



**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 Bernadette's Tallimba 1953

St Joseph's Ungarie
Ungarie – Burcher
Parish founded 1931
Present St Joseph's
Church 1978;
Immaculate Heart of
Mary Burcher 1950

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 Acting 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 7-10: **St Anne's Central School,**

Temora: **69771011**

Divine Mercy Sunday Yr B - 7th April, 2024				
		West Wyalong	Ungarie	Lake
Monday 8th	<i>Annunciation</i>	8am Mass		
Tuesday 9th		8am Mass		
Wednesday 10th		8am Mass		
Thursday 11th	<i>St Stanislaus</i>	8am Mass		
Friday 12th		8am Mass		11:30am Mass
Saturday 13th		No Mass		6pm Mass
Sunday 14th	<i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i>	9:30am Mass	8am Mass	

Fr Dom's Gospel Reflection:

In 2002, Pope John Paul II said, "*Peace be with you!*" This is how Jesus greets his Apostles in the Gospel for this Sunday, that closes the Octave of Easter. At this time this greeting has a *special impact* on our hearts on account of the worrisome continuation of the clashes in the Holy Land. This is the reason why I asked all the children of the Church to offer today a simultaneous and insistent prayer for peace.... The liturgy today invites *us to see in Divine Mercy* the source of that authentic peace that the risen Christ offers us. The wounds of the risen and glorious Lord are *the permanent sign of God's merciful love for humanity*. From them flows a spiritual light that enlightens consciences and pours into hearts comfort and hope" (Regina Caeli, April 7).

"When, on one occasion, my confessor told me to ask the Lord Jesus the meaning of the two rays in the image [of Divine Mercy], I answered, "Very well, I will ask the Lord." During prayer I head these words within me: **The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls....** These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross. These rays shield souls from the wrath of My Father. Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him. I desire that the first Sunday after Easter be the Feast of Mercy" (*Diary of Sister Faustina Kowalska*, n. 299).

Pray for our sick:

Gwenda
McConnachie,
Dorothy Daniher, Helen Mal-
ligan, Lyn Kelle-
her (nee Mi-
nos), Paddy
Doughan, Geoff
Funnell, Noel
Pettit, Pat Ma-
son, Fiona
Frame, Liz
Jones, Greg
Withers, Marie
McKenzie,
Katrina John-
ston, Peter
Campbell,
Geoff Collins,
Barry Cooper,
Steve Herridge,
Mary Turner,
Sarah Pettit,
Archie Bone-
ham, Lesley
Wright, June
Worner,
Lurensa Rowl-
ing, Brian
Lynch and
Shirley Sullivan.

***Jesus, grant
spiritual com-
fort and heal-
ing to the sick***

Recent Deaths

**& Anniver-
saries:**

Emeritus Arch-
bishop Francis
Carroll, Kevin
Brown, Doro-
thy Freeman
and Francis
King.

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



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kets.

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erosity.

EASTER MESSAGE 2024 Pope Francis

Dear brothers and sisters, Happy Easter!

Today throughout the world there resounds the message proclaimed two thousand years ago from Jerusalem: "Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified, has been raised!" (*Mk 16:6*).

The Church relives the amazement of the women who went to the tomb at dawn on the first day of the week. The tomb of Jesus had been sealed with a great stone. Today too, great stones, heavy stones, block the hopes of humanity: the stone of war, the stone of humanitarian crises, the stone of human rights violations, the stone of human trafficking, and other stones as well. Like the women disciples of Jesus, we ask one another: "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" (cf. *Mk 16:3*).

This is the amazing discovery of that Easter morning: the stone, the immense stone, was rolled away. The astonishment of the women is our astonishment as well: the tomb of Jesus is open and it is empty! From this, everything begins anew! A new path leads through that empty tomb: the path that none of us, but God alone, could open: the path of life in the midst of death, the path of peace in the midst of war, the path of reconciliation in the midst of hatred, the path of fraternity in the midst of hostility.

Brothers and sisters, Jesus Christ is risen! He alone has the power to roll away the stones that block the path to life. He, the living One, is himself that path. He is the Way: the way that leads to life, the way of peace, reconciliation and fraternity. He opens that path, humanly impossible, because he alone takes away the sin of the world and forgives us our sins. For without God's forgiveness, that stone cannot be removed. Without the forgiveness of sins, there is no overcoming the barriers of prejudice, mutual recrimination, the presumption that we are always right and others wrong. Only the risen Christ, by granting us the forgiveness of our sins, opens the way for a renewed world.

Jesus alone opens up before us the doors of life, those doors that continually we shut with the wars spreading throughout the world. Today we want, first and foremost, to turn our eyes to the Holy City of Jerusalem, that witnessed the mystery of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, and to all the Christian communities of the Holy Land.

May the risen Christ open a path of hope to all those across the world who are suffering from violence, conflict, food insecurity and the effects of climate change. May the Lord grant consolation to the victims of terrorism in all its forms. Let us pray for all those who have lost their lives and implore the repentance and conversion of the perpetrators of those crimes.

May the light of the resurrection illumine our minds and convert our hearts, and make us aware of the value of every human life, which must be welcomed, protected and loved.

A happy Easter to all!

For the full version visit: <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/urbi/documents/20240331-urbi-et-orbi-pasqua.html>

1ST READING: Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESP PSALM: Ps 117:2-4. 15-18. 22-24. R. v.1

(R.) Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

1. Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'
Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.' (R.)
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.
I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die. (R.)
3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. (R.)

2ND READING: 1 John 5:1-6

A reading from the first letter of St John

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith.

Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with

water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness – since the Spirit is the truth.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

ACCLAMATION: John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

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