



**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



3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

23rd January, 2022

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.

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

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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 January 2022)

Masks: Masks are required indoors.

Vaccination: Both vaccinated and unvaccinated permitted at Mass.

Density Limits no longer apply

Contact Tracing is still required. We are using the ServiceNSW app, using a QR code, which is on display in the porch. 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.

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.

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.

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 sing a new song to the Lord;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
In his presence are majesty and splendour,
strength and honour in his holy place.

First reading

Neh 8:2-6. 8-10

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of all the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered Amen! Amen!; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read.

Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, ‘This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep’. For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law.

He then said, ‘Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.’

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.*

The law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple. **(R.)**

The precepts of the Lord are right,
they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear,
it gives light to the eyes. **(R.)**

The fear of the Lord is holy, abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just. **(R.)**

May the spoken words of my mouth,
the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight,
O Lord, my rescuer, my rock! **(R.)**

Second reading

1 Cor 12:12-30

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts. If the foot were to say, ‘I am not a hand and so I do not belong to the body’, would that mean that it stopped being part of the body? If the ear were to say, ‘I am not an eye, and so I do not belong to the body,’ would that mean that it is not a part of the body? If your whole body was just one eye, how would you hear anything? If it was just one ear, how would you smell anything?

Instead of that, God put all the separate parts into the body on purpose. If all the parts were the same, how could it be a body? As it is, the parts are many but the body is one. The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I do not need you,’ nor can the head say to the feet, ‘I do not need you.’

What is more, it is precisely the parts of the body that seem to be the weakest which are the indispensable ones; and it is the least honourable parts of the body that we clothe with the greatest care. So our more improper parts get decorated in a way that our more proper parts do not need. God has arranged the body so that more dignity is given to the parts which are without it, and so that there may not be disagreements inside the body, but that each part may be equally concerned for all the others. If one part is hurt, all parts are hurt with it. If one part is given special honour, all parts enjoy it.

Now you together are Christ’s body; but each of you is a different part of it. In the Church, God has given the first place to apostles, the second to prophets, the third to teachers; after them, miracles, and after them the gift of healing; helpers, good leaders, those with many languages. Are all of them apostles, or all of them prophets, or all of them teachers? Do they all have the gift of miracles, or all have the gift of healing? Do all speak strange languages, and all interpret them?

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 1:1-4. 4:14-21

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him.

He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written:

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.

He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

Communion Antiphon

Look toward the Lord and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed



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, Jack Sealey, Magdalen Sillis, Stewart Briggs, Ed Cory, Philomena Constable (Magdalen Sillis's sister), Cassandra Mallia, Russell Taylor, David & Mary-Anne Webster, Bob Yates.

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:- Joan Hearn, John Boys, Albert Velnaar Jr, Evelyn Anne Matthews, Patrick Bruce Murphy, Mary Magdalen Ahern, Andrew John Johnson, William L Sillis, Ann Donahue & John Roach.

Church Cleaning Thanks!

January—Megan Sheather

Any new volunteers for the cleaning roster will be greatly appreciated.

Please add your name to the blank spaces on the roster in the foyer if you can help, thank you!!



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 : 23rd January 2022 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Ian Buckley

R1; R2: Catherine Mueller & Brigitta Van Deas

Offertory: Rene Mallia

Welcomer/Supervisor: YOUR NAME HERE

Sunday : 30th January 2022 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: David Bishop

R1; R2: Patrick Ellwood & Pauline Segeri

Offertory: Catherine Mueller

Welcomer/Supervisor: YOUR NAME HERE

Reflection

Relax: You are Accepted

The prophet Isaiah had drafted a manifesto for divine action in the world. Jesus of Nazareth *is* divine action in the world, and no doubt his fellow villagers in Nazara would have been thrilled that one of theirs would 'set the downtrodden free'.

But, in proclaiming 'the Lord's Year of *Acceptance*', Jesus inaugurated a revolutionary phase within the Jewish tradition. He invited people to *relax*!! Holiness is not a matter of our *striving*, but of *accepting* that we are *accepted* by the All Merciful God. Good works should follow in response, but good works don't gain our acceptance by God.

How does one best show acceptance of someone, forgiveness of someone, friendship with someone? One relaxes over a meal together. This was Jesus' characteristic way of embodying Divine Acceptance in our world. It still is.

We might pause for a moment to relax into the saving fact that we exist in 'the Lord's Year of Acceptance', that this acceptance is signified and effected by our

sharing in the Bread of Life and the Spiritual Drink of Holy Communion which gives us the energy to help make Divine Acceptance a reality for others.

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Dates for your Diary

2022

26/1—Australia Day

20/2 - Mass at Nerriga at 11AM

Please advise Julie-Ann if you are attending lunch@Pub

April—Women's Retreat

15-17/4—Easter

If you are rostered for cleaning and do not have flowers please contact Pauline Segeri who will provide you with some. Please call her to arrange collection on 6238

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Saint of the Week

Francis de Sales (21 August 1567 – 28 December 1622)

was a Bishop of Geneva and is revered as a saint in the Catholic Church. He became noted for his deep faith and his gentle approach to the religious divisions in his land resulting from the Protestant Reformation. He is known also for his writings on the topic of spiritual direction and spiritual formation, particularly the 'Introduction to the Devout Life' and the 'Treatise on the Love of God.'

St. Francis de Sales has been styled "the Gentleman Saint" because of his patience and gentleness. Despite the resistance of the populace of Lyon to moving his remains from that city, Sales was buried on 24 January 1623 in the church of the Monastery of the Visitation in Annecy, which he had founded with Chantal, who was also buried there. Their remains were venerated there until the French Revolution. Many miracles have been reported at his shrine.

Francis de Sales was beatified in 1661 by Pope Alexander VII, who then canonized him four years later. He was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius IX in 1877.

The Roman Catholic Church celebrates St. Francis de Sales' feast on 24 January, the day of his burial in Annecy in 1624.

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