

# Parish of St Mary & St Joseph

Orange

# Parish of the Sacred Heart & St Lawrence O'Toole

Molong

St Mary's (Orange), St Joseph's (Orange), Sacred Heart (Molong), St Michael's (Manildra),  
St Brendan's (Mullion Creek), St Patrick's (Cargo), St Columbanus' (Cudal)

Third Sunday of Easter - 15th April 2018

## PARISH TEAM

<b>Fr Greg Bellamy</b>	Parish Priest
<b>Fr Pius Khaoya</b>	Assistant Priest
<b>Diep Nguyen</b>	Seminarian
<b>Michael O'Mara</b>	Business Manager
<b>Sr Helen Saunders rsj</b>	Pastoral Assistant Orange
<b>Sr Frances McAleer rsj</b>	Resident in Molong
<b>Shannon Cain</b>	Sacramental Coordinator
<b>Joanne Doulman &amp; Deb Cantrill</b>	Parish Secretaries
<b>Elizabeth Bowmer &amp; Jermarnie Orge</b>	Youth Ministers

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## OFFICE HOURS

**Mon:** 10.00am - 4.30pm    **Tues-Fri:** 8.45am - 4.30pm  
**Closed - Lunch: 12.30 - 1.30pm**

*We recognise the Wiradjuri, Gamilaraay and Wailwan peoples as the original custodians of the land on which our Parishes stand.*

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April: Universal: For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters.**

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

**Response to the Psalm:** Lord, let your face shine on us

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

## Reflection

Jesus in today's Gospel teaches His apostles how to interpret the Scriptures.

He tells them that all the Scriptures of what we now call the Old Testament refer to Him. He says that all the promises found in the Old Testament have been fulfilled in His passion, death, and resurrection. And He tells them that these Scriptures foretell the mission of the Church—to preach forgiveness of sins to all the nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

In today's First Reading and Epistle, we see the beginnings of that mission. And we see the apostles interpreting the Scriptures as Jesus taught them to. God has brought to fulfillment what He announced beforehand in all the prophets, Peter preaches. His sermon is shot through with Old Testament images.

He evokes Moses and the exodus, in which God revealed himself as the ancestral God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (see [Exodus 3:6,15](#)). He identifies Jesus as Isaiah's suffering servant who has been glorified (see [Isaiah 52:13](#)).

John, too describes Jesus in Old Testament terms. Alluding to how Israel's priests offered blood sacrifices to atone for the people's sins (see Leviticus 16; Hebrews 9–10), he says that Jesus intercedes for us before God (see [Romans 8:34](#)), and that His blood is a sacrificial expiation for the sins of the world (see [1 John 1:7](#)). Notice that in all three readings, the Scriptures are interpreted to serve and advance the Church's mission—to reveal the truth about Jesus, to bring people to repentance, the wiping away of sins, and the perfection of their love for God. This is how we, too, should hear the Scriptures. Not to know more "about" Jesus, but to truly know Him personally, and to know His plan for our lives.

In the Scriptures, the light of His face shines upon us, as we sing in today's Psalm. We know the wonders He has done throughout history. And we have the confidence to call to Him, and to know that He hears and answers.



**Today's Scripture:** Acts 3:13-15. 17-19; 1 John 2:1-5; Luke 24:35-48

**Next Week's Scripture:** Acts 4:8-12; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

# PARISH NOTICES

## DAY BY DAY

### Monday 16th April

#### 3rd Week of Easter

- 9.00am Liturgy of the Word at Molong
- 9.00am 'Craft with Love'
- 11.00am Requiem Mass Nancy Rodwell St Mary's
- 1.30pm Funeral Prayers Laurence Christopherson Penhalls Chapel
- 5.00-5.40pm Eucharistic Exposition at St Mary's
- 5.45pm Mass St Mary's

### Tuesday 17th April

#### 3rd Week of Easter

- 9.00am Liturgy of the Word at Molong
- 9.10am Rosary at St Mary's
- 9.30am Mass at St Mary's
- 11.00am Funeral Prayers Tracey Thurn St Mary's

### Wednesday 18th April

#### 3rd Week of Easter

- 9.15am Mass St Lawrence Molong, all welcome
- 5.00-5.40pm Eucharistic Exposition at St Joseph's
- 5.45pm Mass at St Joseph
- 7.30pm Liturgy Meeting at Parish Office

### Thursday 19th April

#### 3rd Week of Easter

- 9.10am Rosary at St Joseph's
- 9.30am Mass at St Joseph's
- 11.00am Mass Cherrywood. All welcome
- 6.00pm Holy Hour at St Joseph's

### Friday 20th April

#### 3rd Week of Easter

- 9.00am Liturgy of the Word at Molong
- 5.00-5.40pm Reconciliation at St Joseph's
- 5.00-5.40pm Eucharistic Exposition at St Joseph's
- 5.45pm Mass at St Joseph's

### Saturday 21st April

#### 3rd Week of Easter

- 4.15-4.45pm Reconciliation at St Mary's
- 4.40-4.55pm Reconciliation at Manildra
- 5.00pm Vigil Mass at St Mary's
- 5.00pm Vigil Mass at Manildra

### Sunday 22nd April

#### Fourth Sunday of Easter

- 8.00am Mass Cudal
- 8.00am Mass at St Joseph's
- 9.30am Mass at St Mary's
- 9.30am Mass Molong
- 11.15am Baptisms St Joseph's
- 5.00pm Mass at St Joseph's



## **Anzac Day Mass Wednesday 25th April 8.30am St Joseph's Church Cuppa with Anzac biscuits afterwards**

### **OZ Rosary - Feast of Our Lady of Fatima 13th May 2018**

In recent months countries including Poland and Ireland have held nationwide rosaries across their countries for faith and protection of their nation. A nation-wide Rosary in Australia will take place on Sunday 13th May, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. St Joseph's Church will be one of the locations of this nation-wide rosary, especially giving thanks for the incredible witness to our faith at the installation of the statue of Our Lady of Fatima on 13th October. **13th May at 3.30pm there will be Holy Hour, including Rosary, the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Confessions, and Benediction.**

### **Kairos Outside for Women Weekend at Shalom, Carcoar on 25th - 27th May.**

K.O.W. provides support for any woman who is a relative or friend of a current or former prisoner. It begins with a live-in weekend designed to create a safe and understanding environment in which participants can share with other women who've been through similar experiences. The weekend is free of charge. Fuller details are at <http://kairos.org.au/what-we-do/kairos-outside/> or please contact Berenice on 0429 068 777.

### **Autumn in Orange Fibre Muster**

Saturday 5th May: 10.00am - 4.00pm  
Kenna Hall, Hill St, Orange  
For more information email Clivia Frieden on [clivia01@gmail.com](mailto:clivia01@gmail.com) or call 6361 7702 or email Katrina Jay at [katrina.jay@bigpond.com](mailto:katrina.jay@bigpond.com) or call 6365 1386

### **Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday**

Next Sunday we pray for our seminarians and for more vocations to the priesthood, especially in our own Diocese of Bathurst. Our Seminarian Diep Nguyen will be speaking at the Masses in St Mary's and St Joseph's.

Next weekend we take up our **annual special collection**. We invite you to generously participate in this collection so that we are able to support the formation of our **8 seminarians** studying for the Diocese of Bathurst.



## **The Centenary of the Dedication of the Molong Church**

You are invited to join with

**Bishop Michael McKenna, Bishop of Bathurst, and the Catholic Community of Molong**

to celebrate the centenary of **The Church of the Sacred Heart & St Laurence O'Toole, Molong**

Commencing with **5:00pm Mass on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May**, followed by supper in the school hall. The celebration will include the sacrament of Confirmation.

**Please note:** on this weekend there will be **no Mass** in Manildra.

# PARISH NOTICES



## Our Parish is doing Alpha for Youth!

Next term our Parish Youth Ministers will be running the Alpha Youth program!

**What:** A great way for young people to get together, share a meal and learn more about faith

**Who:** Young adults aged 16-20

**Where:** Kenna Hall Meeting Room

**When:** 3:30-6pm (including Sunday Evening Mass)

For more info please contact Liz at [e.bowmer1@bth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:e.bowmer1@bth.catholic.edu.au) or Jemarnie at [j.orge3@bth.catholic.edu.au](mailto:j.orge3@bth.catholic.edu.au)

## Gaudete Et Exsultate: On the call to Holiness in Today's World

Pope Francis' has released an Apostolic Exhortation entitled "Gaudete Et Exsultate" (Rejoice and be Glad), and subtitled "On the call to holiness in the contemporary world".

The Holy Father has based his message on holiness in today's world. Helping people to be holy is one of the Church's main tasks, in every era. At this time, being holy can be distorted by misleading or mythical ideas about holiness. Pope Francis "exhorts" his followers to engage in a journey that takes place in the concrete here and now of our daily lives, in small gestures and little things, in which we are led more and more by God's grace.

Holiness is for all of us, not a select few. Holiness is our destiny; it's what God has planned for us; and yet there is nothing intimidating or overpowering about that; rather it is a liberation, a way of becoming who we really are.

You can read the Exhortation on the Vatican Website: [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

## Did you miss the First Holy Communion meetings?

If you have a child who wishes to receive First Holy Communion and you missed the information meetings held last week please urgently contact our Sacramental Coordinator Shannon Cain: [sacraments.orange@cjob.org.au](mailto:sacraments.orange@cjob.org.au)



## Heart Women's Conference

7th - 9th June, RSL Fairfield

A time to come together together as women to be refreshed and renewed in our busy lives. Spoil yourself. Feel loved, honoured and cared for. Full registration. Cost \$199 Email: [heart@ThecatholicGuy.com](mailto:heart@ThecatholicGuy.com) Phone: 1300 734 880

## In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop 2018 National Pilgrimage

The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to significant places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop.

**Commence in Melbourne 23rd October, travel through Victoria & South Australia, conclude in Sydney 3rd November 2018.**

**COST EX SYDNEY: \$3,230.00**

**SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$700.00**

For further information, please contact Sr Therese Leydon on 0417 683123 or Sr Annie Bond on 02 89124818, or email [national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au](mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au)

## Family Group 9

will be having their next luncheon this Sunday 15th April at Duntryleague Restaurant 12noon for 12.30pm  
If unable to attend please call Allan & Gloria on 6363 1639

## WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS & MASSES

**RECENTLY BAPTISED:** Ned Davison, Nikita Leonard, Ayai Akon, Akon Akon, Tristan Medbury

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Laurence Christopherson, Tom Goldsack, Brian Kelly, Edward McElwee, Barry Morris (Sydney), Patricia Webb (nee Paton Cowra), Quinton Williams

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Josty Garcia, William Murphy, Niko Raso, Jack Saunders, William Ryan

## OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES:

Adrian Berney, Maria & Charlie Brouwers, Mena Christopherson, William Crayford and William Crayford Snr, Damian d'Arbon, Des & Daphne Dawson, Chris Duff, Ray Fitzgerald, David Hanrahan, Frank & Joan Hennessy, Brian Keegan, Michael Lawrence, Bernie & Josie Livermore, Ian Livermore, Marie Miller, Reg, Eric & Gerard Paul, Anton, Erich, Erika & Michael Twomey, Jean & John Walker, Mary & Hilton Wass, Mavis Whitehouse, Santo LoFaro (Italy), Gaetano Torrisi, Salvatore & Venera Torrisi, Mario & Alfio Lizzio, Pietra Faro, Alfina Cosentino, Venera Maccarone, Santo & Alfia LoFaro (Orange). Deceased members of the Jug, Paul, families.

## SPECIAL INTENTIONS:

Anne Bruce, Irene McCaffery

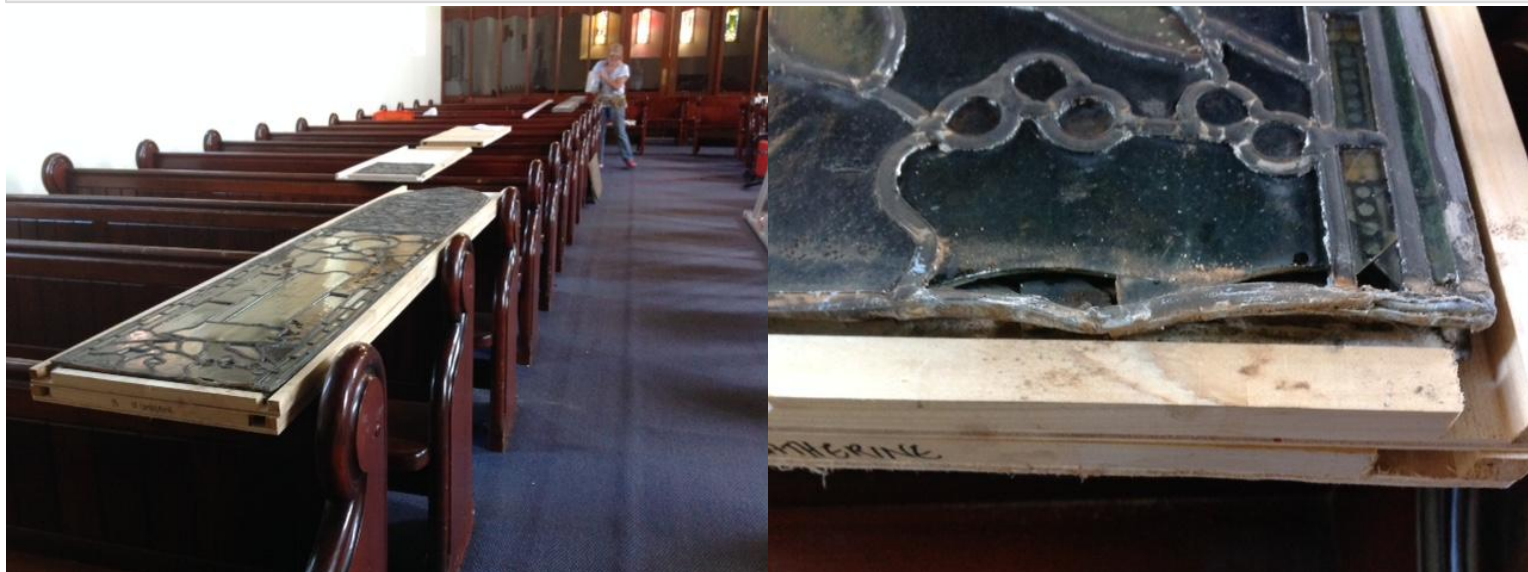
## THE SICK AND INFIRM:

Beth Moxham, Den Smith, Norm Wright, Doug Punch, Tori Punch, Ray Dickson, Eileen Stollery, Patrick Hanrahan, Kyle Wickham, David Ward, Celestina Vardanega, Katherine Twomey, Sandy Ostini, Paul Stapleton, Dr Steve Peterson, Irene McCaffery, Patricia Crich, Anthony Young, Philomena Parker, Wick Seale, Margaret Cooper, Michael Higgins,

Congratulations to **Herb Sullivan** who is celebrating his **90th Birthday** this week



## The Windows at St Joseph's Church



Hi everyone,

For several years now I have been keeping a keen eye on the oldest windows in St Joseph's. All stained glass needs to be re-leaded between 60-80 years, depending on the exposure to the weather, and the fact that these windows are 130 years old is quite remarkable. When I first saw your windows I was alarmed at the bowing, one of the first signs of deterioration. This is soon followed by fracturing of the solder joints and then glass breakage. Fr Greg will soon be implementing a programme of restoration works which will be disruptive but very worthwhile.

Four months ago I wrote a report on the status of the windows and even in this brief time there has been a surprising deterioration in the structural integrity of the windows. Fr Greg and I thought it wise to remove the windows and crate them up safely until the restoration process begins. The removal has been very successful with no further breakage and they are now securely tucked away. These windows have been replaced with toughened safety glass which will keep the Church safe and secure.

I do understand that some have been concerned and I would like to assure you that they are being treated with the utmost care and respect. Before the restoration process starts I would be very happy to give a talk on stained glass, the techniques, processes, history and answer any questions that you may have. I have been professionally working in this field for 40 years now and in restoration for 25 of those. Many of my restoration projects run into years, painstakingly, professionally, methodically and always with goodwill.

Sincerely,

Robin Seville

<http://stainedglassaust.com>

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