

# 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/](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:** 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. Our weekend Mass is at 8:30am on Sundays.



**St Mary's Bungendore**

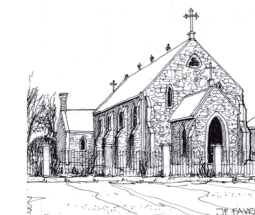
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**7th October 2018**

**Year B**

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## News from the Archdiocese and beyond

### Plenary Council 2020

[Listen to what the Spirit is saying](#)



*Is the parish planning to have a gathering to enable parishioners to help prepare a collective submission to the plenary council?*

Yes we are planning to have at least one gathering to discuss the plenary council. So get your thinking caps on. See David Webster for more details. There may also be more diocesan or multi-parish events before Lent next year.

St Gregory's Parish, Queanbeyan is having two listening sessions on Wednesday 7th November from 10:30am to 12noon and from 7pm until 9pm at the Queanbeyan Kangaroos Club, Stuart St, Queanbeyan to which they have extended an invitation to all parishes within the mission.

### How can I have a say?

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

### 9 - October

#### "Towards nonviolence: why working with men is key"

As part of the Blackfriars Lecture Series, Dr Justin Barker and Nina Birkl will be presenting at the Australian Catholic University, Canberra Campus, 223 Antill Street, Watson. To register or for further information, please email [OCD.Canberra@acu.edu.au](mailto:OCD.Canberra@acu.edu.au) or phone 6209 1129. This is a free public lecture.

### 14 - October "2018 Marian Procession"

Join the Archdiocesan family in a day of prayer, festivities and fun at our Annual Archdiocesan Marian Procession. This year the Papal Nuncio to Australia, Archbishop Yllana will be the main Celebrant as we celebrate 100 years since the foundation of St Clements, Galong.

Mass start at 11.30am. BYO food, or purchase at the sausage sizzle. [www.marianprocession.org.au](http://www.marianprocession.org.au)

### "Marian Procession Transportation"

Corpus Christi Parish, Gowrie is organising a bus. If you want more information please ring their parish office 6291 6688.

### 18 - October "Parent Forum and Documentary Screening"

The Archdiocesan Marriage & Family Office and St Edmund's College are hosting a free screening of the documentary 'Over 18' at 6-8pm to help raise parental awareness about pornography. Parents will receive a free resource pack from Perimeter Guardian with tips and advice.

Bookings are essential at <http://bit.ly/over18doco>. Enquiries [lara.kirk@cg.org.au](mailto:lara.kirk@cg.org.au) 0429 192 869

### 19 - October Home in Queanbeyan—Movie Night

"Back to Burgundy"

Friday 19th October 6—10.30pm Q Theatre, Queanbeyan  
MOVIE TICKETS: \$75 includes drinks, hot snacks and movie entry

BUY TICKETS: [www.thegq.net.au](http://www.thegq.net.au) or Box Office: (02) 6285 6290  
RAFFLE TICKETS ALSO ON SALE NOW! Prizes include: Exclusive premium corporate packages to Shania Twain and Sam Smith Sydney concerts and a \$1,000 cash voucher. Only 750 tickets available (\$20 each). Order from:

[manager@homeinqueanbeyan.org](mailto:manager@homeinqueanbeyan.org) or (02) 6284 2409.

### 10 - November Consider the Cause of the Poor

A day seminar on responding to the needs of the poor in the current age. Presented by the Good Shepherd prayer group with Kate Cleary and Fr Bernie Patterson.

**When:** Saturday, 10 November (9am to 4pm)

**Where:** Parish Room, St Peter Chanel's, Weston St, Yarralumla  
**Contact:** Kate 0404 112 428, Neda 0415 266 019, or Susanna 0419 902 293

### New Catholic Voice website: [www.catholicvoice.org.au](http://www.catholicvoice.org.au)

Got a story to tell? Stories from *your* school, *your* parish or from your own corner of the world. We've made it easy for you to upload stories, photos and videos – go to

[www.catholicvoice.org.au/share](http://www.catholicvoice.org.au/share)

### October retreats

*Guided retreat: A week with St Therese of Lisieux*

Oct 8: 6:00 pm – Oct 14: 9:30 am

Presenter: Fr Aloysius Rego, OCD

Cost: \$750.00. Concessions apply.

*Gregorian Chant workshop and retreat*

Oct 19: 6:00 pm – Oct 21: 1:30 pm

Presenter: Tony Vaughan, (Director, Schola Cantorum of Brisbane)

Cost: \$250. Concessions apply.

A weekend learning Gregorian Chant, suitable for both beginners and those familiar with singing chant.

**Where:** Mt Carmel Retreat Centre

247 St Andrews Road, Varroville

**Phone:** 02 8795 3400

**Email:** [retreats@carmelite.com](mailto:retreats@carmelite.com)

[www.carmeliteretreats.com.au](http://www.carmeliteretreats.com.au)

### 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

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

### First reading

Genesis 2:18-24

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh!

This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

### Responsorial Psalm

R: *May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.*

### Second reading

Hebrews 2:9-11

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind. As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!** If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love. **Alleluia!**

### Gospel

Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

### Communion Antiphon

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.



### Reflection

The film *Shadowlands* movingly portrays the relationship between C.S. Lewis and the American poet, Joy Davidman. Their close friendship began just after she had been diagnosed as having cancer and they were both aware of some of the risks involved in embarking on an intimate relationship in these circumstances. As it turned out they had three very happy years together. Before her death Lewis wrote: 'Love anything, and your heart will certainly be wrung and possibly broken. If you want to make sure of keeping it intact you must give your heart to no one. You must lock it up safe in the coffin of your selfishness. If you do that, your heart will change. It will become unbreakable, impenetrable, irredeemable.'

Reflecting on what it means to be human, the author of today's First Reading pictures God as a potter forming us out of the dust of the earth. However, there is so much more to us than this. We have a divine fire within us. We reach for the stars. We have God's breath in our lungs and God's love in our hearts.

It is here that today's reading takes up the story. We human beings are made in God's image: we are not meant to be alone.

In the Second Reading (Hebrews 2:9-11) we look at Jesus reaching out to belong and to give himself in love. To love is to open ourselves to suffering. There is no other way. Jesus himself, we are told, was made perfect through suffering. There is a lot of suffering in love. None of us grows to maturity by running away from the reality of our lives, and this includes the pain.

Today's Gospel deals with something that can be even more painful than death: when one has given one's heart to another in love and in trust and the other person does not honour the

commitment and breaks the trust. As well as the dangers of tragedy or death, we have to face the possibility and the pain of relationships failing or turning sour. Love is beautiful, but it can be fragile. The rending of a love relationship can leave us shattered in such a way that healing seems impossible.

Jesus is asked his opinion on the topic of divorce – a topic which underlines the risks involved when we give ourselves and our hopes into the trust of another. He places before us the purpose of marriage as he criticises his contemporaries for the ease with which men were able to divorce their wives. He challenges them to look beyond the limits of customary law and focus on God's design for marriage as a way of life in which men and women can grow, through unselfish commitment, to become humble and grace-filled adults, in a relationship in which together they can nurture children in love.

This is not to say that every marriage is made in heaven. Sometimes we human beings, even with the best will in the world, enter into destructive relationships that cannot bring either person to this mature loving. In such cases we need the courage and the humility to acknowledge our mistake and to go through the pain of separation. We will need as much understanding and love from the community as it can give.

Wherever we find ourselves in our relationships, let us remember the good news that God is love, and that all God's grace is now being offered us to find the truth that will set us free.

From a homily by Fr Michael Fallon MSC, <http://mbfallon.com/>



We would be happy to accept pointers from parishioners to other sources of reflections than the ones we are currently using. If you would send us these a month in advance, we will be able to do any necessary reformatting or editing. Nominations for Saint of the Week also accepted.

### Saint of the Week - Saint Edward the Confessor



**Born:-** circa 1003, Islip, Oxfordshire, England  
**Died:-** 5 January, 1066, London, England  
**Feast Day:-** 13 October  
**Canonised:** 1161  
**Short Biography:** Edward the Confessor was the son of King

Ethelred III and his Norman wife, Emma, daughter of Duke Richard I of Normandy. He was born at Islip, England, and sent to Normandy with his mother in the year 1013 when the Danes under Sweyn and his son Canute invaded England. Canute remained in England and the year after Ethelred's death in 1016, married Emma, who had returned to England, and became King of England. Edward remained in Normandy, was brought up a Norman, and in 1042, on the death of his half-brother, Hardicanute, son of Canute and Emma, and largely through the support of the powerful Earl Godwin, he was acclaimed king of England. In 1044, he married Godwin's daughter Edith. His reign was a peaceful one characterized by his good rule and remission of odious taxes, but also by the

struggle, partly caused by his natural inclination to favor the Normans, between Godwin and his Saxon supporters and the Norman barons, including Robert of Jumieges, whom Edward had brought with him when he returned to England and whom he named Archbishop of Canterbury in 1051. In the same year, Edward banished Godwin, who took refuge in Flanders but returned the following year with a fleet ready to lead a rebellion. Armed revolt was avoided when the two men met and settled their differences; among them was the Archbishop of Canterbury, which was resolved when Edward replaced Robert with Stigand, and Robert returned to Normandy. Edward's difficulties continued after Godwin's death in 1053 with Godwin's two sons: Harold who had his eye on the throne since Edward was childless, and Tostig, Earl of Northumbria. Tostig was driven from Northumbria by a revolt in 1065 and banished to Europe by Edward, who named Harold his successor. After this Edward became more interested in religious affairs and built St. Peter's Abbey at Westminster, the site of the present Abbey, where he is buried. His piety gained him the surname "the Confessor". The accompanying picture is the first panel of the Bayeux tapestry, depicting Edward's coronation.

### Bungendore Parish General Information

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

Deacon Chris van Gessel (2nd & 4th Sundays)  
0401 696 438

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](mailto:bungendore@cg.org.au)

**Website:** [www.stmarysbungendore.org.au/](http://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

Pierre Jean Chavanne  
 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:

Brian Elgood  
 Diana Stutterd

### Anniversaries:

William Haydon  
 Henry Oswald Gillard  
 Margaret Teresa Hyles  
 Thomas Daniel  
 Michael Sherd  
 Phillip Gilligan

### Sick List Names

Thomas Arthur Donnelly  
 Francis Benedic Shiels  
 Freda Cumberland  
 Emmanuel Sant  
 Robert Don Tacon  
 Marie Lucinda Barnes  
 Monica Xuerub  
 Elizabeth Velnaar  
 Iris Burns  
 Albert John Velnaar  
 Calvin Thomas James

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

### Church Opening hours

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

*The parish of St Mary's would like to offer their condolences to Maureen and Bob Elgood and their family on the death of Bob's brother, Brian. Our thoughts and prayers and love are with you at this sad time.*

### St Mary's Hall Bookings

Hall bookings can be made by emailing [bungendore@cg.org.au](mailto:bungendore@cg.org.au)

Current regular bookings for the hall are Monday 5:30—8pm, Tuesday evenings, Wednesday 5:30—7pm, Friday 9am—10:30am, and Seniors 10am-2pm Tuesdays.

### Bungendore Cake Stall

Saturday 3rd November 2018

### Bungendore Spring Ball

Saturday 10th November 2018 6:30pm at the Bungendore Public School Hall.

You can book online at

<https://www.trybooking.com/WDKC>

Early-bird tickets for \$92:50 until 10 October.

Tickets also available (cash only) at selected stores in Bungendore.

### Bible Study

Will recommence on Thursday 11th October at 7:30pm in St Mary's Hall. We will be studying the parables (All 46 of them!). It is intended that Bible Study will meet fortnightly.

**Church Cleaning : October:- Maureen Elgood and Jenny Amey**  
**Thanks to Tina and Pauline for cleaning the church in September.**

### Confirmation Program

The Confirmation Reflection and Practice session will be on Wednesday 17th October 6pm in the Church (for a maximum of 1.5 hours);

The Confirmation Mass is Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October and will be followed by morning tea.

### Bungendore Rodeo

Sunday 4th November 2018



St Mary's and St Philip's Combined Church Rodeo Association Incorporated

**We did a fantastic job last year.... We can do it again with your continued support.**

The following activities require **YOUR** assistance:

### Working Bee at the Rodeo grounds:

Sat 20<sup>th</sup> October 8:30am & Sun 21<sup>st</sup> October 10:30am and Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 8:30am.

### Stall & Gate Helpers:

will be needed on the day. **Get involved in the spirit of the Rodeo season—it's fun and rewarding.**

Thanks all, Jenny Amey on 0417 382 493

### Catholic Care

Please note that there are now information cards about various services provided by Catholic Care on display in the church porch. These include Family Support Services, Mental Health Outreach, and a Marriage Preparation Program. There are plenty of these cards so please feel free to take a few and pass them on.

*Please join us today*

*for a cuppa in the hall after Mass*



**Next one: 21st October 2018**

### Ministries Roster

**Sunday 7th October 2018 8:30 am**

A: Anna Melek

E.M: David & Alison Bishop

R: Bernadette Boss & Margareth Stumpel

Gifts: Rene Mallia & family

Servers: Kathleen D.

**Sunday 14th October 2018 8:30 am**

A: John Windsor

E.M: Anna Melek & Pauline Segeri

R: David Bishop & Gavin Whiteley

Gifts: Almond family

Servers: Gilbert A.