



**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



Second Sunday of ADVENT

5th December, 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

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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 (from 8th November 2021)

Masks: Masks are mandatory for all attendees except children under 12 yrs old.

Vaccination Evidence: Parishioners are not required to produce evidence of vaccination however attendees at wedding/funeral to carry evidence of vaccination. Both vaccinated and unvaccinated permitted at Mass.

Limited numbers. We are restricted in numbers attending by the **2 sq m** per person rule. A wedding limit of 5 unvaccinated guests otherwise restricted to 2sqm 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.

Contact Tracing. We are using the ServiceNSW 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. You will be required to provide your name, phone number and time of entry. This list is secured until it is no longer required, which is usually 28 days.

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.

Collection. We once again have collection plates, but they will be brought to you. 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 1st or 2nd collections. Money from EFTPOS will go to the 2nd collection.

Music. Singing IS permitted. Choirs to maintain physical distancing from congregation.

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

O people of Sion, behold,
the Lord will come to save the nations,
and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard
in the joy of your heart.

First reading

Bar 5:1-9

Jerusalem, take off your dress of sorrow and distress,
put on the beauty of the glory of God for ever,
wrap the cloak of the integrity of God around you,
put the diadem of the glory of the Eternal on your
head: since God means to show your splendour to
every nation under heaven, since the name God gives
you for ever will be, 'Peace through integrity, and
honour through devotedness'.
Arise, Jerusalem, stand on the heights
and turn your eyes to the east:
see your sons reassembled from west and east
at the command of the Holy One, jubilant that God has
remembered them.
Though they left you on foot,
with enemies for an escort,
now God brings them back to you like royal princes
carried back in glory.
For God has decreed the flattening of each high
mountain, of the everlasting hills, the filling of the
valleys to make the ground level so that Israel can
walk in safety under the glory of God.
And the forests and every fragrant tree will provide
shade for Israel at the command of God;
for God will guide Israel in joy by the light of his glory
with his mercy and integrity for escort.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled
with joy.*

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **(R.)**
The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **(R.)**
Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **(R.)**
They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **(R.)**

Second reading

Phil 1:3-6. 8-11

Every time I pray for all of you, I pray with joy,
remembering how you have helped to spread the
Good News from the day you first heard it right up to
the present. I am quite certain that the One who
began this good work in you will see that it is finished
when the Day of Christ Jesus comes. God knows how
much I miss you all, loving you as Christ Jesus loves
you. My prayer is that your love for each other may
increase more and more and never stop improving
your knowledge and deepening your perception so
that you can always recognise what is best. This will
help you to become pure and blameless, and prepare
you for the Day of Christ, when you will reach the
perfect goodness which Jesus Christ produces in us for
the glory and praise of God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:
all people shall see the salvation of God.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of Tiberius Caesar's reign, when
Pontius Pilate was governor of Judaea, Herod tetrarch
of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of the lands of
Ituraea and Trachonitis, Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene,
during the pontificate of Annas and Caiaphas, the
word of God came to John son of Zechariah, in the
wilderness. He went through the whole Jordan district
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the
forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the
sayings of the prophet Isaiah:

A voice cries in the wilderness;
Prepare a way for the Lord,
make his paths straight.
Every valley will be filled in,
every mountain and hill be laid low,
winding ways will be straightened
and rough roads made smooth.
And all mankind shall see the salvation of God.

Communion Antiphon

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,
and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

Message from Fr. Mick

Due to the desperate shortage of priests and lack of those retired unable to supply,

Christmas Mass times are as follows:

Braidwood 24th – 5.30pm

Bungendore 24th – 7.30pm

Bungendore 25th – 8.30am

Gundaroo 25th – 10am

Sunday 26th, Feast of the Holy Family

Bungendore – 8.30am

Braidwood – 10.30am

Times for the Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation will advertised next week.

I am aware these revised times for Christmas Mass don't meet with the approval of all parishioners but we need to be realistic about the availability of a priest in the future.

Mick Burke

The Liturgical Roster has no nominated positions after next week! Christmas Masses Help required:

As we enter Advent and look forward to our Christmas masses we require a few people to make our Celebration and outreach to the community as wonderful as possible.

The Liturgical roster becomes harder to fill as folk go off on leave, it would be appreciated if you would notify Julie-Ann of any roles you are willing to be rostered for or if you would be prepared to step up at any mass you attend.

If you are going to be here would you let us know if you are able to either co-ordinate or assist in setting up and for the Christmas Eve Mass/Nativity please?

Wedding Congratulations to Alice & James Cargill who were married here on Saturday. We wish them a lifetime of wedded bliss!



Please pray for:- Lauren Horton, Frank Shugg, 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 Nikolaou, 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: Peter Fogarty & Michael McMahon

Anniversaries:- Bet Mitchell, Patricia Redman, Geroa Elizabeth Emma Feeken, Harold Hickey, Thomas Rogers, John O'Sullivan and John Flynn.

Church Cleaning : Thank you Pauline Segeri and Mary Lenarcic for cleaning the church in November. *We are looking for more volunteers so that we are able to meet 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 5th December 2021 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Anna Melek

R1; R2: Nicole Murphy & Louise Treloar

Offertory: Rene Mallia & Family

Welcomer/Supervisor: Julie-Ann Snudden

Sunday 12th December 2021 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: David Bishop

R1; R2: David Webster & Catherine Mueller

Offertory: Jenny Amey & Helen Jewell

Welcomer/Supervisor: Stephen Dunkerley

For direct credit payments to the Parish:

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NAME: St Mary's Parish Bungendore

Reference: NAME

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

PARISH ADMIN SUPPORT POSITION. This is a part-time permanent position two days (flexible), 15.2 hours, supporting parishes across the Catholic Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn with the inputting of financial data and reporting requirements. Essential Requirements: Accurate data entry skills, Strong communication and liaison skills, Ability to work in a team environment and take direction, Experience with financial package(s) such as PACs and/or MYOB, Awareness of GST legislation and reporting requirements. Salary will be subject to qualifications and experience. The position will be based in Canberra. Applications addressing the above sent to Deborah Foote, Parish Support Manager, Archbishop's Office of Evangelisation, and emailed

Dates for your Diary

3/12—Rosary & Reflection 9AM St Mary's each Friday

4/12—Wedding at St Mary's—Alice & James

20/12—Hamper packing

Christmas Eve — Friday 24th 5.30pm Braidwood and 7.30pm Nativity Bungendore

Christmas Day Mass—Saturday 8.30AM

26/12—Feast of the Holy Family 8.30AM

Reflection

Do we have to be like John the Baptist, eccentrically dressed and scavenging for food, to prepare the way of the Lord? No. You and I are called to be a John or Joan the Baptist, preparing people's hearts in our own time and place.

But we have to allow God to prepare *our* hearts for this role. John the Baptist challenges us to 'Repent', i.e. to turn around our own lives seeking God's forgiveness. John then challenges us to see the big picture which is that 'All who live shall see the salvation of God'.

Pope Francis is the exemplary universal pastor inspiring us to become 'les mercifuls sans frontieres'. And young people through social media are already saying 'We are one community of human beings on this fragile planet'.

The challenge for most of us is more immediate and apparently of smaller scope. The challenge this Advent is to identify the one person whose heart you can help

News from the Archdiocese and beyond

to Deborah.foote@cg.org.au by COB 13 December 2021.

Archdiocesan Online Advent resource now available!

Week 2 Advent Sunday 5th December 4pm-5pm

<https://zoom.us/j/96186839540>

Meeting ID: 961 8683 9540

All information at :

<https://cgcatholic.org.au/walking-together>

or contact lara.kirk@cg.org.au 0429 192 869

2022

8/1—Baptism Levi at St Mary's

19/3—St Mary's Autumn Fair with Pig Races!!

15-17/4—Easter



prepare to celebrate the coming of the Lord Jesus in three weeks' time. The best method is to let that person see your faith and joy centred on that little Jewish baby lying in a manger.

Do that, and who knows what may happen because that little baby is in fact the Sovereign Lord of history and of the whole cosmos. With God's grace, you don't have to be as eccentric or bizarre as John the Baptist to play your part in changing the course of history!

We could take a moment to pray that, repenting of our own sins where necessary, we may prepare the heart of at least one person so that the Lord Jesus may enter in this Christmas, helping him fulfil his mission that all who live shall see the salvation of God.

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