



**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 School,**

**Temora: 69771011**

### 6th Sunday Yr C, 16th February, 2025

|   | West Wyalong | Ungarie  | Lake         |
|---|--------------|----------|--------------|
| Monday 17th   | No Mass      |          |              |
| Tuesday 18th  | 8am Mass     |          |              |
| Wednesday 19th                                      | 8am Mass     |          |              |
| Thursday 20th                                       | 8am Mass     |          |              |
| Friday 21st <i>St Peter Damian</i>                  | 8am Mass     |          | 11:30am Mass |
| Saturday 22nd <i>The Chair of St Peter, Apostle</i> | No Mass      |          | 6pm Mass     |
| Sunday 23rd <i>7th Sunday Ord Time</i>              | 9:30am Mass  | 8am Mass |              |

*REFLECTION by Nick Brodie, Dean of Academic Studies, Jane Franklin Hall, Hobart*

We cannot be authentic followers of Christ if we adore riches to the neglect of the poor.

Followers of Jesus, Pope Francis reflects, 'do not find their joy in money, power, or other material goods; but in the gifts they receive every day from God: life, creation, brothers and sisters, and so on.'

In fact, he adds, true disciples of Jesus are 'content to share even the goods they possess, because they live according to the logic of God.'

The Beatitudes, the Pope explains, 'may sound strange, almost incomprehensible to those who are not disciples.' But as challenging as they are, they ultimately 'define the identity of the disciple of Jesus.' For Christians, they are non-negotiable.

What the Beatitudes do, the Pope suggests, is remind us that 'disciples allow themselves to be challenged, aware that it is not God who must enter into our mindset, but we into his.'

'Disciples,' the Pope reminds us, 'in the end, are those who let themselves be led by Jesus, who open their heart to Jesus, who listen to him and follow his path.'

Such a path involves openness to the joys of the present, wherever we may find them. It also involves a readiness and willingness to become Christ's blessing to others.

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## Prayer of the Faithful

Introduction: The psalmist declares that those who hope in the Lord are happy. Let us be happy and place all our needs before God.

### Petitions

We pray for Pope Francis and the leaders of the Church that they will always put God's will before the things of this world. We pray to the Lord.

We pray for the leaders of Australia that they will recognise that the poor will always be with us and accept the responsibility of providing what is necessary for people to live. We pray to the Lord.

We pray for all those who have begun their academic year. May their efforts and vision bring both students and teachers to a valuable way of living. We pray to the Lord.

We pray for the poor, the hungry and those who weep. May they find hope through the love and care of others who help them. We pray to the Lord.

We pray for this community gathered here that we will always be willing to reach out generously to help others in need and be a place of welcome to all. We pray to the Lord.

We pray for those who weep and mourn. May they be consoled with the knowledge that their loved ones are with God and that their pain will be eased. We pray to the Lord.

Conclusion: God of all goodness, you know our needs and hear our call and we have confidence in your goodness as we make this prayer in Jesus' name and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## Collections

The First Collection is for all the Priests in the Archdiocese.

The Second Collection is for our Parish.



### **Pray for our sick:** Gwenda

McConnachie, Dorothy Daniher, 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, Brian Lynch and Shirley Sullivan.

***Jesus, grant spiritual comfort and healing to the sick***

### **Recent Deaths & Anniversaries:**

Tony Galton, Dave Shearer and Lurenza Rowling.

***Mary, Helper of Souls pray for them.***

**World Day of Prayer** is a worldwide movement initiated by Christian women to unite nations through prayer. Its purpose is to facilitate national change and hopes to touch society through prayer and financial assistance. **World Day of Prayer** welcomes you to World Day of Prayer 2025 Service:

**St Mary's Catholic Church, Friday 7th March, 2025 @ 10am**

WORLD DAY OF  
PRAYER  
SERVICE 2025



The Cook Islands

'I made you  
wonderful'

[www.worlddayofprayeraustralia.org](http://www.worlddayofprayeraustralia.org)



St Mary's 2025 Sacramental Program Dates:

### First Reconciliation:

Enrolment and Information  
Session - **Thursday 6th**

**March @ 5pm, St Mary's Church**

Sacrament of Reconciliation - **Wednesday 9th**  
**April @ 5pm, St Mary's Church**

### First Eucharist:

Enrolment and Information  
Session - **Wednesday 21st**

**May @ 5pm, St Mary's Church**

Sacrament of First Eucharist - **Sunday 22nd**  
**June @ 9:30am, St Mary's Church**



1ST READING: Jeremiah 17:5-8

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this:

‘A curse on the man who puts his trust in man,  
who relies on things of flesh,  
whose heart turns from the Lord.

He is like dry scrub in the wastelands:  
if good comes, he has no eyes for it,  
he settles in the parched places of the wilder-  
ness,  
a salt land, uninhabited.

‘A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the  
Lord,

with the Lord for his hope.  
He is like a tree by the waterside  
that thrusts its roots to the stream:  
when the heat comes it feels no alarm,  
its foliage stays green;  
it has no worries in a year of drought,  
and never ceases to bear fruit.’

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

RESP PSALM: Ps 1:1-4. R. Ps 39:5

**(R.) *Happy are they who hope in the Lord.***

1. Happy indeed is the man  
who follows not the counsel of the wicked;  
nor lingers in the way of sinners  
nor sits in the company of scorners,  
but whose delight is the law of the Lord  
and who ponders his law day and night.
2. He is like a tree that is planted  
beside the flowing waters,  
that yields its fruit in due season  
and whose leaves shall never fade;  
and all that he does shall prosper.
3. Not so are the wicked, not so!  
For they like winnowed chaff  
shall be driven away by the wind.  
For the Lord guards the way of the just  
but the way of the wicked leads to doom.

2ND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Co-  
rinthians

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been  
preached, how can some of you be saying that  
there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead  
are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if

Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins.  
And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ  
have perished. If our hope in Christ has been for this  
life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people.

But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the  
first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

ACCLAMATION: Luke 6:23

***Alleluia, alleluia!***

***Rejoice and be glad;***

***your reward is great in heaven.***

***Alleluia!***

GOSPEL: Luke 6:17. 20-26

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a  
piece of level ground where there was a large gath-  
ering of his disciples with a great crowd of people  
from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and  
from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had  
come to hear him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing his eyes on his disciples he said:

‘How happy are you who are poor: yours is the  
kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now: you shall be  
satisfied.

Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

‘Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out,  
abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on ac-  
count of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day  
comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will  
be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors  
treated the prophets.

‘But alas for you who are rich: you are having  
your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now: you shall go  
hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now: you shall mourn and  
weep.

‘Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This  
was the way their ancestors treated the false proph-  
ets.’

The Gospel of the Lord

***Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ***

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**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time Yr C**  
**Processional - Blest Be the Lord** *Dan Schutte*

***Blest be the Lord, blest be the Lord  
The God of mercy, the God who saves  
I shall not fear, the dark of night  
Nor the arrow that flies by day***

He will release me from the nets of sinful men  
He will protect me from their wicked hands  
Beneath the shadow of His wings I will rejoice  
To find a dwelling place secure

I need not shrink before the terrors of the night  
Nor stand alone before the light of day  
No harm shall come to me,  
no arrow strike me down  
No evil settle in my soul

Although a thousand men have fallen at my side  
I'll not be shaken with the Lord at hand  
His faithful love is all the armour that I need  
To wage my battle with the foe

**Offertory - Blessed be our God**  
*Amanda McKenna*

Take this bread, gift and work of human hands,  
Take this wine from this branch of your vine.  
Take our lives as an offering to you,  
God of mercy, singing "Blessed be our  
God!" (x2)

**Reflection – All the Hungry, Come**  
*Beth Doherty*

All the hungry, all the thirsty  
All the righteous, all the broken  
Those who carry heavy burdens  
Come, come, come

All the sinners, all the faithful  
All the fearful, come and be filled  
Those whose cross is hard to carry  
Come, come, come

***For a table has been furnished  
in sight of all your foes.  
The oil of gladness poured out on your wounds  
And your burdens will be taken  
By the One who hears your prayers  
And beauty be restored for all to see***

All the poor and all the rich  
And all the lonely and all the weary  
Those whose days seem overwhelming  
Come, come, come

All who know You, all who seek You  
All of those with no knowledge of You  
Let Your name be praised forever  
Come, come, come

**Recessional – We Are God's Hands**  
*Andrew Chinn*

***We are God's hands, we are God's eyes  
We are the love, the heart of Christ  
Oh Spirit move, our hearts and minds  
That we may see, peace in our time***

May our hands reach out to those  
Who've come across our seas to find a home  
May we reach out across the seas  
To touch the poor, be God's mercy

May we see with open eyes  
And comfort those with lonely lives  
Look all around and see the need  
With eyes of hope, be God's mercy

May our hearts be the love of God  
Bring the love of Christ to one and all  
May our love sow seeds of peace  
And may our hearts, be God's Mercy

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