

# Baptisms at St Mary's

**TIMES:** At St Mary's Church, Bungendore, baptisms are usually on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 10:00 am. Please speak to Deacon John or the parish office if this is not a suitable time for your family.

**MAKING A BOOKING FOR A BAPTISM:-** You can phone the Bungendore parish office on 6238 1247 between 11am and 5pm on Wednesdays. The "Request for Baptism" form can be downloaded from St Mary's website,

[www.stmarysbungendore.org.au/](http://www.stmarysbungendore.org.au/) completed and emailed to St Mary's Parish [bungendore@cg.org.au](mailto:bungendore@cg.org.au)

**BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION:** At St. Mary's, Baptism preparation takes place in an informal conversation with either Fr

Peter or Deacon John. The parish asks that you participate in a preparation session if this your first child or if you have not previously participated in such a session for any other children. When you contact the office to organise a date for the baptism we will help you to arrange a suitable time for this preparation to happen.

**PRESENTATION MASS:** You will also be asked to attend a Presentation Mass. This is where you and your child will be welcomed to our parish community. If possible, the godparents are invited to attend this Mass to be part of this service. From Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January our weekend Mass is at 8:30am on Sundays.



*A Warm Welcome to Lilyanne Jones  
and her Mum and Dad, Ranae and Lee.  
Lilyanne is being baptised later this morning.*

## News from the Archdiocese and beyond

### Catechist Training Days—Second Term 2018

Nimmitabel 4 June 10am - 1pm [matt.ransom@cg.org.au](mailto:matt.ransom@cg.org.au)

### 6 – June "Conversation with Paul Collins" 7 – 8pm

Concerned Catholics Canberra Goulburn is hosting a conversation with noted author Paul Collins and media commentator Paul Bongiorno at Holy Trinity Parish Hall in Curtin to discuss Paul Collins' most recent publication - *Absolute Power: How the Pope became the most influential man in the world.*

Enquiries: Concerned Catholics : 0439 498 283

### 22 – June "The Freedom of Religion in Australia"

This year's annual St Thomas More Forum Dinner will be held at Mercure Hotel, Ainslie. The Hon Dan Tehan MP will speak on 'The Freedom of Religion in Australia'. Time: 7pm for a 7:30 start, cost \$85 per head.

Bookings essential, RSVP 12noon Friday 15 June.

Enquiries to [forum@stthomasmore.org.au](mailto:forum@stthomasmore.org.au) or [campbell@cg.org.au](mailto:campbell@cg.org.au) or 0416 823 447.

### 17-19 - August "Marriage Enrichment Weekend"

At Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Book online at [www.wvme.org.au](http://www.wvme.org.au)

Contact Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or [adrian.janet1@bigpond.com](mailto:adrian.janet1@bigpond.com)

Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

### 30 – August "Evenings for the Engaged"

A marriage preparation program which will commence on Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018 at 6.30 pm for five-weeks.

Enquiries: Mark and Kathy Haseler, 6166 7634.

### 26-30 September—Ignite Youth Conference

Mueller Catholic College, Rothwell, Brisbane. Sessions for High School students, Uni students and leaders. More information on [www.igniteconference.com.au](http://www.igniteconference.com.au)  
Some pamphlets are in the porch.

## Plenary Council 2020 –

### Listen to what the Spirit is saying.

Pope Francis has approved the Australian Bishops' decision to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020 and 2021. It is a significant moment for the Church in Australia to make decisions about the future. To prepare the agenda for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: *"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"* Find out more about the Plenary Council 2020 at the new website, now online: [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)  
More information soon about Archdiocesan listening sessions.



## Buy-A-Brick for Marymead

Marymead needs our help in raising \$1.3 million to construct two of three Care Cottages by buying a brick, or two or more! Marymead's all new Care Cottages will provide much needed short-term accommodation for children and families across the ACT and regional NSW. The needs of the children will vary but will include emergency & crisis accommodation for vulnerable children, respite accommodation for young people with disabilities & a place to call home, even for a short period for those children who have recently left hospital. Go to the Marymead site: [marymead.org.au](http://marymead.org.au) and become a 'Friend', a 'Champion', a 'Hero' or even a 'Super Hero'.

## Plaques for Memorial Wall

We are now taking orders for plaques for the memorial wall. Please contact the office for more details. **The following format will be the one used.**



**St Mary's Bungendore**  
part of  
**Queanbeyan Mission**  
**28 Turallo Terrace Bungendore**  
Website: [www.stmarysbungendore.org.au/](http://www.stmarysbungendore.org.au/)  
Find us on Facebook



## Year B Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ 03rd June 2018

### Entrance Antiphon

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

### First reading

Exodus 24:3-8

When Moses came to the people and related all the words and ordinances of the LORD, they all answered with one voice, "We will do everything that the LORD has told us." Moses then wrote down all the words of the LORD and, rising early the next day, he erected at the foot of the mountain an altar and twelve pillars for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then, having sent certain young men of the Israelites to offer holocausts and sacrifice young bulls as peace offerings to the LORD, Moses took half of the blood and put it in large bowls; the other half he splashed on the altar. Taking the book of the covenant, he read it aloud to the people, who answered, "All that the LORD has said, we will heed and do." Then he took the blood and sprinkled it on the people, saying, "This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words of his."

### Responsorial Psalm

*R: I will take the cup of salvation,  
and call on the name of the Lord.*

### Second reading

Hebrews 9:11-15

Brothers and sisters: When Christ came as high priest of the good things that have come to be, passing through the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made by hands, that is, not belonging to this creation, he entered once for all into the sanctuary, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls and the sprinkling of a heifer's ashes can sanctify those who are defiled so that their flesh is cleansed, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God.

For this reason he is mediator of a new covenant: since a death has taken place for deliverance from transgressions under the first covenant, those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance.

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia** I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

### Gospel

On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when they sacrificed the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and prepare for you to eat the Passover?" He sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the city and a man will meet you, carrying a jar of water. Follow him. Wherever he enters, say to the master of the house, 'The Teacher says, "Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?"' Then he will show you a large upper room furnished and ready. Make the preparations for us there." The disciples then went off, entered the city, and found it just as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover.

While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen, I say to you, I shall not drink again the fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God." Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

### Communion Antiphon

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.



### Reflection

The Gospel for today reminds us that we are in a "covenant" relationship with our God. We renew that covenant in every celebration of the Eucharist. The Israelites of old sealed their covenant with God in animal sacrifice, and in the celebration of a meal (Exodus 24:1-12). The blood of the slain animal was sprinkled on the altar and on the people. The people knew that blood signified life: if blood spilled out then life spilled out. The altar signified God. The sprinkling of the blood denoted their shared life with God. They were called to be holy as God is holy. The symbolism of the Jewish covenant ritual informs today's Gospel story of Jesus' final Passover meal with his disciples. Through the actions and words of Jesus, the bread broken and shared becomes his body broken and "given" for them. The sharing of the cup of wine becomes their sharing in the life of Jesus "to be poured out for many". Bread and wine in this context have taken on a new meaning. While all analogies fall short, we might begin to understand this mystery by considering the Eureka flag. The flag is constructed of fabric and thread. It is housed in the Museum of Australian Democracy at Eureka and protected with the utmost care. Because of its associations with the Eureka rebellion and what Eureka stands for in Australian history and folklore, it carries the story that informs its creation as well as all the goodness of its fabric and thread. It has acquired multiple levels of meaning.

Through the actions and words of Jesus, the bread and wine of the Eucharist likewise signify something entirely new along with all the goodness of their materiality. They are Life for us, the shared life of the Risen Christ. We are called to bring that life to others, to give life for the sake of the many. Reading the passage in the context of Mark's gospel provides some insight into how we might do this. The eleven preceding verses recount stories of contrasting responses to Jesus as he faces his final days: temple authorities plot to destroy him; an unnamed woman "breaks" an alabaster jar and "pours" the healing perfume on his head, thus anointing his body "for burial" through eucharistic action; Jesus declares that what she has done will be told "in remembrance of her"; a close friend seeks to betray him. Betrayal and rejection are ever present possibilities even in Eucharistic communities. We are all too aware of this as we endeavour to address the consequences of child sexual abuse in our communities. We need to learn from the other possibility presented to us in this context, namely that of pouring out the healing perfume of compassion and love on our fractured Earth communities.



Sr Veronica Lawson rsm

From the website <http://www.mercyworld.org/>

### BUNGENDORE PARISH TEAM

Fr Troy Bobbin PP (resident in Queanbeyan)  
Fr Peter Day Associate Priest Bungendore / Braidwood  
(resident in Queanbeyan)  
Father Peter is happy to visit people in Bungendore; please arrange with Deacon John or the Parish Office  
Deacon John Lim (resident in Bungendore) 0499 508 449  
Secretary - Mary  
Finance - Maureen  
Parish Pastoral Council -  
**PHONE: 6238 1247**

**EMAIL:** [bungendore@cg.org.au](mailto:bungendore@cg.org.au)  
**POSTAL ADDRESS:** PO Box 28 Bungendore NSW 2620  
**OFFICE OPEN:** - Wednesday 11am - 5pm  
Office is next to the hall on the side away from the church.

### BUNGENDORE PARISH MASS TIMES

**Weekend Mass:** Sunday 8.30am  
**Weekday Mass:** Wednesdays 9.00am;  
Anointing Mass - 1st Wednesdays  
**Hoskinstown:** 1st Sunday 11am  
**Gundaroo:** 3rd Sunday 9am

### Please pray for our sick

 Judy Nicolau  
Hazel Costello  
Emanuel Mallia  
Zelma McManus  
(Mary-Anne Curran's mother)  
David McCamley  
Mary-Anne Webster  
Frank Shugg  
Theresa, Simon, James & Mary (Deacon John's mum, brothers & sister)  
Peter Fogarty  
Margaret Mikkelsen  
Patrick Wright  
Donn Oates  
(Barbara Rayner's Dad)  
Jill Hamley  
Patricia Young  
Erwin Feeken  
Tony Boys  
Alyssa Pettersen  
Kevin Summerfield  
Maureen Boss  
Val Young

### Recently Deceased:

Kevin Pippard  
Mick Gallagher  
Bede Healey  
Adam Connell  
(Fay Sherd's son-in-law)

### Anniversaries:

Mary Elizabeth Hazelwood  
Mary May Graham  
Winifred O'Donnell  
Hugh Brownbill  
Hazel White  
Vincent Johnson  
Rhonda Darmody  
Josie Van Gessel

### Confessions

Father Peter will be available for confessions on 1st and 3rd Sundays from 8 - 8:15am.

### Church Opening hours

St Mary's is open most days from 9am to 5pm for prayer and quiet reflection.

### First Communion program

A warm welcome to the children who are continuing their First Communion preparation today. We will keep you in our prayers. Preparation Sundays 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> June; Practice session Wednesday 13th June 6pm The First Communion Mass is on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June and will be followed by morning tea; Detailed timetable is on parish website.

### Rodeo Committee 2018

**President:** Greg Darmody  
**Vice President:** Clarrie Brown  
**Secretary:** Jenny Amey  
**Treasurer:** John Reardon  
**Committee Members:** Jean Reardon, Phillip Dean, Jacob Rayner, Rebecca Webster, David Webster, Garry Cook, Colin Elder, Julie-Ann Snudden.

### Planned Giving Renewal

It's time to consider our planned giving contributions for the next year. Envelopes will be available in the church porch for those already contributing. We also have some spare sets for new contributors. This would also be a good time to think about changing either to direct deposit or credit card deductions, both of which are very convenient and inexpensive for both you and the parish. With thanks for all your contributions, financial and otherwise, from the Finance Committee and the parish clergy.

### Church Cleaning : June:- Help is urgently needed!

Thanks to Judy and Maureen for cleaning the church in May.

### Ministries Roster

**Sunday 3rd June 2018 8:30 am**

**A: Bernadette Boss**  
**E. Min: Pauline Segeri & Anna Melek**  
**R: Gavin Whiteley & Mike Cramsie**  
**Gifts: Alison & David Bishop**  
**Altar Servers: Thomas K & Natalie G**

### Children's Liturgy

Children's liturgy is on again this week. Mary-Anne Curran is the leader today.

### Deacon John Lim

After four very productive years as the resident deacon at St Mary's, John Lim is commencing a new stage of his life's journey. John expects to leave Bungendore by the Spring. He mentioned during his announcement at Mass on 6<sup>th</sup> May that he was taking a prolonged sabbatical and some folks understood this to mean that he was taking a break but eventually returning as Deacon-in-residence at St Mary's. This is not the case and should he continue as a deacon after his sabbatical, his new appointment within the Archdiocese will be determined by the Archbishop. Whether or not John is replaced by another deacon is to be decided. John has done a great job as our deacon and will be sorely missed not only by the parish faith community but also by the wider Bungendore community where he is well known. He will certainly leave the parish better than he found it. John will be appropriately farewelled – probably more than once.

### St Mary's Hall Bookings

Hall bookings can be made by emailing [stmhallbookings@outlook.com](mailto:stmhallbookings@outlook.com)  
Current regular bookings for the hall are Monday 5:30—8pm, Wednesday 5:30—8pm (except last Wednesday of month), Friday 9am—10:15am, and the Seniors from 10am to 2pm on Tuesdays.  
**Mass Time**  
St Mary's weekend Mass will continue to be Sunday 8:30am for the foreseeable future.

**Morning Tea: Held monthly, after 8.30am Sunday Mass.**  
**Next one: 17th June 2018**

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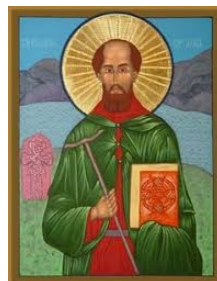
**Sunday 10th June 2018 8:30 am**

**A: John Windsor**  
**E. Min: Tess Montesin & Bob Yates**  
**R: Alison & David Bishop**  
**Gifts: Rene Mallia & family**  
**Altar Servers: Hayley P & Gilbert A**

*Pauline Segeri would like to say a big Thank You (with a cherry on top) to everyone who has contributed to her Biggest Morning Tea fundraising for the Cancer Council. She has raised Over \$8,000 so far*



### Saint of the Week - Saint Columba



**Born:-** 7 December 521, Gartan, Ireland;  
**Died:-** 9 June 597, Iona, Scotland;  
**Feast Day:-** 9 June  
**Canonised:-** before formal processes;

**Short biography:-** Colmcille (Columba) was born in the north of Ireland the great-great-grandson of an Irish high king. He was baptised by his teacher and foster-uncle Saint Crunathan., In the Irish language his name means 'dove'.

When sufficiently advanced in learning he entered the monastic school of Movilla, under St. Finnian who had studied at St. Ninian's "Magnum Monasterium" on the shores of Galloway. He was about twenty, and a deacon when he travelled southwards into Leinster, where he became a pupil of an aged bard named Gemman. On leaving him, Colmcille entered the monastery of Clonard. Here he imbibed the traditions of the Welsh Church. In early Christian. He became a monk and eventually was ordained a priest. A pestilence which devastated Ireland in 544 and Colmcille returned to Ulster, the land of his kindred. He was a striking figure of great stature and powerful build, with a loud, melodious voice which could be heard from one hilltop to another. The following years were marked by the foundation of several important monasteries: Derry, Kells, and Swords. While at Derry it is said that he planned a pilgrimage to Rome and Jerusalem, but did not proceed farther than Tours. Tradition asserts that, sometime around 560, he became involved in a quarrel with Saint Finnian of Movilla Abbey over

a psalter. Colmcille copied the manuscript at the scriptorium under Saint Finnian, intending to keep the copy. Saint Finnian disputed his right to keep the copy. A battle resulted in which many people were killed.

A synod of clerics and scholars threatened to excommunicate him but he was allowed to go into exile instead. Colmcille's own conscience was uneasy, and he resolved to expiate his offence by winning for Christ as many souls as had perished in the terrible battle.

In 563, he travelled to Scotland with twelve companions (said to include Odran of Iona) in a wicker currach covered with leather. According to legend he first landed on the Kintyre Peninsula, near Southend. However, being still in sight of his native land, he moved farther north up the west coast of Scotland. The island of Iona was made over to him by his kinsman Conall mac Comgaill King of Dal Riata, who perhaps had invited him to come to Scotland in the first place.

However, there is a sense in which he was not leaving his native people, as the Ulster Gaels had been colonising the west coast of Scotland for the previous couple of centuries. Here he guided the only centre of literacy in the region and gained a reputation as a diplomat among the tribes. There are also many stories of miracles which he performed during his work to convert the Picts, the most famous being his banishing of a ferocious "water beast" to the depths of the River Ness after it had killed a Pict.

He was a renowned man of letters, having written several hymns and being credited with having transcribed 300 books.