



**St Mary's Bungendore  
St Joseph's Gundaroo  
St Peter & Paul's Hoskinstown  
St Joseph's Tarago**  
<http://cg.org.au/bungendore/>  
Fr. Mick Burke 0448 414 541



**Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**31st October, 2021**

**BUNGENDORE PARISH TEAM**

Fr Mick Burke is the Administrator of Bungendore and Braidwood. Fr Mick is residing in the Bungendore presbytery.

**Baptisms:** Baptisms will be on Saturdays at 10:30 am. Please email or ring the parish office to arrange a baptism.

**Weddings:** Please contact Parish office; at least six months notice required.

**Phone:** 6238 1247

**Email:** [bungendore@cg.org.au](mailto:bungendore@cg.org.au)

**Website:** <http://cg.org.au/bungendore/>

**Secretary-** Julie-Ann

**Office Open:** - Wednesday - 10:30am - 5:00pm  
Thursday—9:00am—3:30pm

**Finance** - Maureen

**BUNGENDORE, BRAIDWOOD and REGION MASS TIMES**

**Bungendore :** Sunday 8.30am; **Weekday Mass:** Wednesday 9am

**Braidwood:** Saturday 6.00pm **Weekday Mass:** Tuesday 10.00am

**Hoskinstown:** 1st Sunday 10:30am

**Gundaroo:** 2nd & 4th Sunday 10:30am

**Tarago:** TBA

**Krawarree:** 5th Sunday 11.00am

Third Sundays will be shared between extra Masses at either Braidwood or Bungendore for First Communion / Confirmation or Mass at either Araluen or Nerriga.

**Current Covid Protocols (changes from 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021) - capacity of church is now 32 people plus 20 in the Hall**

**Limited numbers.** We are restricted in numbers attending by the **4 sq m** per person rule.

**Seating** in the church and hall has been arranged to simplify compliance with the regulations. Please fill the front rows first, and at the end of Mass exit starting from the back rows. Members of the same household may sit together.

**Arrival.** Please arrive no later than 10min before Mass to allow time to sign in individually.

**Contact Tracing.** You will be required to provide your name, phone number and time of entry.

We are now using the NSW government Contact tracing app, using a QR code, which is on display in the porch. The supervisor will help you if you don't already have the app on your phone. If necessary we can return to paper lists. This list is secured until it is no longer required, which is usually 28 days. One person per line, please.

If you would like your own copy of the QR code so you can sign in before you leave your car, please email the parish office.

**Communion at Mass.** The priest or minister will bring Communion to you in your seat.

**Hygiene.** The church will be cleaned after Mass, in accordance with Health Department guidelines. Please minimise touching of furniture to reduce cross-contamination. Wearing of masks is mandated by the government.

**Collection.** We once again have collection plates, but they will be brought to you, not passed along the pews. The EFTPOS 'Tap and Go' machine and a collection box will continue to be at the church entrance. If wishing to donate to a particular collection, please use an envelope (provided) for your cash, and label for either 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> collections. Money from EFTPOS will go to the 2<sup>nd</sup> collection.

**Music.** Instrumental music only.

**After Mass.** Please clean your hands on exiting; make sure you've recorded your contact details; check out if you checked-in with the app and maintain social distancing rules if chatting outside.

*Thanks for your cooperation in working with us to keep everyone safe*



The Parish of St Mary's, Bungendore acknowledges the Ngunnawal and Ngambri people, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for many thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

### 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!

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### First reading

Dt 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 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.'

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### Responsorial Psalm

**(R.)** *I love you Lord, my strength.*

I love you, Lord, my strength,  
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.  
My God is the rock where I take refuge;  
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.  
The Lord is worthy of all praise:  
when I call I am saved from my foes. **(R.)**  
Long life to the Lord, my rock!  
Praised be to the God that saves me.  
He has given great victories to his king  
and shown love for his anointed. **(R.)**

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### Second reading

Heb 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, Christ, 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!

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### Gospel

Mk 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 you 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.

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### Communion Antiphon

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



## *A Message from Father Mick Burke*

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

November is a special time to pray for the dead. One of the great gifts of our faith is belief in the Communion of Saints, a constant reminder we are in union as a pilgrim people with those who have been faithful to God's call for them. There will be Mass at St. Mary's Bungendore this coming Monday at 9AM, All Saints Day. Mass will be held at the presbytery in Braidwood on Tuesday at 10AM, All Souls Day.

Terry, Laurie, Ray and myself had a meeting with Pip Giovanelli (Heritage Architect) to see progress on the roof at Braidwood. There was a concern that a wall had moved but Pip isn't concerned because it probably happened years ago and isn't a problem. I would be surprised if the roof is finished by Christmas. First Holy Communion to be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> November will be at the school hall at 10.30AM.

I am truly grateful to those who have mowed grass on our land; Greg Buckley (Gundaroo), Greg Durr (Hoskinstown), Garry Pieper and Friends (Braidwood), David Webster, Chris Van Gessel and Glenn Toscan

(Bungendore). This extraordinary season has required the grass to be cut nearly every week.

During the month of November you may like the community to pray for your deceased relatives and friends, for their names to be on the bulletin contact Julie-Ann (Bungendore) or Helen (Braidwood). Whilst I pray for these people at Mass, offerings are given to priests in Timor Leste.

Please pray for successful outcomes at the COP 26 in Glasgow.

Yours in Christ,

Mick Burke



**Please pray for:-** Lauren Horton, Frank Shugg, Peter Fogarty, Margaret Mikkelsen, Erwin Feeken, Maureen Boss, Sheather family, Kelena Mifsud, Doris and Roger Cutbill, Diana Robertson, Luke Alam, Bob Angel, Patrick Elwood, Peter Gagliardi, Annie Nikolou, Robert Murdock, Jack Sealey, Magdalen Sillis, Stewart Briggs, Ed Cory, Philomena Constable (Magdalen Sillis's sister), Cassandra Mallia, Russell Taylor, Mary-Anne Webster, Bob Yates, Judita Oblak

**Recently Deceased:** Ray Murphy

**Anniversaries:-** Kim English, Leslie Raymond Cremer, Elma Georgina King, Josephine Gloria Salton, Sylvester Daniel Murphy, Norman Patrick Smith, George Wilson, Catherine Lawless, Blanche Smith & John Robert Wilson.

**Church Cleaning :** *We are looking for more volunteers so that we are able to meet COVID safe requirements into the future. Pls talk to Julie-Ann*



### Plaques for Memorial Wall

We are now taking orders for plaques for the memorial wall.

Please contact the office for more details.

The above format will be the one used.



### Liturgical Roster

**Sunday 31st October 2021 8:30 am**

**Minister of the Altar:** David Bishop

**R1; R2:** Anna Melek & Julie-Ann Snudden

**Offertory:** Rick & Mary Lenarcic

**Supervisor:** Mary Lenarcic

**Sunday 7th November 2021 8:30 am**

**Minister of the Altar:** Anna Melek

**R1; R2:** Mary & Rick Lenarcic

**Offertory:** Jenny Amey & Helen Jewell

**Supervisor:** David Webster

### For direct credit payments to the Parish:

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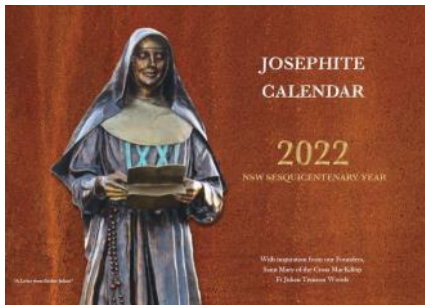
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### Bank Account for Fr. Mick's Timor L'Este project

This is the account for donating to Fr Mick's Timor L'Este project. BSB 062786 . A/C 000028521 ref. Timor donation

### Calendars for 2022—Columban & Josephite

The office has received order forms for both of these calendars. Cost is \$10 plus postage. Please let Julie-Ann know if you are interested.



## *Dates for your Diary*

- 31/10**—This week—Morning tea outside
- 1/11**—Monday—All Saints Day Mass 9AM
- 5/11**—Rosary 9AM St Mary's
- 7/11—10.30AM** Mass and Morning tea Hoskinstown
- 13/11**—Working bee David W to send out email
- 15/11-19/11** Fr. Mick Retreat @ Galong
- 19/11 6PM** Self catered BBQ, Outdoors with Glenn Toscan on the BBQ. BYO chair and ideas for fun, fellowship and brainstorming for the fair!
- 20/11**—Wedding St Mary's—Claire & David

## *Reflection*

Generally, in the gospels, the scribes are shown as antagonistic towards Jesus and when we begin this passage we may be expecting a trap being laid by the scribe. In Jewish tradition, a lot of teaching occurs through a question and answer style and often the question is related to a particular teaching from Torah. Here, the scribe approaches Jesus as a teacher, a rabbi, and poses a question just as he would to any other worthy teacher. He asks which of the commandments Jesus regards to be foremost. This could be an opening question to any teacher and one would expect it to be the start of a long conversation. Neither of the commandments Jesus quotes come from the Ten Commandments with which we are most familiar, but, rather, they come from other parts of Torah (the Law). His qualification of the first commandment – to love God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your

## News from the Archdiocese and beyond

2021 Blackfriars Lecture – How does social capital enhance health and wellbeing?

We consider the importance of understanding the relationships between significant social factors and their impact on health and wellbeing.

**SPEAKER:** Dr. Ursula Stephens, CEO Australian Catholic Safeguarding Ltd:

Tuesday November 2 @ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Free

Room 301.1.20 Veritas Bldg

ACU Canberra campus, 223 Antill Street Watson ACT

RSVP by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021 to

[ocd.canberra@acu.edu.au](mailto:ocd.canberra@acu.edu.au) Registration essential

All attendees required to adhere to the current COVID-19 health and safety regulations.

**21/11**—Morning Tea and Children's Liturgy and decorating Hamper boxes

**4/12**—Wedding at St Mary's—Alice & James & Baptism—Ellie at Hoskinstown

**December**—Hamper packing 10 days prior to Christmas (NOT 17th or 18th but any other day)

**Christmas Eve Nativity**— Friday 24th 6pm

**Christmas Day Mass**—8.30AM

## **2022**

**17/3**—St Mary's Autumn Fair with Pig Races!!

**15-17/4**—Easter

mind, and with all your strength – is a way of capturing the whole person. What Jesus is saying is to love God completely and utterly with your whole person. Then he follows up and adds another commandment – 'You must love your neighbour as yourself.' The scribe agrees with Jesus' teaching and adds that these are far more important than offering sacrifice. This is a pretty controversial statement from a scribe! Sacrifice has been the official form of prayer practised in the Temple for a very long time and he suggests that love of God and love of neighbour are far more important! It is because of this understanding about the priority of love over religious practice – the hallmark of the kingdom of God that Jesus proclaims – that Jesus pronounces the scribe to be 'not far from the kingdom of God.'

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