



**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: 6898 1611;** <https://sfxlake.nsw.edu.au/>

Continuing Catholic Schooling or High School Yrs 7-12: **St Anne's Central School, Temora: 69771011**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday 5th June 2026

		West Wyalong	Ungarie	Lake
Monday 6th	<i>St Maria Goretti</i>	No Mass		
Tuesday 7th	<i>Blessed Peter To Rot</i>	No Mass		
Wednesday 8th		8am Mass		
Thursday 9th	<i>St Augustine Zhao Rong</i>	8am Mass & 10am Masonic Village Mass		
Friday 10th		No Mass		No Mass
Saturday 11th	<i>St Benedict</i>			6pm Mass
Sunday 12th	<i>15th Sunday Ord Time</i>	9:30am Mass	8am Mass	

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday.

As we gather in faith, we do so as a people shaped by story — by the Gospel, by culture, and by the journeys that have brought us to this moment. We gather in the presence of God, who walks with us always, and who calls us into unity as one people. We mark 40 years since St Pope John Paul II spoke to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples in Alice Springs, and we celebrate 50 years of NAIDOC Week. These milestones are more than anniversaries — they are reminders of enduring faith, resilience, and our shared call to walk together. At times, it is important to look back. Not to dwell in the past, but to recognise the path that has been travelled — to see the strength, the challenges, and the grace that have carried us forward. Our theme, ***Walking Together in Christ: 40 Years On!***, calls us to continue the journey with humility and hope - listening deeply, and walking side by side as one Body in Christ, guided by the Holy Spirit. Across this land, the Church is enriched by the cultures and voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. Their spirituality, connection to Country, and deep sense of community continue to shape and strengthen the life of the Church in Australia. As St Pope John Paul II reminded us, the Church is enriched by the many cultures it embraces. This is not something we simply acknowledge — it is something we are called to live. Today's Liturgy is an invitation to listen to, reflect, and to encounter Christ in one another. Wherever you are gathered may this celebration be a moment of grace. May it renew our hearts, deepen our unity, and strengthen our commitment to walk together in faith.



We acknowledge the Wiradjuri peoples who are the traditional owners of the land where we gather today. We pay respects to their elders past and present and to the memory of their ancestors. We acknowledge that they have occupied and cared for this land over countless generations and we celebrate their continuing contribution to the life of our region. We also extend our respect to all Aboriginal peoples living in our community.

Pray for our sick: Clare Devaney, Fr Paul Kumasaka, Maureen, 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: Sr Marie Jean RSM, Patricia Smith, Joanne Cairns, Neale Daniher OAM, Ray Connellan, Irene Schmidt, Norma O'Neill, Maurice Doughan and Greg Brereton. **Mary, Helper of Souls pray for them.**

2026 Parish Assembly Findings

Our parishes are welcoming, inclusive and create community

Our Catholic school is our parish jewel and a source of great joy and pride

School Masses - exceptional singing, reverence and participation creating a moving liturgical experience

Our parish is wonderfully supported by selfless volunteers

Parishioners are actively serving the wider community

Fr Hilary's Baptisms are joyous

Let's strive to include all our diverse parishioners in ministries - reading, offertory gifts, collections, music and serving

PIC-COLLAGES



It is the time of year for our annual Vinnies Winter Appeal to think of the less fortunate in our community.

If you are able, please donate to our Appeal via the envelopes at the Church or by dropping into your local St Vincent de Paul Store.

You can also donate online :

[Vinnies Winter Appeal](#)

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

In Celebration of Your Silver Jubilee of Ordination



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Everyone is warmly invited to attend a morning tea at St Mary's Parish Centre on Sunday 26th July to celebrate Fr Hilary's Silver Jubilee mile-

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Priest/Leader: Gathered on ancient land, we bring our prayers to God who calls us to walk together in Christ — in faith, in hope, and in love.

1. For the Church: For Pope Leo, our bishops, and all who serve the Church — may they walk with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics in a spirit of respect, listening, and shared faith. Let us pray to the Lord.
2. For our Church: For our Church — may we continue to be guided by the words of St Pope John Paul II, spoken in Alice Springs forty years ago, to recognise and receive the gifts of First Nations Peoples. Let us pray to the Lord.
3. For justice and compassion: For Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples who face challenges in health, education, and housing — may we respond with compassion, commitment, and Gospel action. Let us pray to the Lord.
4. For First Nations Peoples: For NAIDOC marking 50 years this year — may Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples be strengthened in their identity and culture and be fully welcomed in the life of the Church. Let us pray to the Lord.
5. For those who are struggling: For those who are burdened or in any need — may they find rest in Jesus who invites all who are weary to come to Him, and support from those around them. Let us pray to the Lord.
6. For our Elders and those who have died: For our Elders and others who have died — we give thanks for those who have shared their wisdom and faith with us. May they be honoured among us, and rest in God's peace. Let us pray to the Lord.

Priest/Leader: Loving God, you call us to walk together in faith and unity. Hear these prayers and guide us in your ways. Through Christ our Lord.

Parish Safeguarding Commitment

The Western Mission is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to, and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all our thinking and action. If you have any concerns, please contact; Parish Safeguarding Officers: Sue Buttenshaw & Louise Daniher.

Email: wyalongwest.safeguarding@cg.org.au

The Manager for the Archdiocese's Institute for Professional Standards and Safeguarding, Maria Hicks, can be contacted at ipss@cg.org.au.

1st READING: Zechariah 9:9-10

A reading from the prophet Zechariah

The Lord says this:

'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion!
Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!

See now, your king comes to you;
he is victorious, he is triumphant,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will banish chariots from Ephraim
and horses from Jerusalem;
the bow of war will be banished.
He will proclaim peace for the nations.
His empire shall stretch from sea to sea,
from the River to the ends of the earth.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESP PSALM: Psalm 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14 R. v.1

**(R.) I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God.**

1. I will give you glory, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever.
I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures.
3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God.
4. The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down.

2nd READING: Romans 8:9.11-13

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made

his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION: See Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;

you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:25-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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14th Sunday Yr A

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 – Like A Shepherd *Bob Dufford*

***Like a shepherd he feeds his flock
and gathers the lambs in his arms,
holding them carefully close to his heart,
leading them home.***

Say to the cities of Judah
Prepare the way of the Lord
Go to the mountain top
Lift your voice, Jerusalem
Here is your God

I myself will shepherd them
For others have led them astray
The lost I will rescue and heal their wounds
And pasture them, giving them rest

Come unto me
If you are heavily burdened
And take my yoke upon your shoulders
I will give you rest

Reflection – Come to Me *Jay Stocker*

Come to Me right now
If you're burdened down
Come to Me and I will give you rest
For your weary soul, I will ease your load
Come to Me

You have laboured much
Felt like giving up
Come to Me and I will give you rest
Turn your eyes this way, I am your escape
Come to Me
(Repeat Verse 1 & 2)

Recessional - Go Now in Peace

Kevin Keil

Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace together
May the spirit of Christ embrace your life
Go now in peace my friends

Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace together
As you journey each day,
May God guide your way
Go now in peace my friends

Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace together
May you witness to Christ
through deeds that you do
Go now in peace my friends

Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace together
Now break open God's word,
good news ever heard
Go now in peace my friends
Go now in peace my friends

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*"The silence of the bush taught you a quietness of soul that put you in touch
with another world, the world of God's Spirit."*

- St. Pope John Paul II in his address to Aboriginal and
Torres Strait Islander Peoples – Alice Springs 1986