



**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;

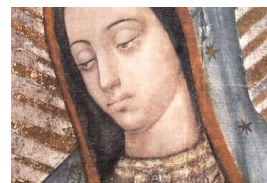
Our Lady of Lourdes
Lake Cargelligo-Tullibigeal
Parish founded 1923.
Present Church 1957;
St Isidore's Tullibigeal;
St FX School
Christ The King Chapel,
Bolo, 2008

Fr Hilary Rotich PP & Administrator

Our Lady of Guadalupe Pray for us

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Catholic Schools:

West Wyalong: **St Mary's Principal, Mr Damian Collins: 6972 3003;** <https://smwms.nsw.edu.au/>

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**

18th Sunday Yr A, 2nd August 2026

		West Wyalong	Ungarie	Lake	Tully
Monday 3rd	<i>St Dominic</i>	No Mass			
Tuesday 4th	<i>St John Vianney</i>	8am Mass			
Wednesday 5th		8am Mass			
Thursday 6th	<i>Transfiguration of the Lord</i>	8am Mass			
Friday 7th		No Mass		No Mass	5:30pm
Saturday 8th	<i>St Mary of the Cross</i>			6pm Mass	
Sunday 9th	<i>19th Sunday Ord Time</i>	9:30am Mass	8am Mass		

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Jesus nourishes us. In a world that is fraught with meaninglessness, he offers purpose; to a world that is stumbling in darkness and confusion, he provides direction. He satisfies the hungry heart; he enlivens the drooping spirit. Those who follow Jesus will never be left to languish in the desert. If we but open our eyes, we will be amazed at the bountifulness of the nourishment that is provided for us. We will discover that God is magnanimous, even prodigal in giving, that God's generosity exceeds all of our expectations and also our understanding.

Furthermore, we are nourished by God through the ministry of each other, through the simple things of life, (distributing bread and gathering up the fragments): visiting the sick and consoling the grieving; caring for a child and giving aid to an elder; bagging groceries and directing a choir. If we but open our eyes, we will be astounded at how ordinary actions can satisfy our hunger and the hunger of others.

Most amazing of all is that this nourishment is given freely; there was no thought of requiring payment. God simply invites: Come! All we have to do is reach out our hands to receive and we will never be sent away to find nourishment for ourselves. We will discover that a bond is established that endures. Jesus is filled with compassion, a compassion that is not a fleeting emotion, but an enduring attitude. Nothing can separate us from the love of Christ.

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.

Confirmation: Congratulations to Meila Fair, Indi Fair, Aisha Furber and Addison Hopper who were confirmed by Fr Hilary today in St Mary's Church. ***Holy Spirit, rest in them and enkindle in them, the fire of your love.***

Pray for our sick: Clare Devaney, Fr Paul Kumasaka, Maureen, 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: 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.***

Archdiocesan Assembly **Core Information**

*We invite all to prayerfully discern:
'How can our Church become a 'Sanctuary for the Thirsty?'*



When?

The Archdiocesan Assembly will be held on Saturday 22 August (9:00am - 4:00pm) 2026. A series of experiences in the 'Assembly Festival' will be hosted in the lead into the Assembly. This includes an Ecumenical Prayer Experience (Friday 21 August).



Where?

The Archdiocesan Assembly will be offered in 'Hubs' across the Archdiocese, including: Canberra, Goulburn, Temora, Tumut, Batehaven, Bega and Cooma. There will also be a 'digital' experience offered to all in the Archdiocese.



Who?

The Assembly is a gathering of leaders and members of our parishes, schools, ministries, movements, communities and agencies. It is anticipated that over 600 people will gather in-person in the Hubs and many more online.

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 Buttenshaw & 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: Isaiah 55:1-3

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord:

Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty;
though you have no money, come!
Buy corn without money, and eat,
and, at no cost, wine and milk.
Why spend money on what is not bread,
your wages on what fails to satisfy?
Listen, listen to me and you will have good things
to eat
and rich food to enjoy.
Pay attention, come to me;
listen, and your soul will live.
With you I will make an everlasting covenant
out of the favours promised to David.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESP PSALM: Ps 144:8-9. 15-18. R. v.16

**(R.) The hand of the Lord feeds us:
he answers all our needs.**

1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)
2. The eyes of all creatures look to you
and you give them their food in due time.
You open wide your hand,
grant the desires of all who live. (R.)
3. The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
call on him from their hearts. (R.)

2nd READING: Romans 8:35. 37-39

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Nothing can come between us and the love of Christ,
even if we are troubled or worried, or being persecut-
ed, or lacking food or clothes, or being threatened or
even attacked. These are the trials through which we
triumph, by the power of him who loved us.

For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no an-
gel, no prince, nothing that exists, nothing still to
come, not any power, or height or depth, nor any cre-
ated thing, can ever come between us and the love of
God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

ACCLAMATION: Matthew 4:4

Alleluia, alleluia!

**No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL: Matthew 14:13-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When Jesus received the news of John the Baptist's
death he withdrew by boat to a lonely place where
they could be by themselves. But the people heard of
this and, leaving the towns, went after him on foot. So
as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he
took pity on them and healed their sick.

When evening came, the disciples went to him and
said, 'This is a lonely place, and the time has slipped by;
so send the people away, and they can go to the villag-
es to buy themselves some food.' Jesus replied, 'There
is no need for them to go: give them something to eat
yourselves.' But they answered, 'All we have with us is
five loaves and two fish.' 'Bring them here to me,' he
said. He gave orders that the people were to sit down
on the grass; then he took the five loaves and the two
fish, raised his eyes to heaven and said the blessing.
And breaking the loaves he handed them to his disci-
ples who gave them to the crowds. They all ate as
much as they wanted, and they collected the scraps
remaining, twelve baskets full. Those who ate num-
bered about five thousand men, to say nothing of
women and children.

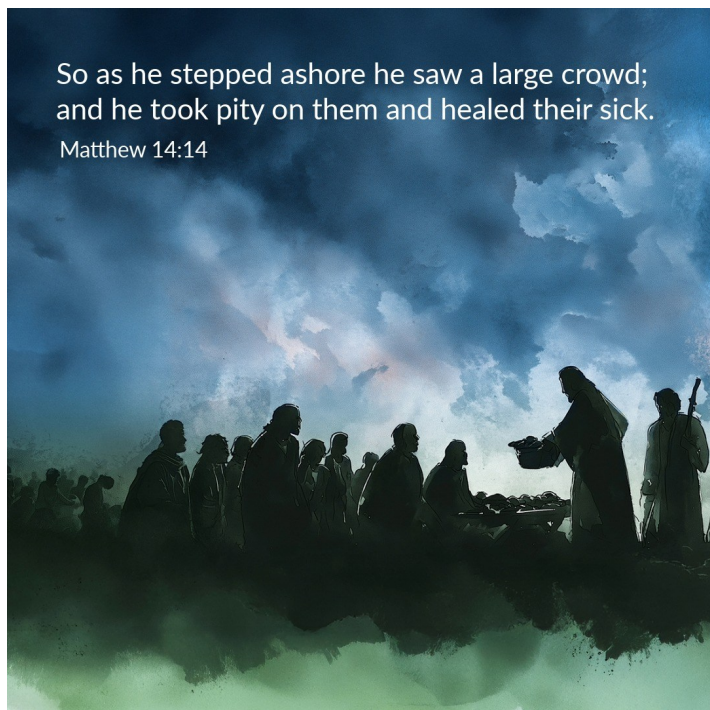
The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

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So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd;
and he took pity on them and healed their sick.

Matthew 14:14



18th Sunday Yr A

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 – Holy Spirit Come *Michael Mangan*

Holy Spirit, come. Holy Spirit, come.
Holy Spirit, come. Holy Spirit, come.
Holy Spirit, come. Holy Spirit, come.
Holy Spirit, come. Holy Spirit, come.

***Blow winds of change,
Breathe in our lives,
Stir in our hearts,
Shine through our eyes.
Come and pour out your gifts,
Work through our hands
And renew the face of this land.***

Holy Spirit, come.
Veni Sancte Spiritus.
Holy Spirit, come.
Veni Sancte Spiritus.

Reflection – Take Your Fill *Beth Doherty*

In your house, there will be love in abundance
Poured out and housing all of those who thirst
And in its rooms, there'll be comfort for the stranger,
tables filled with bread & wine
And the last will be first.

***Take your fill, take your fill
Fill your cups with water and wine***

***Take your fill, take your fill
Your God is ever merciful and kind
Take your fill at the banquet
Take your rest at the feet of grace
Take the cup of mercy and know you're worthy in this
place
Take your seat at the table
Rest yourself on the mercy seat
Take your fill of the Lord
Take your fill of the Lord***

And your heart will be repaired and suffering ended,
forgiveness flowing freely, mercy is for all
In your hands, there'll be strength enough to carry the
burdens of the weary, with love to make them whole

Here the broken find their healing
And the lost, oh, they are found
In the love that knows no measure
Let us make a joyful sound (x 2)

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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