



**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;

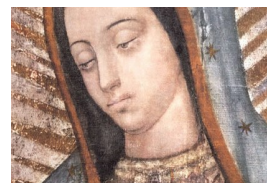
Our Lady of Lourdes
Lake Cargelligo-Tullibigeal
Parish founded 1923.
Present Church 1957;
St Isidore's Tullibigeal;
St FX School
Christ The King Chapel,
Bolo, 2008

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**

24th Sunday, 13th September 2026

		West Wyalong	Ungarie	Lake
Monday 14th	<i>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>	No Mass		
Tuesday 15th	<i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	8am Mass		
Wednesday 16th	<i>Sts Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian</i>	8am Mass, 12pm Yr 5/6 Class Mass		
Thursday 17th	<i>St Hildegard of Bingen</i>	8am Mass		
Friday 18th		No Mass		11:30am Mass
Saturday 19th	<i>St Januarius</i>			6pm Mass
Sunday 20th	<i>25th Sunday Ord Time</i>	9:30am Mass	8am Mass	

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A distinctive feature of the teachings of Jesus is his exhortation to forgive. Very explicit about this, Jesus left us his own example by forgiving his executioners while he hung dying on the cross. Until recently we thought that forgiveness begins with the offender repenting of the offence and then asking for pardon. Today many maintain that reconciliation must begin with the one offended offering forgiveness. This willingness to forgive transforms a victim into a survivor. Such magnanimity might then touch the heart of the offender, who may thus be transformed from being an offender to becoming a friend. If God has been so generous in forgiving us, surely we should be generous in forgiving others. The process of becoming a forgiving person takes time. For some, it may take a lifetime. Only little by little are our pettiness and indignation reduced and our desire to strike back diminished. Still, as disciples, we are expected to give the forgiveness that we have been given.

Such forgiveness does not provide an easy way out for offenders, for ultimately justice will prevail. If we remain untransformed by God's forgiveness of us, we will be liable to judgment. Our unwillingness to forgive can eat away at us, and we can carry hurts from childhood far into adult years. Forgiving others, as difficult as that may be, is in the long run much easier than bearing the weight of resentfulness, vindictiveness and unresolved frustration. When we forgive we truly begin to be healed.

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.***



Father's Day Appeal – Collection for retired priests:

The Archdiocesan Clergy Retirement Foundation thanks everyone who contributed so generously this year. The average age of our retired clergy is 84 with 6 in their 90's and one celebrating 100 in November. These good men are so grateful, your generosity will be remembered in their daily prayers.

For those still wishing to donate, envelopes are available in the church foyer and can be left either with the weekend collection or posted to the Foundation Office. Donations can also be made at www.cgatholic.org.au/donate

On behalf of the 22 retired priests of this Archdiocese, thank you for your generosity, prayers and thoughtfulness.

Prayer of the Faithful 24th Sunday, 2026

Introduction: God's mercy toward us is without limit. Trusting in God's compassion and forgiveness, let us bring our needs as we pray:

For Pope Leo and all leaders of the Church. May they faithfully guide the Church in the ways of reconciliation and peace, that they be ready to ask for forgiveness in humility and to forgive graciously as they bear witness to the Gospel of Christ. (Pause) We pray to the Lord.

We pray for the political and economic leaders of all nations. That they promote peace and harmony between peoples, especially in places of war and injustice where defenceless children are particularly vulnerable. (Pause) We pray to the Lord.

On this Safeguarding Sunday, we pray for the those who have experienced abuse and have felt abandoned by the Church. May we humbly seek forgiveness, be attentive to their pain, and work diligently to bring peace and healing to their lives. (Pause) We pray to the Lord.

For all places of conflict and injustice in our world. Especially where the innocent and vulnerable are abused and taken advantage of. We pray that God's love shine through the witness of the Church. (Pause) We pray to the Lord.

For the community gathered here today, that it may be a place of healing and reconciliation and a truly safe place for all. (Pause) We pray to the Lord.

For all who have died. That they experience the fullness of God's infinite mercy and be received into the loving arms of our Lord. (Pause) We pray to the Lord.

Conclusion: God of mercy and compassion, you never tire of forgiving those who turn to you. Hear the prayers we offer today and help us to live as people of reconciliation and harmony, through the power of the Holy Spirit and in the name of Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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 Batten-shaw & 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: Sirach 27:30 – 28:7

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

Resentment and anger, these are foul things,
and both are found with the sinner.

He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord,

who keeps strict account of sin.

Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you,
and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

If a man nurses anger against another,
can he then demand compassion from the Lord?

Showing no pity for a man like himself,
can he then plead for his own sins?

Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment;
who will forgive him his sins?

Remember the last things, and stop hating,
remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments.

Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will;

remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESP PSALM: Ps 102:1-4. 9-12. R. v.8

(R.) The Lord is kind and merciful;

slow to anger and rich in compassion.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. (R.)
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. (R.)
3. His wrath will come to an end;
he will not be angry for ever.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults. (R.)
4. For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins. (R.)

2nd READING: Romans 14:7-9

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came

to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION: John 13:34

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:21-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time," he said "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me", he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said. "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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24th Sunday Yr A

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 sin-
ful 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

Offertory – A New Commandment

A new commandment I give unto you

That you love one another

As I have loved you,

That you love one another as I have
loved you.

By this shall people know that you are
my disciples

If you have love one for another

By this shall people know that you are
my disciples

If you have love one for another.

Reflection – Love the Lord *Jay Stocker*

Love the Lord your God

With all your heart, with all your soul

Love the Lord your God

With all your mind, with all your strength

And love others as you would love your-
self

And love others as you would love your-
self

Recessional - Strong and Constant

Fr Frank Anderson

I will be Yahweh who walks with you.

You will be always within my hand.

Take your heart and give it all to me

Strong and constant is my love

Strong and constant is my love

Should you wander far away from me

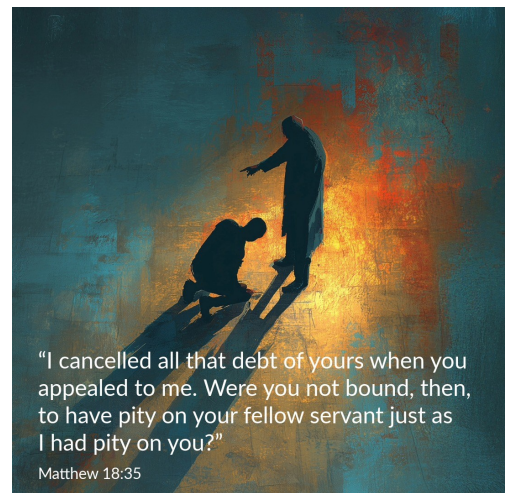
I will search for you in every land.

Should you call, then you will truly know,

When you know sorrow within your life,

I will come, I will embrace your heart.

Through your pain you will discover me



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