for the world
A world of hunger
Wine for all peoples
People who thirst
May we who eat
Be bread for others
May we who drink
Pour out our love***

Lord Jesus Christ
You are the bread of life
Broken to reach and heal the wounds
Of human pain
Where we divide Your people
You are waiting there
On bended knee
To wash our feet with endless care

Lord Jesus Christ
You call us to Your feast
At which the rich and powerful
have become the least
Where we survive on others
In our human greed
You walk among us
Begging for Your every need

Recessional – Christ be Our Light

Bernadette Farrell

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

***Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.***

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed.

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