



**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

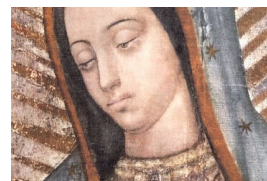
Our Lady of Guadalupe Pray for us

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*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,**

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### Divine Mercy Sunday Yr C, 27th April, 2025

		West Wyalong	Ungarie	Lake
Monday 28th	<i>St Peter Chanel</i>	No Mass		
Tuesday 29th	<i>St Catherine of Siena</i>	No Mass		
Wednesday 30th	<i>St Pius V</i>	No Mass		
Thursday 1st	<i>St Joseph the</i>	No Mass		
Friday 2nd	<i>St Athanasius</i>	No Mass		
Saturday 3rd	<i>Sts Philip &amp; James</i>	No Mass		6pm Mass
Sunday 4th	<i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i>	9:30am Mass	8am Mass	

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The late Pope Francis said that when we feel 'like Thomas, with the same doubts ... we do not need to be ashamed of this.' We can all have moments of uncertainty. Importantly, the other Apostles never rejected or harassed Thomas; rather, they accompanied him.

The story of Thomas shows us that it is healthy to acknowledge our struggles. As the Pope put it, 'Christians who never doubt and always flaunt a steadfast faith' tend to make him think that 'something isn't right.' Pope Francis went on, 'the adventure of faith, as for Thomas, consists of lights and shadows. Otherwise, what kind of faith would that be?'

Now, generations later, we recall Thomas' doubt because it has much to teach us. 'Crises are not sins,' the Pope explained, 'they are part of the journey, we should not fear them.'

Pope Francis encouraged us to recognise such moments as opportunities for grace. 'Crises help us to recognise that we are needy,' he suggests, because 'they rekindle the need for God and thus enable us to return to the Lord.' And, as the story of Thomas so clearly shows, Jesus meets us where we are in our journey of faith; he does not expect us to resolve every doubt on our own before encountering him.

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### ***Prayers of the Faithful Divine Mercy Sunday, 2025***

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers, in the faith of Thomas the Apostle who recognised Jesus as his Lord and God, we hold Pope Francis up to God, that he may live forever in the Father's home.

May Pope Francis, with his life's work faithfully completed, enter fully into the mystery of the Resurrection of Jesus. Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

May the whole Church, mourning the death of Pope Francis, be comforted with the gift of hope, knowing that God will soon give us a new shepherd. Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

May the cardinals, gathering to elect a successor to Pope Francis, be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit and, in the Conclave, each follow his own conscience with serenity. Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

May all who were particularly loved by Pope Francis, the poor and prisoners, those trapped in wars and violence and those alienated from the Church, treasure his memory with hope. Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

May the Jubilee of Teenagers, taking place this weekend in Rome, enable them to find in Pope Francis an example of compassion and faith to inspire them through life. Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

May the Jubilee of People with Disabilities, to be celebrated on Monday, bring them hope as they reflect upon the example of Pope Francis, who carried his sufferings with patience and dignity. Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

May this final week of the Federal Election Campaign enable voters to reflect seriously upon the issues so that they vote with a good and thoughtful conscience. Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

May all who have died alone, in fear or in pain be received by the risen Christ into the joyful home of the Father. Lord hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Father, as we recall the presence of the risen Jesus with Thomas and the other apostles, so may Jesus be with your Church today as we mourn the death of Pope Francis, as we also give thanks for his ministry of tenderness, carried out with wisdom. Through Christ our Lord. ***Amen.***

**Pray for our sick:** Gwenda McConnachie, Paddy Doughan, Noel Pettit, Pat Mason, Fiona Frame, Liz Jones, Greg Withers, Marie McKenzie, Peter Campbell, Geoff Collins, Barry Cooper, 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:** Martin Kelleher, Dorothy Daniher, Steve Heridge, Tony Galton, Dave Shearer and Lurensa Rowling.

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

Project Compassion Boxes can now be returned and added to the 2nd Collection baskets.

Thanks in advance for your continued generosity.

ANZAC DAY, 2025

GOD OF JOY AND HOPE,

THANK YOU FOR THE PEACE AND FREEDOM WE ENJOY IN THIS COUNTRY.

THESE ARE GREAT BLESSINGS FROM YOUR HAND.

HELP US NOT TO TAKE THESE FOR GRANTED.

THANK YOU FOR THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO GAVE THEMSELVES TO PROTECT OUR COUNTRY.

THANK YOU FOR THOSE IN OUR DEFENCE FORCES WHO CONTINUE TO DO THE SAME.

HELP US TODAY TO REMEMBER THEIR SERVICE AND SACRIFICE.

THANK YOU THAT JESUS HAS SET A DAY WHEN THERE WILL BE NO MORE WAR, NO MORE FIGHTING, NO MORE SUFFERING, NO MORE DEATH.

WE LONG FOR THAT DAY AND PRAY FOR HIS RETURN.

AMEN.



1ST READING: Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

The word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

RESP PSALM: Ps 117:2-4. 22-27. 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 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.)
3. O Lord, grant us salvation;  
O Lord grant success.  
Blessed in the name of the Lord  
is he who comes.  
We bless you from the house of the Lord;  
the true God is our light. (R.)

2ND READING: Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I

was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

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 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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## **Divine Mercy Sunday 2025**

### **Processional - Sing A New Song**

*Dan Schutte*

***Sing a new song unto the Lord;  
Let your song be sung from mountains high  
Sing a new song unto the Lord  
Singing alleluia***

Yahweh's people dance for joy  
O come before the Lord  
And play for him on glad tambourines  
And let your trumpet sound

Rise, O children, from your sleep;  
Your Saviour now has come  
He has turned your sorrow to joy  
And filled your soul with song

Glad my soul for I have seen  
The glory of the Lord  
The trumpet sounds, the dead shall be raised  
I know my saviour lives

### **Offertory - In the Breaking of the Bread**

*Bob Hurd*

***In the breaking of the bread  
We have known Him; we have been fed.  
Jesus the stranger, Jesus the Lord,  
Be our companion, be our hope.***

Once I was helpless, sad and confused  
Darkness surrounded me, courage removed  
And then I saw Him, by my side  
Carry my burdens, open my eyes.

There is no sorrow, pain or woe  
There is no suffering, He did not know  
He did not waver, He did not bend  
He is the victor, He is my friend.

### **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 – Glory and Praise To Our God**

*Dan Schutte*

***Glory and praise to our God  
Who alone gives light to our days  
Many are the blessings He bears  
To those who trust in His ways***

We the daughters and sons of Him  
Who built the valleys and plains  
Praise the wonders our God has done  
In every heart that sings

In His wisdom He strengthens us  
Like gold that's tested in fire  
Though the power of sin prevails  
Our God is there to save

God has watered our barren land  
and spent his merciful rain.  
Now the rivers of life run full  
for anyone to drink.

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