



**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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### 3rd Sunday of Easter Yr C, 4th May, 2025

	West Wyalong	Ungarie	Lake
Monday 5th	No Mass		
Tuesday 6th	No Mass		
Wednesday 7th	No Mass		
Thursday 8th	No Mass		
Friday 9th	No Mass		
Saturday 10th <i>St John de Avila</i>	No Mass		6pm Mass
Sunday 11th <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>	9:30am Mass	8am Mass	

### REFLECTION by Nick Brodie, Dean of Academic Studies, Jane Franklin Hall, Hobart

Considering Peter's return to fishing, late Pope Francis reminds us that Peter had long since left it behind to follow Jesus.

The episode shows us how easy it is to return to comfortable routines. 'It can happen to us too', Francis said, 'that, out of tiredness, disappointment, perhaps out of laziness, we forget the Lord and neglect the great choices we have made, to settle for something else.' Each of us faces the temptation to return to our fishing at some point.

But without Jesus in our lives our nets will always feel empty.

Sometimes being busy distracts us from what really matters. Perhaps, Francis said, 'we forget prayer, letting ourselves be wrapped up in our own needs.' Sometimes, he adds, 'we neglect charity, with the excuse of daily urgencies.'

Here Peter's swim is instructive. Professionally, it makes little sense. He reached Jesus first, yes, but had to return to the boat for some fish! Yet, as Francis reminds us, in plunging into the water Peter shows us that 'love goes beyond usefulness, convenience or duty.' Peter swam for joy!

What we might ask ourselves now, then, is: how can I respond to the call: 'It is the Lord!' Dare we dive in and swim, like Peter, and 'put out to sea again with Jesus'?

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### ***Prayer of the Faithful, Third Sunday of Easter, 2025***

As we gather here today, we know that even after the blackest of nights, joy comes to us through the Spirit offering replenishment and renewal; and so, in faith let us now present our needs to God.

We pray for Pope Francis. With his life's work completed, may he enter fully into the mystery of the Resurrection of Jesus. We pray to the Lord.

We pray for all 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. We pray to the Lord.

We pray for the leaders of all nations, that guided by God's wisdom and compassion, they can resolve their differences for the benefit of all peoples of the world. We pray to the Lord.

We pray for farmers and local communities dependent on autumn rain. May the gift of abundant rain replenish all drought affected areas. We pray to the Lord.

We pray for our community that we can be inspired by God's grace and encouragement, particularly during this Easter season and jubilee year, to develop new relationships with our neighbours from other faiths. We pray to the Lord.

We pray for those who are suffering from the effects of violent conflict or from climate change. May their cries for help be heard by others and may they be given the help and solace they need, graced with compassion. We pray to the Lord.

Conclusion: Loving Father, as we are replenished and renewed with your grace today, we are confident that our needs will be answered through the guidance of the Spirit, in the name of 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.***

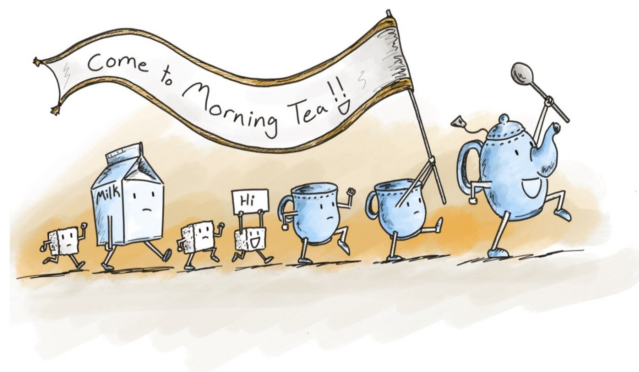
Project Compassion Boxes can now be returned and added to the 2nd Collection baskets.

Thanks in advance for your continued generosity.

## *Welcome*

Welcome to Fr Xavier Francis from Tumut and Fr George Areeckal from Galong who are filling in for Fr Hilary while he is on annual leave.

Fr Hilary will return for weekend masses on Friday 16th May.



All parishioners are invited to morning tea following the first Sunday of the month Mass in the Catherine McAuley Parish Centre, West Wyalong.

1ST READING: Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32. 40-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

RESP PSALM: Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2

***(R.) I will praise you, Lord,  
for you have rescued me.***

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me  
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.  
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,  
restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.
2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,  
give thanks to his holy name.  
His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.  
At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.
3. The Lord listened and had pity.  
The Lord came to my help.  
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;  
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.

2ND READING: Revelation 5:11-14

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

The word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

ACCLAMATION:

***Alleluia, alleluia!***

***Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation;  
he has shown pity on all people.***

***Alleluia!***

GOSPEL: John 21:1-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied, 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.

*'I tell you most solemnly,  
when you were young  
you put on your own belt  
and walked where you liked;  
but when you grow old  
you will stretch out your hands,  
and somebody else will put a belt round you  
and take you where you would rather not go.'*

In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me.'

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

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**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Easter 2025**

**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 - Come Do This In Memory Of Me**

*John Burland*

This is my body that’s broken for you

Come do this in memory of me

This is my blood that’s been given for you

Come do this in memory of me

***To my table you will come***

***And share this meal that makes us one***

***This gift of love I leave always with you***

***In the blessing of this bread***

***In the blessing of this wine***

***Remember me, my life poured out for you***

Listen to my Word and then you will hear

Come do this in memory of me

Gather as one and remember I’m near

Come do this in memory of me

Carry the Good News to all of the earth

Come do this in memory of me

Shine as my light so that others may see

Come do this in memory of me

**Reflection – Two Were Bound for Emmaus**

*Bob Hurd*

***Two were bound for Emmaus***

***Disheartened and lost***

***All their hope for the future***

***Had been nailed to a cross***

***Love unknown then walked beside them***

***Come back from the dead***

***And they knew he was risen***

***In the breaking of bread***

On the Sea of Tiberius

When the night was nearly gone

And their toil seemed so useless

Not one fish had they caught

From the shore the stranger called to them

“Cast your net friends once more”

And they filled it to bursting

But the net was not torn

Then they knew it was Jesus

And they hastened in to shore

Bread and fish for their breakfast

From the hands of their Lord

“O Peter, if you love me

You must care for my sheep,

If you follow your Shepherd,

Then a shepherd you’ll be”

When the road makes us weary

When our labour seems but lost

When the fire of faith weakens

And too high seems the cost

Let the Church turn to its risen Lord

Who for us bore the cross

And we’ll find our hearts burning

At the sound of his voice

**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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