

St Mary's Star of the Sea Parish, 23 Parade Place, PO Box 69 Corowa 2646. **Phone-** 0260331927. **Email:** corowa@wagga.catholic.org.au **Website:** <http://www.stmaryscorowa.com> **Wagga Wagga Safeguarding Office:** safeguarding@wagga.catholic.edu.au **Parish Safeguarding Officer-**Roz Willett-0419015898:
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St Vincent de Paul Annual report

The SVDP receive significant funds from Government- \$67,893,000 to support homeless, mental health, housing and disability services. Donations and appeals were \$24,368,000 (this includes partnerships with businesses and the Vinnies Community Sleepouts). Bequests last year were \$8,650,000.

** There are 220 Vinnies shops and 6 distribution centres in NSW, generating \$91.7 million over the last financial year. Customers served- 4,367,265. Items sold-10,761,436 and 3,717,371 of donated textiles were received and sorted.

The Vinnies Finds e-commerce platform was launched in 2025.

**The cost for the centres of charity and other was \$68 million.

**Fundraising costs for 2025 was \$4.5 million.

**There are other income revenues and associated costs that I haven't mentioned. Total income for 2025 was 230 million and expenditure was 225.5 million.

Mass Intentions

Remember in prayer:

Recently deceased: "We have loved them in life, let us not forget them in death.

May they live in God's love forever."

Lesley Hanrahan, Joan Shannon, Tina Wojtowycz, Mick Ryan (Cobram)

Anniversaries: Peter Murphy (16/1) Darren Wallace (5/2) Margaret Brown (2/2) Joseph Adriaensen (4/2) Celeste Sandral (16/2) Mary Keogh (16/2)

God is joy, God doesn't want sadness, God is optimistic, God is the possibility of everything good, God is all powerful to do good and to love. Who can be sad given a God whose presence fills everything.

St Oscar Romero

Christian love breaks down every barrier, bring close those were distant, unites strangers, and reconciles enemies. It spans chasms that are humanly impossible to bridge and it penetrates to the most hidden crevices of society. By its very nature, Christian love is prophetic: it works miracles and knows no limits. It makes what was apparently impossible happen. Love is above all a way of looking at life and a way of living it. A Church that sets no limits to love, that knows no enemies to fight but only men and women to love, is the Church that the world needs today.

Pope Leo X1V

Parish Diary

St Vincent de Paul Conference. Meeting on February 16th at 5pm at the Vinnie's Centre

****Parish Rosary** will be held at Nora Kingston's at 24 Alfred St on Wednesday at 4.30. All welcome.

****Wrap with Love** has commenced in the parish hall on Mondays from 9am-12noon. All are welcome.

Parish Finances

Bank A/C s for St Mary's parish.
The presbytery is 206110498-BSB 066-789. The church is 206110290-BSB 066-789

***** We have a collection after the Prayers of the Faithful.** This collection supports the clergy of the diocese. The support for the parish can be given through the envelope system, direct debit or tap and go.

Another way to assist our parish is to consider a gift in your will.

Parish Safeguarding Commitment

St Mary's Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the dignity and rights of all our children and vulnerable people. If any person has any concerns about the above, please contact the Parish Safeguarding Officer - **Roz Willett 0419015898**

Mass times

Mon 16 th	Mass at 9am
Tues 17 th	Mass at 9am
Wed 18 th	Ash Wednesday Mass at 9am and 12noon
Thurs 19 th	Novena at 11.40 Mass at 12noon
Fri 20 th	Anointing Mass at 10am Cuppa to follow
Sat 21 st	Mass at 6pm
Sun 22 nd	Mass at 9am

Liturgy roster -February 14th-15th

Lectors

6pm Jan Lowden

9am Shane Evans

Special Ministers

6pm Annette Norman

9am Angie Pilgrim

Welcomers

6pm Volunteer

9am Brian/Cathy O'Shea

Counters: Kathleen Winch/Arthur Campbell

Liturgy roster -February 21st-22nd

Lectors

6pm Sandra Drum

9am Mary Milthorpe

Special Ministers

6pm Ian Brooks

9am Michael Nixon

Welcomers

6pm Sandral Fm

9am Volunteer /John Taylor

Counters: Kevin and Trish Clissold

