

Baptisms at St Mary's

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/ completed and emailed to St Mary's Parish bungendore@cg.org.au

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION: 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 7th January our weekend Mass is at 8:30am on Sundays.



St Mary's Bungendore

part of

Queanbeyan Mission

28 Turallo Terrace Bungendore

Website: www.stmarysbungendore.org.au/

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Year B

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

12th August 2018

News from the Archdiocese and beyond

18th August **THE MASS BY BISHOP ROBERT BARRON**

A one day retreat/information program, consisting of six twenty five minute video sessions with short Q & A after.

Time: 10.00am till 2.30

Where: Queanbeyan Parish centre (47 Lowe St)

Morning tea will be provided Bring your own lunch

(This program can be repeated at other times and places if there is interest)

17-19 - August "Marriage Enrichment Weekend"

At Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW. Book online at www.wvme.org.au

Contact Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or

adrian.janet1@bigpond.com

Worldwide Marriage Encounter.

30 - August "Evenings for the Engaged"

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

Enquiries: Mark and Kathy Haseler, 6166 7634.

7-9 - September "The Shalom Wellness 2018"

This weekend retreat is all about finding balance and nurturing your mind, body and spirit. You can do as much or as little as you want while enjoying the good food and lovely atmosphere of Shalom House of Prayer.

Cost: suggested donation \$250 (All meals, materials & accommodation) **Bookings:** ph: 02 63673058 or email:

shalomcarcoar@gmail.com or book on

line: www.shalomcarcoar.com

SHALOM HOUSE OF PRAYER, 7 COLLINS STREET CARCOAR

Presenters: The Shalom Community, Life/Wellness Coaches -

Simon and Majella Price, Artist - David Newman-White and

Jan Green Pranayoga Bathurst.

11 - September

Australian Centre for Christianity & Culture, Barton

6pm Book Launch

Fr Frank Brennan sj and Anglican bishop Stephen Pickard will launch the following books

The Forgotten Jesuit of Catholic Modernism - Anthony Maher
Faith & the Political in the Post-Secular Age - a collection of essays by Anthony Maher, Elaine Graham, Bob Dixon, Andrew Cameron, John Warhurst, Terry Veiling, Brendan Long, Frank Brennan

7:30pm "The future of the Catholic Church in Australia"

Concerned Catholics of Canberra-Goulburn will hold its 4th Public Forum at the at 7pm for 7.30pm.

Special guest speakers:

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv DD – Diocese of Parramatta
Sr Clare Condon - Sisters of the Good Samaritan
Ms Anne Kirwan - CEO Catholic Care, Canberra-Goulburn
13-16 - September "Men's Cursillo"

A Men's Cursillo weekend is to be held at Hartzler Park Conference and Retreat Centre, Burradoo NSW. An opportunity to explore your relationship with God, their selves and with others. Further information Joe Jambor at irmandjoe@gmail.com or Mob: 0401 159 852

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
Some pamphlets are in the porch.

ACBC Part-time Research Positions

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC) is seeking a Research Assistant for its National Centre for Pastoral Research (NCPR). Permanent part-time position (22.5 hours) located in Canberra. A second position which is expected to end in 2021 is also available. Position descriptions at:

www.employmentrealitions.actholic.org.au Enquiries Trudy Dantis 02 6201 9812 or t.dantis@pro.catholic.org.au.

Applications including three referees to be submitted via email to Giulia Savery giulia.savery@catholic.org.au.

[Applications close on 20 August 2018, 5pm](http://www.employmentrealitions.actholic.org.au)

Plenary Council 2020

[Listen to what the Spirit is saying.](http://www.plenarycouncil2020.org.au)

What will be on the agenda for Plenary Council 2020?



The agenda for the first session of the Council will be formed in response to the dialogue and listening process that will happen during 2018-19. After an open and inclusive process of listening, dialogue, prayer and discernment, we will form the Council agenda in late 2019 and early 2020.

How can I have a say?

More information how about local communities (formal or informal) can have their say, is available at <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/have-your-say/>

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.**



Entrance Antiphon

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

First reading

1 Kings 19:4-8

Elijah went a day's journey into the desert, until he came to a broom tree and sat beneath it. He prayed for death, saying: "This is enough, O LORD! Take my life, for I am no better than my fathers." He lay down and fell asleep under the broom tree, but then an angel touched him and ordered him to get up and eat. Elijah looked and there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water. After he ate and drank, he lay down again, but the angel of the LORD came back a second time, touched him, and ordered, "Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!" He got up, ate, and drank; then strengthened by that food, he walked forty days and forty nights to the mountain of God, Horeb.

Responsorial Psalm

R: *Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*

Second reading

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Brothers and sisters: Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption. All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting, and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ.

So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and handed himself over for us as a sacrificial offering to God for a fragrant aroma.

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

John 6:41-51

The Jews murmured about Jesus because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven," and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day. It is written in the prophets:

They shall all be taught by God.

Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

Communion Antiphon

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.



Reflection

This passage from John gospel needs to be situated in its context, Chapter 6:35-58 We have the first portion today, from 35-50, and the second portion, 51-58 next week. Each starts with the words, I am bread.

There are differences of opinion as to what we understand Jesus to be saying when he uses the image of bread. Today we will look at the passage in terms of bread as Revelation and next week, in the second part, we will pick up the theme of bread as Eucharist.

Many of Jesus' sayings that are found in John's gospel have Jewish roots. The Word of God and wisdom are often described in imagery related to food and specifically bread. Amos, the prophet, speaks of famine across the land because of the loss of the word of the Lord. This helps us when we turn to the reading from the Book of Kings.

Elijah, the prophet, had engaged in a feud with Queen Jezebel. She had established her own prophets of Baal in the territory, it was customary when a foreign bride arrived, to bring with her the religious practices of her home territory and rivalry developed between them and the prophets of the Lord. Elijah ordered the killings, of some of the prophets of Baal. When Jezebel heard about the killings she swore she would kill Elijah in revenge so he fled for his life. Elijah went into the desert, sat under a broom tree, and prayed for death. This reminds us of the prophet Jonah in similar circumstances. Elijah was depressed. He slipped into sleep.

He was roused from sleep by a messenger of God who gave him food and sent him on his way. Elijah's depression came from a loss of the presence of God. He was a prophet, but the Word of God, which was his daily bread, was forgotten in the conflict he was experiencing.

Lacking the nourishment of the Word he easily fell prey to discouragement. The words of Jesus in John could easily be directed to Elijah, Jonah or any person today, who feels discouraged by the problems facing our world. We all need

the bread of wisdom as the problems we face are complex and cannot be addressed by instant solutions or answers that sufficed centuries ago. The answer, Jesus says, lies in our motivation. We need to check out the reasons for our actions. We are to be engaged in doing what we discern to be God's will. This is not something that is always obvious. To mill forests or preserve them; to share power or to exclude; to explore modifications to genetic material or to ignore possibilities; everyone has to deal with one or a variety of major issues on a regular basis. The problems we face in the twenty-first century are our own. There are no concrete solutions that we can apply today, to be found in the Bible. If we believe that God is with us then what we will find from the Word of God is the right attitude or will to bring to the problems.

To attempt to be a faithful disciple does not mean we will always get it right but our discernment with and in our community will prevent us from errors caused by expediency. We have the promise of Jesus that we will never go spiritually hungry and we have a wealth of resources.

The image that suggests itself is that of a food hall in a shopping centre, overabundance and a tantalising variety. Our biggest challenge is to select the food that leads to eternal life. By this is meant more than a narrow focus on life after death but rather eternal life in John's meaning of the phrase; life lived here and now clothed in Christ.

Ephesians, with great faith and optimism, tells us to imitate God. The exhortation to get rid of all bitterness is appropriate when we read of so-called Christians making fierce judgements against fellow citizens which almost amounts to incitement. We are called to be kind to one another, compassionate and mutually forgiving.

From a reflection by Patricia Stevenson rsj at the website <http://www.sosi.org.au>



Saint of the Week - Saint Alberto Hurtado Cruchaga S.J.



Born:- 22 January 1901, Vina del Mar, Chile;

Died:- 18 August 1952, Santiago, Chile

Feast Day:- 18 August

Beatified:- 16 October 1994;

Canonised:- 23 October 2005;

Patron Saint of:- Chile, street children, social workers

Short biography:- Alberto Hurtado Cruchaga was born in Viña del Mar, Chile, on 22 January 1901 to an aristocratic family. After the death of his

father when Alberto was four years old, his mother with just two small sons, decided to sell their large estate. Unfortunately the buyer defrauded her. The family, now impoverished, was forced to live with a succession of relatives.

From an early age, he experienced what it meant to be poor and without a home. Thanks to a scholarship, he was able to attend a Jesuit high school. During this time, he volunteered at a Catholic parish and school in a poor neighborhood. He attended the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, studying law and writing his thesis on labour law.

Hurtado entered the Jesuit Novitiate in 1923 and was ordained in 1933. He returned to Chile in January 1936 and began

teaching at the Catholic University. In 1936, Hurtado authored an article entitled *The Priesthood Crisis In Chile*, which addressed the problem of the shortage of priests in Chile; his analysis was criticized as 'exaggerated'. In 1941, he was appointed national director of the Catholic Action youth movement. Also in 1941, Hurtado authored *Is Chile a Catholic Country?* The book published statistics demonstrating a lack of priests assigned to the working class and rural populations.

Grateful for the help he and his family had received when they were in difficulties, Hurtado was led to active social involvement. He founded an organization similar to Boys Town in the United States, called *Hogar de Cristo* (Home of Christ), which took in all children in need of food and shelter. He purchased a green pickup truck and monitored the streets at night to help those in need that he could reach. His own charisma brought him many collaborators and benefactors..

The shelters multiplied throughout Chile and it is estimated that between 1945 and 1951 more than 850,000 children received some help from the movement.

In 1947, inspired by the social teaching of the Church he founded the Chilean Trade Union Association, meant to train leaders and instill Christian values in the labor unions.

Bungendore Parish General Information

Fr Peter Day Associate Priest Bungendore / Braidwood (resident in Queanbeyan)

Deacon Chris van Gessel (2nd & 4th Sundays)

Secretary - Mary; Finance - Maureen;

Confessions: Father Peter is available for confessions 1st / 3rd

Sundays 8 –8:15am

or another mutually convenient time.

Baptisms: Usually on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 10:00 am. Please speak to the parish office if this is not a suitable

time for your family.

Phone: 6238 1247 **Email:** bungendore@cg.org.au

Website: www.stmarysbungendore.org.au/

Office Open: - Wednesday 11am - 5pm Office is on east side of Hall.

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 Mum)

Mary-Anne Webster

Frank Shugg

Peter Fogarty

Margaret Mikkelsen

Donn Oates

(Barbara Rayner's Dad)

Erwin Feeken

Tony Boys

Maureen Boss

Recently Deceased:

Michael Curran

(John's Dad)

David McCamley

Ishabel Richards

(Helen Montesin's Mum)

Chris Johnson

Anniversaries:

Patrick Campbell

Hilton Locke

Edward Campbell

Sydney Gallagher

Mary Gallagher

Mary Amelia Donohue

Edward Daniel

Anne Murphy

Bridget Hourigan

Mary Jane Allen

Jean Reardon

(John's mother)

Joyce Jones

John Lees

Melissa Menegazzo

Joseph Lim

Joseph Montesin

Kelena Montesin

Andy Kelso

Church Opening hours

St Mary's is open most days from 9am to 5pm for prayer and quiet reflection. Please keep the sliding glass door shut.

Children's Liturgy

Children's liturgy is on again this week. The leader is Sarah Dunkerley.

Sick List Names

Except for people whom the office knows to have chronic conditions, we will be taking names off the sick list three months after they were first added. Please check with people, before requesting that their names be added to the list.

St Mary's Hall Bookings

Hall bookings can be made by emailing bungendore@cg.org.au

Current regular bookings for the hall are Monday 5:30—8pm, Tuesday evenings, Wednesday 5:30—8pm (except last Wednesday of month), Friday 9am—10:15am, and the Seniors from 10am to 2pm on Tuesdays.

8 - September "Consultation for Women of the Archdiocese"

From 10.00am to 3.00pm at the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Blackall Street, Barton. Women are invited to share their story of faith with other women. It will be an occasion for women to name their reality, concerns and dreams for the Church in a safe and supportive environment. It will be an opportunity for women to shape a response to the listening sessions for the 2020 Plenary Council.

Register your interest: Jacinta (02) 62019861 or catholic.women@cg.org.au

Church Cleaning : August:- Help is urgently needed!!!!!!!

Thanks to Gennie and Kaye for cleaning the church in July.

Confirmation Program

The Confirmation program is for children in at least Year 6 and will consist of Preparation Masses on Sundays 26th August, 2nd, 9th and 16th September; followed each week by a one hour parent / child class;

Reflection and Practice session on Thursday 18th October 6pm (for a maximum of 1.5 hours)

The Confirmation Mass is Sunday 21st October and will be followed by morning tea;

Detailed information is on the parish website.

The continuing paving saga

As you can see, the ramp up to the hall doorway is now complete and the paving relaid.

Arrangements will be made in the slightly longer term for a covering over the Hall doorway.

Drought Relief

For the next couple of weeks we will be taking up a collection for drought relief to add a practical dimension to prayerful concern about the effects the lack of rain is having in our nation. Local knitters may also wish to contribute to 'Lamb Jumpers-Helping our farmers' who are making vests for poddy lambs. They have a facebook page will more details.

The parish of St Mary's would like to offer their condolences to John and Mary-Anne Curran on the death of his father, Michael. Our thoughts and prayers and love are with you at this sad time.

Morning Tea: Held monthly, after 8.30am Sunday Mass.

Next one: 2nd September 2018

Ministries Roster

Sunday 12th August 2018 **8:30 am**

A: John Windsor

E.M: Anna Melek & David Bishop

R: Mike Cramsie & Alison Bishop

Gifts: Almond family

Servers: Kathleen D

Sunday 19th August 2018 **8:30 am**

A: Ed Cory

E.M: Alison Bishop & Tess Montesin

R: Gavin Whiteley & Sarah Dunkerley

Gifts: John & Jean Reardon

Servers: Gilbert A