



**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



Third Sunday of ADVENT

12th 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

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 (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

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice.
Indeed, the Lord is near.

First reading

Zep 3:14-18

Shout for joy, daughter of Zion,
Israel, shout aloud!
Rejoice, exult with all your heart,
daughter of Jerusalem!
The Lord has repealed your sentence;
he has driven your enemies away.
The Lord, the king of Israel, is in your midst;
you have no more evil to fear.
When that day comes, word will come to Jerusalem:
Zion, have no fear,
do not let your hands fall limp.
The Lord your God is in your midst,
a victorious warrior.
He will exult with joy over you,
he will renew you by his love;
he will dance with shouts of joy for you
as on a day of festival.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is
the great and Holy One of Israel.*

Truly, God is my salvation, I trust, I shall not fear.
For the Lord is my strength, my song,
he became my saviour.
With joy you will draw water
from the wells of salvation. **(R.)**

Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name!
Make his mighty deeds known to the peoples!
Declare the greatness of his name. **(R.)**

Sing a psalm to the Lord
for he has done glorious deeds,
make them known to all the earth!
People of Zion, sing and shout for joy
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel. **(R.)**

Second reading

Phil 4:4-7

I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord; I
repeat, what I want is your happiness. Let your
tolerance be evident to everyone: the Lord is very
near. There is no need to worry; but if there is
anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with
prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which
is so much greater than we can understand, will guard
your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 3:10-18

When all the people asked John, 'What must we do?'
he answered, 'If anyone has two tunics he must share
with the man who has none, and the one with
something to eat must do the same.' There were tax
collectors too who came for baptism, and these said to
him, 'Master, what must we do?' He said to them,
'Exact no more than your rate.' Some soldiers asked
him in their turn, 'What about us? What must we do?'
He said to them, 'No intimidation! No extortion! Be
content with your pay!'

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people,
who were beginning to think that John might be the
Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you
with water, but someone is coming, someone who is
more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the
strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy
Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fan is in his hand to clear
his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his
barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never
go out.' As well as this, there were many other things
he said to exhort the people and to announce the
Good News to them.

Communion Antiphon

Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear.
Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.



Message from Fr. Mick

Do you know of rental property in Bungendore or Braidwood? We have two teachers at St. Bede's school looking for a unit in the district. Please contact the school or MaryLou Gorham if you know of a rental property.

Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Penance.

17th December – 6-6.30pm at St. Mary's

18th December – 5-5.30pm Braidwood, St. Bede's School Hall

19th December – 6-6.30pm St. Mary's

23rd December – 6-6.30pm St. Mary's

24th December – 4.30-5.00pm St. Bede's Church.

Clare & David de Silva whose wedding was celebrated here on the 20th November convey their thanks to the Parish community for their support and the warm welcome they have received. They had a beautiful day!

Can you put your hand up please?

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

As we move through 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.

Also, 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?

Christmas Day Reader: Pauline Segeri



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: Robert Cotter

Anniversaries:- David Busby, James Thomas Bede Doyle, Alfred Ronald Allen, Julia Flynn, Thomas Flynn, Brigid Catherine Flynn and John Butler.

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 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

Sunday 19th December 2021 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar:

R1; R2:

Offertory:

Welcomer/Supervisor:

For direct credit payments to the Parish:

BSB: 062-786 ACC: 00014851

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

Archdiocesan Online Advent resource—Week 3
Sunday 12th December Zoom 4pm-5pm

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

Meeting ID: 961 8683 9540

All information at :

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

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

Dates for your Diary

10/12—Rosary & Reflection 9AM St Mary's each Friday

20/12—Hamper packing

Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Penance.

17/12 – 6-6.30pm at St. Mary's

19/12 – 6-6.30pm St. Mary's

23/12 – 6-6.30pm St. Mary's

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

Reflection

I want you to be happy

Some people have an image of God who must be obeyed out of fear. Rules of behaviour are kept as part of a deal to avoid punishment. But St Paul was imitating God when he told the Philippians that all he wanted was their 'happiness'. God's deepest desire is that we share divine bliss. St Thomas Aquinas tells us that the goal of human life is this beatific happiness.

Of course, there is a way of life which responds to the Divine Lover. John the Baptist insists on rules of social justice, particularly those which forbid taking advantage of the vulnerable. But these are the minimum. He envisages a response of extravagant generosity. It will take Baptism in the Holy Spirit and Fire to make this possible.

This was effected by the One foretold by John. He doesn't name him, but we know it was Jesus of

News from the Archdiocese and beyond

You are very welcome to attend the 2021 Archbishop's Day of Teaching at St Peter Chanel's Church, Yarralumla on Saturday 11th December, 2021!

This year's theme is "Come back to the Father!", as we, like the prodigal son, repent with all our hearts and run back into the Father's arms.....

Time: 9.30-4.30

Cost: Free

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

Christmas Day Mass—Saturday 8.30AM

26/12— Sunday 8.30AM Feast of the Holy Family

2022

8/1— Baptism Levi at St Mary's

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

15-17/4—Easter

Nazareth who had the power to unleash such over-the-top generosity. Jesus sent his Holy Spirit at Pentecost as if in wind and fire. This created a new community which, the Acts of Apostles tells us, responded with acts of unrestrained generosity to the vulnerable and needy.

We might pause for a moment to pray for a generous spirit responding in gratitude to the Divine Lover who, as Risen Lord, has the power and will to enable us to be filled with Divine Bliss.

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