



PARISH OF ST MARY & ST JOSEPH, ORANGE

Incorporating St Brendan's, Mullion Creek, St Patrick's, Cargo, St Columbanus', Cudal
We recognise the Wiradjuri, Gamilaraay and Wailwan peoples as the original custodians of the land on which our Parish stands.

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Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
 Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God.
 Alleluia!

Today's Scripture: Isaiah 40:1-5.9-11; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

Christmas Masses 2017

Christmas Eve

6.00pm Mercy Hall
 (James Sheahan Catholic High School) Orange
 6.00pm St Columbanus, Cudal
 6.00pm St Michael's, Manildra
 7.00pm St Patrick's, Cargo
 7.30pm St Laurence's Molong
 7.30pm Carols, 8.00pm Mass St Mary's Orange
 10.00pm St Joseph's Orange

Christmas Day

8.00am St Joseph's, Orange
 8.00am St Brendan's Mullion Creek
 9.30am St Mary's, Orange
 9.00am St Canice's, Millthorpe

Sacrament of Penance

6.00pm Tuesday 19th December – Second Rite at St Laurence O'Toole, Molong
 7.30pm Wednesday 20th December – Second Rite at Joseph's, Orange
 12.30 – 1.00pm & 5.30 – 6.00pm Thursday 21st Dec – Individual Confessions at St Joseph's, Orange

St Stephen's Day (26th December)

8.30am St Joseph's
 No Mass at Molong

Please note there will be **NO** nursing home Masses between Christmas and February.

Next week: Isaiah 61:1-2.10-11; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8.19-28

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil

St Mary's 6.00pm
 St Columbanus Cudal 6.00pm
 (1st, 3rd & 5th Saturdays)
 St Patrick's Cargo 6.00pm
 (2nd & 4th Saturdays)
 St Michael's Manildra 6.00pm

Sunday

St Joseph' 8.00am
 Mullion Creek 8.00am
 St Dymrna's Cumnock 8.00am
 (2nd & 4th Sundays)
 St Mary's 9.30am
 St Lawrence's Molong 9.30am
 St Canice's Millthorpe 10.00am
 (1st & 3rd Sundays)
 Syro Malabar Mass 6.00pm
 (3rd Sunday of month at St Mary's)
 St Joseph's 6.00pm

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Friday 5.00-5.30pm St Joseph's
 Saturday 5.00-5.45pm St Mary's

OFFICE HOURS

Mon: 10.00am - 4.30pm

Tues-Fri: 8.45am - 4.30pm

Closed - Lunch: 12.30 - 1.30pm

PARISH TEAM

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St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Cnr Byng & Park Streets, Orange
 Principal: Mrs Kerrie Basha
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WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday 7.30am St Joseph's
 Tuesday 8.00am St Mary's
 Wednesday 7.30am St Joseph's
 Thursday 8.00am St Mary's
 Friday 5.45pm St Joseph's

All Public holidays Mass 8.30am

RECENTLY DECEASED: Maria Brouwers, Fay Green, Geoff Riley, Anthony Sarkis

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Chris Lawford, David Hanrahan

MASSES REQUESTED:

Adrian Berney, Enid Bodycott, Blanche Bourke, Mona Bourke, Kathir Chapman, Mike Castles, Mena Christopherson, John Cooney, Betty, Phylis, Felix, Nora & Gordon Clancy, William Crayford and William Crayford Snr, Damian d'Arbon, Donna Evans, Ray Fitzgerald, David Hanrahan, Ted Hayden, Brian Keegan, Pat Kennedy, Pam Kulscar, Ian Livermore, Aileen Mackie, Geoffrey Middleton, Reg, Eric & Gerard Paul, Keith Reid, Harry Taylor, Anton, Erich, Erika & Michael Twomey, Jean & John Walker, Hilton & Mary Wass, Mavis Whitehouse, Bernie & Josie Livermore, Dawn Ryan, 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 Lawford, Patteson, Logue, Iffland, Paul families.

Please pray for recently deceased parishioners and others for whom prayers are requested on the list in the church porches.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Lord, bring your healing and strength upon all those who are sick and injured especially:

Gary Alexander (Port Macquarie), Cameron Arnett (Canberra), Anne Maree Bailey (Oberon), Win & John Bamber (Ireland), Elizabeth Baron (Campbelltown), Cathy Bourke (Parkes), Eric Bowman (Bathurst), Paul Bright (Bathurst), Kevin Brown (Goulburn), Jenny Clark, Peter Coble, Glenn Cook, Peter Corrigan, Beryl Corse (Bathurst), Alfio Cristaldi (Qld), Robert Crossie, Titau Cunansse, Stephen Dane, Gerard Dennis, Anthony Doughan (Parkes), Kathryn Armstrong Doughan, Jenny Dunne (Avoca), Carmel Esposito, Eileen Ford, Justine Ford, Carolyn Gazzard, Geoff Gazzard, Kerry Gersbach, Michelle Gillies (Yamba), Aileen Grant (Canowindra), Patrick Hanrahan, Anne Harrington (Marrar), Lila Heffernan, Taio Henry-Taylor, Michael Higgins, Jenny Hughes, Gerry Huxley (Sydney), Robert (Bob) Jenkins, Robert Johnston, Kelly Jones (Central Coast), May Jones, Nancy Kalevski (Newcastle), Brian Kelly, Terry Kelly, Margaret Keen, Jan Kitcher, Jovan Knezevic, Ida Langham, Lawrence Livermore, Patricia Lo Faro, Noni McAneney (Tullamore), Vincent McAneney, Sue McCulley (Sydney), Yvonne McDonald, Doug McMurtrie, Bishop Kevin Manning, Jane Mason (Perthville), Ellie Middleton, Leanne Middleton, Janette Moore (Windsor, Ontario), Agnes Nash, Eileen O'Connor, Alice O'Dea, Ken Olsen, Sandy Ostini, Chris Parnaby, Iris Pasquill, John Powell, Maureen Priest, Kellie Purcell (Canberra), Joe Raso, John Reynolds, Adrian Ryan (Bathurst), Mark Ryan (Georges Plains), Tom Ryan (Bathurst), Francine Sammut, Patricia Sams, Sue Selwood, Marie Shea (Forest Reefs), Adrian Short (Woodstock), Jim Sloane (Sydney), Lyn Spencer, Roslyn Smith, Paul Stapleton, Miliana Tierney, Tio Henry Tylor, Katherine Twomey, Elizabeth Turnbull, Nicole Vanderhel, John Van Eede, Kylie Walsh (Sydney), Thelma Walters, Peter Ward (Sanctuary Cove), Jim Wass, Rory White, Kyle Wickham, Anthony Young.

These names will remain on the list for your Prayers. Please contact Parish Office if individual circumstances change.

Make sure you let the Parish Office know if anyone from your family is in hospital - ring 6362 2378.

Help Wanted

We would appreciate men and women on Tuesday 19th December to set up the chairs at James Sheahan High School Hall at 8.30am in preparation for Mass On Christmas Eve.

See you there!

Vinnies Christmas Cards & Columban Calendars



Will be available for sale after the Vigil Mass and 9.30am Mass at St Mary's Church this Sunday.

Wanted Shepherds & Angels

At the Christmas **6.00pm and 8.00pm Masses**, your children are encouraged to come dressed as Shepherds and Angels. There will be some clothes available if you need them.



Orange Community Christmas Lunch

For the past 19 years the mandate has been to provide a place for people from all walks of life to gather together on Christmas Day and enjoy a meal. As a result of the success and longevity of this ministry it's on again.

WE NEED YOUR HELP.....

Volunteers are required. We are needing people to help with set up on Christmas Eve (2-4pm) and serving on Christmas Day (10:30am-12pm; 12pm-1:30pm; 1:30pm-3pm). If you can help in any of these times slots, please call 63613100 and leave a message on the answering machine and one of our team will call you back. For further information please call Rev Nathan Dirs on 0410 315 389 or email nathan@orangebaptistchurch.org.au

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our faith community

**Millie Vardanega
Evie Benson
Jimmy Barrett**

who were baptised this weekend.



For Sale

Videos of Fr Carl's 40th Anniversary Mass are available for a \$10 donation. Please call Rosie on 6361 4085 if you wish to purchase.

Proceeds from each sale will go towards purchasing a *Lapel Microphone System* for the Wellington Parish

(Special thank you to Rick & Patricia Pasquali from Camera House)

Mary MacKillop International

Would like to thank you for your generous support in supplying and assisting with used stamps. 2017 was another successful year for us raising approximately \$58,000. A great effort from many, many people! From 2001 till now our total is almost \$244,000. It is through your efforts that the legacy of Saint Mary MacKillop continues. Sr Helen



St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal at Masses

Orange has so far raised **\$5327.30**. The St Vincent De Paul would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their kind donations.

Bishop's Christmas Pastoral Letter 'Life, Death & Life'

Available in all Churches and online at www.bathurst.catholic.org.au

Please note: The Parish office will be closed next Wednesday 13th December at **3.00pm** for Staff Development.

Fr Ephrem's Farewell

Parishioners will be putting together some funds to give Fr Ephrem a farewell gift. Anyone who would like to contribute can give some money after the masses this weekend of 9/10 December.

Fr Ephrem's farewell Mass followed by morning tea will be at the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 7th January.

Advent Books

On sale in all Churches \$5.00 each

Christmas Cards

For Sale Large \$3.00 Small \$2.00 at both Churches

weddings 

Congratulations to

Maree Fitzgerald & Anthony Robinson

(Married 2nd December)

Rita Torrisi & Steven Penrose

who were married this weekend

Blessings to them for their future.

PARISH ROSTERS

3rd Week of the Month starting
17th December 2017

St Joseph's**Altar Servers**

8.00am Sophie & Bridget Whittaker
6.00pm Niamh Pankhurst, Hannah King

Ministers of Communion

8.00am Patricia Harvey, Laurie Dowler,
Frances McArdle, Ruth Lee,
Margie Crayford
6.00pm Jennene Carpenter,
Sean Hansen, Tony Kalathil,
Denise Prince, VACANCY

Readers & Commentator

8.00am Therese Goodacre, Cameron
Allen; Bernard Carroll
6.00pm Peter Meers, Grace Pereira;
VACANCY

Sr Ann Morrison's Farewell

There will be Mass at
5.00pm in Molong on Friday
15th December to farewell Sr
Ann followed by a social function
in the school hall including dinner.



It is not only Sr Ann leaving, it's the end of 163 years of Sisters of St Joseph in Molong Parish.

Happy Birthday

Best wishes & Blessings to

Evelyn Garretty

for her



90th Birthday

which she celebrated on the
5th December

Advent - Christmas Giving Board

There are still a few envelopes left on the Advent Boards. Please take one this weekend and purchase a gift for the needy of our community.

When you take the envelope, enter your name and contact details into the book provided. Please attach the label to the Gift.

We are also providing gifts for the residents of St Francis Aged Care & Benjamin Short Lodge. If your gift is coded 'SF' or 'BS', please follow instructions on the front of the envelope.

Please return all gifts to the Parish office by **3.00pm on Wednesday 13th December.**

St Mary's**Childrens Liturgy at 9.30am**

Jacinta Milne

Drivers' Roster for 9.30am

Group A - John Schmich
Group B - Martin Tonks

Altar Servers

Vigil Ailish & Alanah Seedsman
9.30am Dale Pangilinan, Sam French,
Max Ringbauer

Ministers of Communion

Vigil Nanette Fogarty, Elaine Foley,
Kathy & Mitchell McGrath,
Dot Tandy
9.30am Peter Ringbauer, Karen Stoyles,
John Tancred, Jeff Pawsey,
Gerry Gough

Readers & Commentator

Vigil Tereza Cooney, Kay Fitzgerald;
VACANCY
9.30am Janelle Price Max Tracey;
Nadine Pawsey

Flower Arrangers - Carmel Bayada

Cleaners - (during week following the
2nd Sunday) **Group 2** - Lida Veenstra,
Carmel Bayada, Catherine Quick

2018 in Focus: The Weekday Mass Schedule

If you have not already done so, please take home my letter to the parish concerning 2018 which was distributed to all parishioners on Sunday 3rd December. In addition to that letter, each week during Advent we will publish another brief reflection in the bulletin.

In 2018 the weekday Mass schedule in Orange will completely change. Most people would be aware that there are 2 or 3 funerals in our parish each week. Perhaps many would not be aware that most weeks there are also special Masses for children at St Mary's and Catholic McAuley primary schools and 2 or 3 Masses for students at James Sheahan. We are also committed to providing all students in Catholic schools the opportunity for the Sacrament of Penance at least once a year, but ideally once a semester.

The 2018 weekday Mass schedule has been constructed with two key considerations in mind. First, we need to begin providing normal weekday Masses in school hours to allow students to attend without unnecessarily multiplying the number of Masses on any day. A 9.30am Mass at St Mary's on Tuesdays and a 9.30am Mass at St Joseph's on Thursdays allows students from our two primary schools to attend Mass regularly. As much as possible, full school liturgies will take place at the time of the regular weekday Mass. In addition, a regular Friday morning Mass will take place at the James Sheahan chapel to provide for the secondary students. Students will be given the opportunity for reconciliation directly after these Masses.

Second, the parish should provide weekday Masses outside normal work hours while maximising the availability of the Church for funerals. To that end, the other weekday Masses will be held at 5.45pm in the evening: Monday at St Mary's, Wednesday and Friday at St Joseph's. Hopefully, this will also provide an opportunity for those in full-time employment to attend Mass and will perhaps even lead to an increase in weekday Mass attendance.
Fr Greg

Orange and Molong Parishes Schedule from 1st January 2018

Weekend Programme

9.00am Saturdays before 1st & 3rd Sundays – Mass At Cargo (Sunday Liturgy)
 10.15am 2nd Saturday – Baptisms at St Mary's
 4.40-4.55/5.40-5.55pm Saturday – Reconciliation at Manildra
 5.00/6.00pm Saturday – Mass at Manildra
 4.15-4.45/5.15-5.45pm Saturday – Reconciliation at St Mary's
 5.00/6.00pm Saturday – Mass at St Mary's
 8.00am Sunday – Mass at St Joseph's
 8.00am 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays – Mass at Mullion Creek
 8.00am 2nd & 4th Sundays – Mass at Cudal
 9.30am Sunday – Mass at St Mary's
 9.30am Sunday – Mass at Molong
 11.15am 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th Sundays – Baptisms at St Joseph's
 11.15am 3rd Sunday – Baptisms at St Mary's
 5.00/6.00pm Sunday – Mass at St Joseph's

Weekday Programme

Monday – 5.00-5.40pm Eucharistic Exposition at St Mary's
 Monday – 5.45pm Mass at St Mary's
 Tuesday – 9.10am Rosary at St Mary's
 Tuesday – 9.30am Mass at St Mary's (SMCPS class attends Mass or whole school Mass)
 Tuesday – 10.00-10.40am Reconciliation for 1 SMCPS class at St Mary's
 Wednesday – 9.30am Mass at Molong (SJCPS Molong attends according to schedule)
 Wednesday – 10.00am-10.30am Reconciliation for SJCPS Molong & Parishioners
 Wednesday – 5.00-5.40pm Eucharistic Exposition at St Joseph's
 Wednesday – 5.45pm Mass at St Joseph's
 Thursday – 9.10am Rosary at St Joseph's

Thursday – 9.30am Mass at St Joseph's (CMCPS class attends Mass or whole school Mass)
 Thursday – 10.00-10.40am Reconciliation for 1 CMCPS class at St Joseph's
 Thursday – 6.00-7.00pm Holy Hour at St Joseph's
 Friday – 9.10am class Mass at JSCHS Chapel
 Friday – 5.00-5.40pm Eucharistic Exposition at St Joseph's (except in Lent: Stations of the Cross)
 Friday – 5.10-5.40pm Reconciliation at St Joseph's
 Friday – 5.45pm Mass at St Joseph's
 Public Holidays – 8.30am at whichever Orange Church usually has Mass that day.
 ANZAC day Mass is always St Joseph's.

Other Notes

- There will be no regular weekday Mass in Manildra. Masses and Reconciliation for SJCPS Manildra will be arranged by appointment.
- Reconciliation for year groups at JSCHS will be organised for recollection days or on Friday mornings after the class Mass.
- Masses in Cumnock will be suspended. A final thanksgiving Mass will be held at 8.00am on Sunday 14th January.
- The community at Millthorpe Church will be cared for from Blayney Parish. At present, Mass times remain unchanged.
- Since the community at Cudal is in close travelling distance from Masses in Cargo and Manildra, the communion service on off-weeks will be suspended.
- The Orange Anointing Mass will be scheduled twice a year during Lent and Advent 9.15am on a Saturday morning and the Molong Anointing Mass will be scheduled twice a year during Lent and Advent at the 9.30am Wednesday Mass.
- An announcement will be made in the new year on how the sacramental and pastoral needs of the Syro-Malabar community will be cared for.
- Nursing Home mass times remain unchanged.

DAY BY DAY

Monday 11th December

- Requiem Mass - Claire Norris - St Joseph's 10.30am
- Holy Family Conf. St V de P - 1st & 3rd weeks of Month
St Mary's Meeting Room 5.00pm

Tuesday 12th December

- Mass 11.00am - St Francis. All welcome.

Wednesday 13th December

- St Joseph's Conf. St V de P - Meet in McNamara Street Centre 4.15pm on 1st & 3rd weeks of Month.
- Social Justice Meeting - Kenna Hall Meeting Room 4.15pm

Thursday 14th December

- St Mary's Conf. St V de P Meeting at McNamara Street Centre 6.00pm
- Communion Service 11am - Wontama Nursing Home
- Mass - 11.00am Calare Nursing Home
- Requiem Mass - Maria Brouwers - 1.30pm St Joseph's
- Holy Hour at St Joseph's 6.00pm - 7.00pm
- Liturgy Meeting 7.00pm - Presbytery

Friday 15th December

- Requiem Mass - Anthony Sarks - 11.00am St Joseph's
- Mass St Joseph's - 5.45pm