



**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;

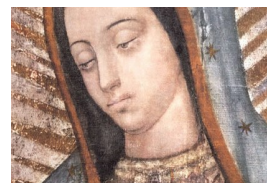
Our Lady of Lourdes
Lake Cargelligo-Tullibigeal
Parish founded 1923.
Present Church 1957;
St Isidore's Tullibigeal;
St FX School
Christ The King Chapel,
Bolo, 2008

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

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

23rd Sunday, 6th September 2026

	West Wyalong	Ungarie	Lake
Monday 7th	No Mass		
Tuesday 8th <i>Nativity of BVM</i>	8am Mass		
Wednesday 9th <i>St Peter Claver</i>	8am Mass		
Thursday 10th	8am Mass, 10am Waratah Village Mass		
Friday 11th	No Mass		11:30am Mass
Saturday 12th			6pm Mass
Sunday 13th <i>24th Sunday Ord Time</i>	9:30am Mass	8am Mass	

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It is difficult for leaders to call people to accountability. Such is the unenviable responsibility of pastors in the parish, coordinators of religious education, members of the parish council, principals in the school, directors of liturgical ministry, to name but a few. Disciples must also engage in the very difficult process of reconciliation. Differences of opinion, misunderstandings, and actual offences tend to alienate people. We see this happen in families, neighbourhoods, parish communities, workplaces. It is not enough to say that we must try to forgive from our hearts. The process of reconciliation requires significant movement toward the admission of guilt as well. Both the one offended and the offender must be willing to be transformed.

Gathering two or three together in prayerful collaboration is not as easy as it sounds. If collaboration is to be effective, we have to be open and honest about our opinions and our biases, and respectful of the opinions and biases of others. We must work for the common good and not merely for what we personally think is best. We must be willing to accept and implement decisions with which we may not totally agree, and we must live with them gracefully. All of this calls for unselfish love. Love fulfils the entire law only: when we honour our personal commitments and the personal commitments of others; when we value the life, dignity and reputation of others; and when we respect their possessions. It is only because love is so demanding that it covers all of our responsibilities.

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 Cruickshank, 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: Gary Peterson, Cecilia Irvine, Fr Troy Bobbin, 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.**

Prayer of the Faithful 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Celebrant: Sisters and brothers, gathered in the name of Jesus we know that he is with us, and so we can be confident in our prayer, especially as we mark this Fathers' Day.

1. May Pope Leo, whom we honour with the title, Holy Father, continue to be a strong voice for the dignity of every person, a champion for peace, dedicated to the unity of the Church. Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.

2. May this 'Season of Creation', which runs through September, unite us in the prayer intention of Pope Leo this month: "For a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it." Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.

3. May fathers and father-figures receive blessings from God this day, be confident in their role, receive respect from their children, and be supported in their needs. Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.

4. May fathers who live in the distressing situations of war, refugee camps and prisons, or unable to care for their families because of poverty, sickness or separation, that our prayer will sustain them in hope. Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.

5. May the people on the border of Nepal and Tibet, distraught by the glacial ice, rock and mud flood, be sustained in their need and receive the international support so urgently needed. Lord, hear us. Lord, hear our prayer.

6. May all departed fathers across the world, along with all who died in the Nepal-Tibet tragedy enter the heavenly Father's eternal home. Lord, hear us. Lord hear our prayer.

Celebrant: Almighty God, who sent your Son among us as the source of reconciliation, give us the grace to be at peace in our families and communities, in our nation and across the globe. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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



Father's Day Appeal – Collection for our 22 retired priests: Please give generously to the **Father's Day Appeal** conducted at all Masses this weekend. Donations can be made at www.cgatholic.org.au/donate or you could call Financial Services on 6239 9876 to donate over the phone.

St Mary's PFC wishes to thank the St Mary's Ball Committee for their generous donation to the Parish following the successful 2026 Catholic Ball.



Expressions of interest are being sought for the formation of a new Ball Committee for 2027. If anyone is interested or would like to find out more information, please contact Cassie Geddes.

A reminder that there will be morning tea after Mass today in the Catherine McAuley Parish Centre, West Wyalong.

Scheduled Power Outage



There will be a scheduled blackout next Sunday 13th September, interrupting supply to Church St, West Wyalong.

9:30am Sunday Mass at St Mary's will go ahead as usual however, it will be a 'quiet Mass' with no music, microphones, heating or lights.

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: Ezekiel 33:7-9

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESP PSALM: Ps 94:1-2.6-9. R. v.8

**(R.) O that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts.**

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
2. Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
3. O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my
work.' (R.)

2nd READING: Romans 13:8-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION: 2 Corinthians 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

**God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.**

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:15-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

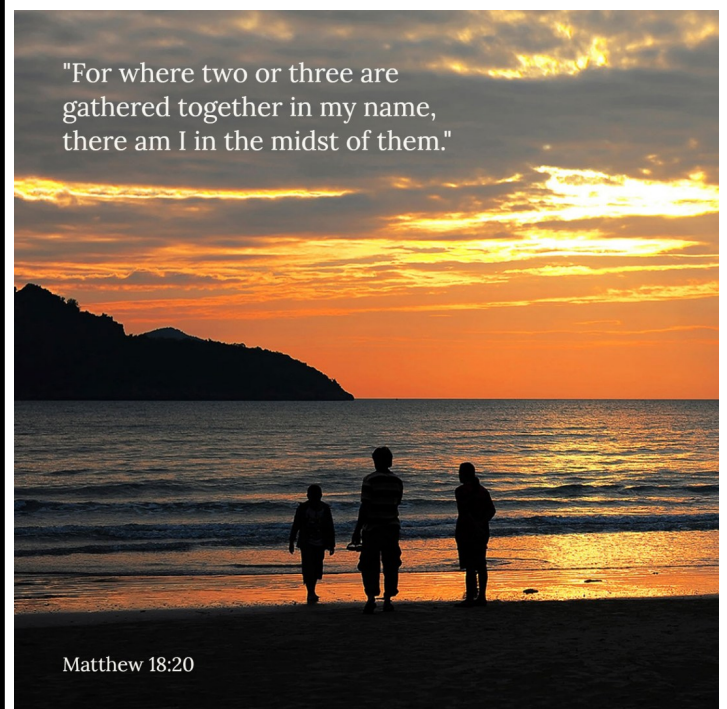
Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



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23rd 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 – We Gather At Your Table

Andrew Chinn

***We come to your table now
With gifts of bread and wine
We gather at your table now
With these gifts of our lives***

This bread that we bring
We offer now to You
It will be Your Body
A gift of love from You

This wine that we bring
We offer now to You
It will be Your Blood
A gift of love from You

Our lives that we bring
We offer now to You
May we be nourished
Through this gift of love from You

Reflection – Where Two or Three are Gathered

Liam Lawton

***Here in the bread that is broken
Here in the cup that is poured
Here in the word that is spoken
Jesus Christ is Lord
Here where the poor find their treasure
Here where the greatest are least
Come find a love beyond measure
In this heavenly feast***

Where two or three are gathered
Gathered in my name
I come with words of comfort
To ease your hurt and shame

Where two or three are gathered
I am there as well
Inviting my disciples
In perfect love to dwell

Where two or three are gathered
I am there with you
I lead you into freedom
My path is safe and true

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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