

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. Our weekend Mass is at 8:30am on Sundays.



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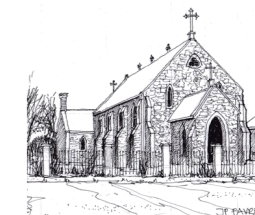
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Queanbeyan Mission

28 Turallo Terrace Bungendore

Website: www.stmarysbungendore.org.au/

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Year B

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th November 2018

Entrance Antiphon

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me!
Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

First reading

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord the God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow.

'Listen, Israel: the Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

Responsorial Psalm

R: *I love you, Lord, my strength.*

Second reading

Hebrews 7:23-28

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows, then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him.

To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Mark 12:28-34

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, Master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken, said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more.

Communion Antiphon

You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.



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 a gathering on Thursday 20th November in St Mary's Hall at 7:30pm 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 12:30pm 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. Please notify St Greg's parish office 6299 4611 or Queanbeyan@cg.org.au by Nov 2 if you want to come.

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/>

What else can I read/listen to/watch?

There are links to some interesting videos, podcasts and documents on the plenary council website

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/resources/>

Also <https://johnmenadue.com/massimo-faggioli-the-catholic-churchs-biggest-crisis-since-the-reformation/>

<https://catholicoutlook.org/bishop-vincents-address-to-the-concerned-catholic-of-canberra-and-goulburn/>

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

15-18 November –

"Canberra Women's Cursillo Weekend"

Women of the Archdiocese are invited to an invigorating and fun weekend to be held at Greenhills Conference Centre, Cotter Road, Canberra from 6pm Thursday to 4pm Sunday. Meet other women and reflect on your faith and where God is in your life, with Fr Bernie Patterson as the Spiritual Director.

Enquiries and registration: Lorraine Barker
lorraine-barker@grapevine.com.au or 0437 329 371.

16-18 – November "Worldwide Marriage Encounter"

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

Contact: Adrian and Janet Sullivan: on 0490 774 419 or adrian.janet1@bigpond.com

"Annual Catechist Masses"

For Catechists, friends and relatives. BYO shared meal or morning tea

25 November	9.30am.	Our Lady Star of the Sea, Narooma
28 November	12.15pm.	Sacred Heart, Temora.
2 December	10.00am.	St Patrick's, Cooma.
4 December	6.30pm.	St Thomas Aquinas, Charnwood.

December retreat

Peace the Fruit of Love (Jean Vanier)

Dec 1: 10:30 am – 4:00 pm

Presenter: F Gerard Moran OCD; Cost: \$30

Pick-ups from Minto train station at 9:30am and 10:00am

Please remember to bring your own lunch.

Where: Mt Carmel Retreat Centre

247 St Andrews Road, Varroville

Phone: 02 8795 3400

Email: retreats@carmelite.com

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.**



Reflection

It is wrong to assume that all those who asked searching questions of Jesus were trying to trap him. Some would be seeking clarification of things that puzzled them or trying to explore Jesus' insights into the Law.

At the time of Jesus, the Law had become overlaid with layers of interpretation as people tried to ensure a complete obedience to the perceived will of God. As Jesus hints elsewhere, the custom of offering a tenth of one's income extended for some to the offering of minute quantities of herbs; the precise distance that one could walk on the sabbath was prescribed - and so on. It is hardly surprising that under the weight of regulation, people sometimes wondered whether it was all necessary.

Jesus had shown a new freedom in his attitude to the Law to the extent that some believed he was trying to overturn it. This was not the case - Jesus came rather to fulfil it and to bring people back to a freshness in their observance of it that had been lost.

And so, the scribe who comes to Jesus seems genuinely to have been seeking his advice. Again, it can be useful to spend time imagining the scene - the attitude of Jesus - the scribe and those around them. Jesus listens to the question - pauses for a moment and then gives his response. The scribe hears the response and finds that it confirms his own feelings and replies enthusiastically - "Yes! That's how I feel - loving God is the root of everything!" As St Augustine was to say later, "Love God and do as you like!"

The exchange is likely to have been more than words. As in



any conversation between people who find themselves in accord, there would have been exchanged looks and unspoken understanding and an aura of harmony between Jesus and the scribe. It is likely that it was this rather than the answer which silenced the onlookers.

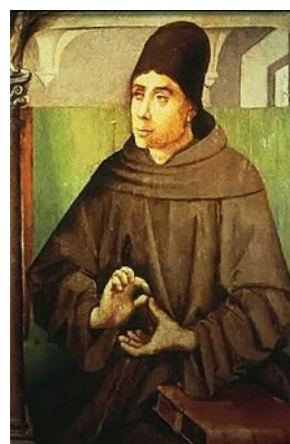
The moments when words of Scripture leap out of the page and create an overwhelming "yes" in our souls can have a profound effect on our lives. Suddenly, something of which we were only vaguely aware becomes crystal-clear. We feel as if we are falling in love again with God - with Jesus - and hear in their words something deeply personal - written hundreds of years ago but spoken as if they were really only intended for us.

When have words of Scripture created that deep "yes" in you?

What effect did it have on your life?

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 - Blessed John Duns Scotus



Born:- winter 1266, southern Scotland
Died:- 8 November, 1308, Cologne, Germany

Feast Day:- 8 November

Beatified: 1993, Rome, by John Paul II
Short Biography: *'In his brief academic career he altered the direction of philosophical thinking in many areas and set it on new courses to be followed for centuries' (Sir Anthony Kenny).*

Around 1279 John Duns Scotus was accepted in a Franciscan friary in South Scotland. After studying philosophy and other subjects at

Oxford, he began theology there in 1288. In the academic year 1297-98 John Duns prepared to teach his first theological course which would change his life. During the next year he gave this course, on the Sentences of Peter Lombard, the most important textbook of systematic theology at the time. During these years (1297-99) Duns wrote Lectura I-II, his lecture notes on the two first books of the Sentences. Scotus' course based on these notes not only impressed very much his audience, but also the Franciscan leadership, and established his name as an

exceptionally penetrating and original thinker.

In the summer of 1301 Scotus was sent to Paris by the Franciscan leadership to work at the most prestigious university of Europe.

By 1306 he was professor of theology in Paris. Duns Scotus, together with his assistants, continued to work on the definitive edition of his Commentary on the Sentences.

In 1307 he left Paris for Cologne in order to become the professor of theology at the Franciscan House of Studies (Studium). On 8 November 1308 he suddenly died in Cologne, leaving behind quite a number of unfinished works.

Duns Scotus is well-known as an exceptionally bright theologian capable of very precise analysis of theological and philosophical issues. He was able to elucidate many themes central to Christian teaching. The theology of Duns Scotus, like that of Thomas Aquinas, belongs to the genre of scholastic theology. This theology has a specialised method with a logical bent, which easily impresses the modern mind as being theoretical and dull. This is a misunderstanding, however. Theologians like Scotus and Aquinas believed and lived from their spirituality which was daily nurtured by liturgy and prayer. philosophy.

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

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



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

Anniversaries:
John Robert Wilson
Blanche Smith
Catherine Lawless
George Wilson
Martha Josephine Gallagher
Norman Patrick Smith
Sylvester Daniel Murphy
Josephine Gloria Salton
Elma Georgina King
Leslie Raymond Cremer
Kim English

Sick List Names

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.

Bungendore Spring Ball

Saturday 10th

November 2018 6:30pm

Bungendore Public

School Hall.

Theme "Up in the Air"

Tickets \$103.00 per

person.

Tickets include a glass of sparkling wine on arrival, a three-course dinner and live music to dance the night away.

So organize a table of 10, or ask David to organize you somewhere to sit.

You can book online at

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

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

people.



Bungendore Rodeo

Sunday 4th

November

2018

We did a

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

Get involved in the spirit of the Rodeo season— it's fun and rewarding.

Come along and enjoy the day!!

Thanks all, Jenny Amey on 0417 382 493

Bible Study

Thursday 8 November St Mary's Hall at 7:30pm.

Bungendore Seniors

Bungendore Seniors group meets every **Tuesday from 10am to 2pm** in St Mary's Hall, for activities and morning tea plus occasional outings.

St Mary's Hall Bookings

Hall bookings can be made by emailing

bungendore@cg.org.au

Current regular bookings for the hall are Mon 5:30—8pm, Tues evenings, Wed 5:30—8pm, Fri 9am—10:30am, and Seniors 10am-2pm Tuesdays.



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

Church Cleaning : November:- Helen Jewell and HELP NEEDED!!!

Thanks to Maureen and Jenny for cleaning the church in October.

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

Next one: 18 November 2018

Ministries Roster

Sunday 4th November 2018 8:30 am

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E.M: Anna Melek & Pauline Segeri

R: Mary-Anne Webster & Peter Hugonnet

Gifts: some helpful person

Servers: Kathleen D.

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