



**PARISH OF ST MARY & ST JOSEPH, ORANGE**

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

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**Responsorial Psalm:**

The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia! This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight: listen to him. Alleluia!

**Today's Scripture:** Daniel 7:9-10,13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Matthew 17:1-9

**Gospel Reflection**

In the midst of Ordinary Time we are invited to behold the Transfiguration of Christ.

By some horrible coincidence, we recall Christ's brilliance on the day that the world marks another cosmic event, its birth into the atomic age at Hiroshima.

The paradox of these events should not be lost on us.

The white light that shone from Christ was a mere suggestion of the divine splendour that is beyond human comprehension; the flashing light from the atomic explosion was an omen of the destructive force that is within human grasp. It is imperative that the horror of the latter be brought under the control of the glory of the former.

The Transfiguration was a moment in time when Jesus' divine glory broke through his humanity and shone with a brilliance that was blinding. We sing of this glory time and again in the psalms. Yet when it really appears we can hardly believe it ourselves. The readings outline three different moments when this glory was revealed. The first was reported by the visionary in the book of Daniel. The second moment was the scene of the Transfiguration. The third is hidden in the Resurrection testimony of the author of the letter of Peter.

**We are the ones who today possess the prophetic message; we are the present day eyewitnesses of Christ's majesty. We too have moments when we might behold his glory and hear the voice proclaiming his identity, but we need eyes of faith and ears that are open.**

Dianne Bergant CSS



**Next Week:** 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33

**WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

**Saturday Vigil**

St Mary's 5.00pm  
 St Columbanus Cudal 5.00pm  
 (1st, 3rd & 5th Saturdays)  
 St Patrick's Cargo 5.00pm  
 (2nd & 4th Saturdays)  
 St Michael's Manildra 6.00pm

**Sunday**

St Joseph's 8.00am  
 Mullion Creek 8.00am  
 St Dympna'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 5.00pm  
 (3rd Sunday of month at St Mary's)  
 St Joseph's 5.00pm

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

Friday 5.00-5.30pm St Joseph's  
 Saturday 4.00-4.45pm 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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**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:** Eunice Lannaen, Andrew Taylor (England)

**ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:** Garry Aylmer, Charlie Brouwers, Phillip Cain, Fr Pat Creed, Des Dawson, Owen Hart, Norma Griffith, Norma Morphett, Mick (Gordon) Ostini, Terry Schmich, Mario Vardanega, Mary Wass

**MASSES REQUESTED:**

Adrian Berney, Mona Bourke, Betty, Phylis, Felix, Nora & Gordon Clancy, William Crayford and William Crayford Snr, Damian d'Arbon, Daphne Dawson, Donna Evans, Ray Fitzgerald, David Hanrahan, Wade Iffland, Alex Jenkins, Brian Keegan, Ian Livermore, Ellen & Clive Lord, Aileen Mackie, Valerie McGee, Reg, Eric & Gerard Paul, Pauline Raleigh, Michelle Ryan, Myra Schmich, Harry Taylor, Anton, Erich, Erika & Michael Twomey, Jean Walker, Hilton & Mary Wass, Paul Weatherly, Bernie & Josie Livermore, Dawn Ryan, Santo LoFaro (Italy), Gaetano Torrisi, Salvatore & Venera Torrisi, Mario & Alfio Lizzio, Pietra Faro, Alfina Cosentino, Venera Maccarone, Santo LoFaro Orange. Deceased members of the Floriano, Perizzolo, Logue, Iffland, Paul, families.

**SPECIAL INTENTIONS:**

Kath Murphy, Kath Sullivan

**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), Paul Bright (Bathurst), Kevin Brown (Goulburn), Jan Clark, Peter Coble, Glenn Cook, Beryl Corse (Bathurst), Alfio Cristaldi (Qld), Robert Crossie, Titau Cunansse, Gerard Dennis, Patricia Dolton, Troy Dolton, Anthony Doughan (Parkes), Ted Doughan, Kathryn Armstong Doughan, Chris Duff, Jenny Dunne (Avoca), Eileen Ford, Justine Ford, Geoff Gazzard, Kerryn Gersbach, Michelle Gillies (Yamba), Aileen Grant (Canowindra), Anne Harrington (Marrar), Taio Henry-Taylor, Lila Heffernan, Jenny Hughes, Gerry Huxley (Sydney), Robert (Bob) Jenkins, Joan Johnson, Robert Johnston, Kelly Jones (Central Coast), May Jones, Nancy Kalevski (Newcastle), Monica Keeseey (Nowra), Brian Kelly, Terry Kelly, Margaret Keen, Jan Kitcher, Jovan Knezevic, Ida Langham, 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), Eileen O'Connor, Alice O'Dea, Ken Olsen, Sandy Ostini, Chris Parnaby, Iris Pasquill, John Powell, Maureen Priest, Kellie Purcell (Canberra), 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), Roslyn Smith, Lyn Spencer, 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.**

**CONGRATULATIONS**

This weekend we congratulate the 123 candidates who are to be Confirmed at all the Parish Masses by Bishop Michael McKenna.

A "special" Thank You to the Parents, Teachers and the Sacramental Co-ordinator, Mrs Shannon Cain who prepared the candidates.

To the altar servers and sacristans and the other helpers behind the scenes for their constant support.

**We pray for continued growth in the faith of these young people and may the love of Jesus grow within their hearts through the gifts of the Holy Spirit.**



**Carcoar Sunday Afternoon Concert**

When: Sun 13th Aug 2017, at 2.00 pm  
Where: Immaculate Conception Church, Carcoar  
What: 'Anniversary Music'  
Who: Fr Tim Cahill, Paul Prendergast  
Admission by donation  
Followed by afternoon tea.  
All welcome.

*The Will of God will never take you where the Grace of God will not protect you.*



If you are an adult who is interested in being baptised or becoming a Catholic through Confirmation and First Eucharist....RCIA program is for you!

**For more information, contact Sr Helen at the Parish Office on 6362 2378.**

**VACANCY**

**A room at Abbeyfield (Hill Street) Orange**

**Accommodation for a person in need at reduced rates.**

**For more information PLEASE contact: Ronnie Hazelton on 6364 2118.**



**4 Seniors Program**

Thursday, August 10th 2017  
9.30am - 12.30pm  
Orange Ex-Services Club (Tobruk Room).

**"The Importance of Sleep"**

Guest Speakers - Ann Harrison Director of Breathwork Training & Millthorpe Meditation Centre  
- Amanda Moody Manager of Sleep Services Central West  
- Sharon Tovey Accredited Tai Chi Instructor.

**RSVP to 1800 580580**

currently needs Foster Carers in Orange. If you would like to learn more contact Louise on (02) 6394 9700 or email westnswcarers@lwb.org.au

**Prayer Vigil for the Feast of the Assumption**

at Carcoar, from 6.00 pm Mass till midnight - Tues 15th August, Immaculate Conception Church. Sleepover possible at Shalom House of Prayer afterwards.  
More Info: contact Fr Tim, 0427 125 690.  
All welcome!



**POPE'S PRAYERS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST**

"Artists"

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

**FATIMA DEVOTIONS**

In conjunction with the 100th Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima 1917 - 2017, please join us on **Sunday, 13th August at 3.30pm** in St Joseph's Church.  
ALL WELCOME.

**Feast of Mary MacKillop - Tuesday 8th August**

Join us in celebrating St Mary MacKillop's Feast Day. Bishop McKenna will be celebrating Mass at Perthville Chapel 11.00am. All welcome.



**The 13th Annual National eConference will be held on Thursday 10th August 2017 from 10.30am-2.45pm.**

*'Gospel Leadership in Times of Chaos: the Hope of Pope Francis'*

Speakers and Panellists include Professor Massimo Faggioli, Mr Paul Kelly, Professor Hon Bob Carr, Sr Clare Condon SGS, Rev Dr Gerald A Arbuckle, Ms Elizabeth Proust AO and Sr Ruth Durick OSU.

Everyone is invited to attend the **eConference**, with two venues available in the Diocese:

**BATHURST** - Merrick Hall at CEO, (Catholic Education - Diocese of Bathurst) Gilmour Street, Bathurst NSW 2795.

**DUBBO** - CEO, Sheraton Road, Dubbo NSW 2830.

There is no cost to attend and morning tea and lunch will be provided.

To assist with planning and catering, please register by THIS Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August by contacting Karen Burke or Ronda Smith on ph: 6338 3000 or email: ceo@bth.catholic.edu.au

**Petition for a Maritime Boundary between Australia and Timor-Leste**

There is no border in the Timor Sea between Australia and Timor-Leste. A fair and permanent border, based on the median line, would allow both nations to claim what is rightfully theirs under International Law. It would strengthen security and give certainty regarding investment. It would uphold the rights of nations to a defined and internationally accepted sovereignty.

**Petitions are in available to sign at the cross-aisle in St Joseph's and at the main entrance of St Mary's.**

**Come As You Are - for the Gifts of the Spirit. Fri 18th 6 pm – Sun 20th 3pm August**

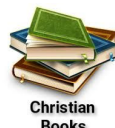
This retreat will help participants to discern and rediscover the gifts of the Spirit in their lives and to seek those gifts they most need in their lives right now. You will be given daily spiritual direction, meditation exercises and time to discern how the 'Gifts of the Spirit' are at work in your life ....just as you are! Places are limited so book early.

Email: shalomcarcoar@gmail.com or Phone: 0263673058 or Book On Line – [www.shalomcarcoar.com](http://www.shalomcarcoar.com)

Cost: Suggested Donation of \$190 (all meals and accommodation)

**Friends of Pilgrim Books**

'Love Your Book Shop Day'  
9.00am - 3.00pm  
Saturday 12th August  
10% off up to \$50  
20% off purchases over \$50 (You must be a friend of Pilgrim Books member to participate)  
Large range of Christian Films on DVD to choose from



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**PARISH ROSTERS**

2nd Week of Month starting 13th August 2017

**St Joseph's**

**Altar Servers**

8.00am Suzann Benny, Jorja Scott-Robertson  
5.00pm BreeAnne Petty

**Ministers of Communion**

8.00am Margaret Munk, Ann Kelly, Elwyn & Hanny Hurst, Margaret Bastick  
5.00pm Mick Downey, Julie Egea, Joanne Doullman, Deb Scoins, Elizabeth Bowmer

**Readers & Commentator**

8.00am Kieran Forde, Virginia Forde; Elizabeth Sergeant  
5.00pm Dianne Parsons, Philomena Parker; Tony Aumuller

**Flower Arrangers** - (before 2nd Sunday) Margaret Fisher, Joan Roberts

**Cleaners** - (during week following the 1st Sunday) **Group 1** - Paul & Chris Derrig, Ruth Lee, Peter Moore, Mel Gillman

**St Mary's**

**Childrens Liturgy at 9.30am**  
Monique Dunn

**Drivers' Roster for 9.30am**

Group A - Allan Johnston  
Group B - David Kennedy

**Altar Servers**

Vigil Ailish & Alanah Seedsman  
9.30am Max Tracey, Aaron Cox, Roshan Kumar

**Ministers of Communion**

Vigil Guil Beath, Judy Kilby, Sr Helen, Bridget Miller, Margaret Wendelin,  
9.30am Cathy Clarke, Judith Clarke, Helen Cracknell, Christine Derrig, Helen Hughes

**Readers & Commentator**

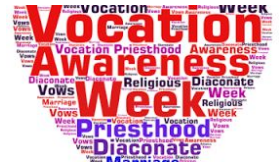
Vigil Kerrie Maher, Margaret Wright; Nanette Fogarty  
9.30am Derek Dolstra, Martin Tonks; Josh Dunn

**Flower Arrangers** - Carmel Bayada

**Cleaners** - (during week following the 1st Sunday) **Group 1** - Leonne Langbein, Pat & Ruth Frecklington, Pauline Nonnemacher

## National Vocations Awareness Week 2017

Each year, National Vocations Awareness Week provides an opportunity for all Australian dioceses, parishes, schools, religious communities, youth and campus ministers, and other Catholic organisations, to focus at the same time on the 'call to holiness' (i.e. the Christian Vocation) that arises from our Baptism, and which is lived out in specific states of life: marriage and family, diaconate and priesthood, religious life, and the committed living of single life. Our prayer this week is to foster a vocations culture in our communities where each person will discover his or her God-given vocation.



Through baptism we have all been given a vocation from God. We are all called to holiness. The focus for this first Sunday is vocations to marriage, family life and committed single life as ways of living out the universal call to holiness. We pray that our young people will be committed to working for the coming of the Kingdom and we pray that spouses and parents will be confirmed in their vocation.

In our Gospel today Peter, James and John come down from the Mount of the Transfiguration no doubt changed by their vision of Jesus. The gift of this remarkable event was not simply so the three apostles could have a memorable private experience, but so that they would be strengthened to follow Jesus into the future, particularly as he goes to the Cross. Likewise, each of us receives the gift of baptism and confirmation for the sake of mission: to take Christ to others. First and foremost by becoming Christ-like ourselves.

This weekend we pray that the newly confirmed young people in our parish will allow the gift of the Holy Spirit to transform them into committed followers of Jesus. We pray that, like Peter, James and John, they will be transformed by this intimate sacramental encounter with God through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Confirmation is not a graduation from Church life: it is the precisely the opposite. Confirmation is the moment in which a Christian disciple becomes more empowered to seriously commit themselves to the Christian life.

During the week ahead, I invite you to pray that our parish and schools will truly be places that foster vocations: that enable each person to listen deeply to Christ's personal call for them, whether it be to Holy Orders, religious life, married life, or the living of single life as a commitment to Jesus and the mission of the Church. Jesus' call is not a threat to our freedom or dignity, but is precisely the way we become freer and more our true selves. As Pope Emeritus Benedict once said to a gathering of young people:

"With love and conviction, I repeat to you young people, and through you to your peers throughout the world: Do not be afraid, Christ can fill your heart's deepest aspirations! Are there dreams that cannot come true when it is God's Spirit who inspires and nourishes them in your heart? Can anything block our enthusiasm when we are united with Christ? Nothing and no one, the Apostle Paul would say, will ever separate us from God's love, in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Fr Greg

### ***'A FRANK QUOTE - EXCERPT FROM POPE FRANCIS' LITTLE BOOK OF WISDOM'***

The Gospels, radiant with the glory of Christ's cross, constantly invites us to rejoice....  
Why should we not also enter into this great stream of joy?

### **DAY BY DAY**

#### **Monday 7th August**

- Craft with Love - Meeting room in Kenna Hall 9.30am - 1.30pm. All welcome
- Holy Family Conf. St V de P - 1st & 3rd weeks of Month St Mary's Meeting Room 5.00pm
- Missionaries of Charity, Holy Hour 2.00 - 3.00pm at the Convent, 67 Bletchington Street. All welcome.

#### **Tuesday 8th August**

- Mass 11am - St Francis. All welcome

#### **Wednesday 9th August**

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

#### **Thursday 10th August**

- Communion Service 11am - Wontama Nursing Home
- Mass 11am - Calare Nursing Home. All welcome
- St Mary's Conf. St V de P Meeting at McNamara Street Centre 6.00pm
- Holy Hour at St Joseph's 6.00pm - 7.00pm

#### **Friday 11th August**

- Mass St Joseph's - 5.45pm