



**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**



**8th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**27th February, 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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**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 February 2022) & Issued by Archdiocese 23rd February, 2022**

**Masks:** Masks are NOT required indoors as of 25th February however if you are of vulnerable health you are more than welcome to wear them.

**Density Limits NO longer apply**

**Contact Tracing is NOT required as of 18th February.**

**Holy Water fonts can be used.**

**Communion at Mass.** Sacred Host only.

**Hygiene.** Please use the hand sanitizer and practice good hygiene when coughing, sneezing and keeping others safe. If you are unwell please consider the health impact on others. Your discretion is appreciated for our aged and health vulnerable parishioners.

**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 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> collections. Money from EFTPOS will go to the 2<sup>nd</sup> collection.

**Music.** Singing IS permitted .

**After Mass.** Please clean your hands on exiting.

*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

The Lord became my protector.  
He brought me out to a place of freedom;  
he saved me because he delighted in me.

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### First reading

Sir 27:4-7

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,  
so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.  
The kiln tests the work of the potter,  
the test of a man is in his conversation.  
The orchard where the tree grows is judged on the  
quality of its fruit,  
similarly a man's words betray what he feels.  
Do not praise a man before he has spoken,  
since this is the test of men.

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### Responsorial Psalm

**(R.)** *Lord, it is good to give thanks to you*

It is good to give thanks to the Lord  
to make music to your name, O Most High,  
to proclaim your love in the morning  
and your truth in the watches of the night. **(R.)**

The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **(R.)**

Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **(R.)**

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### Second reading

1 Cor 15:54-58

When this perishable nature has put on  
imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put  
on immortality, then the words of scripture will come  
true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is  
your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the  
sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the  
Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory  
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit  
defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always,  
knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in  
vain.

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### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Shine on the world like bright stars;  
you are offering it the word of life.  
Alleluia!

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### Gospel

Lk 6:39-45

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind  
man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The  
disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained  
disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you  
observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never  
notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your  
brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is  
in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your  
own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye  
first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out  
the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

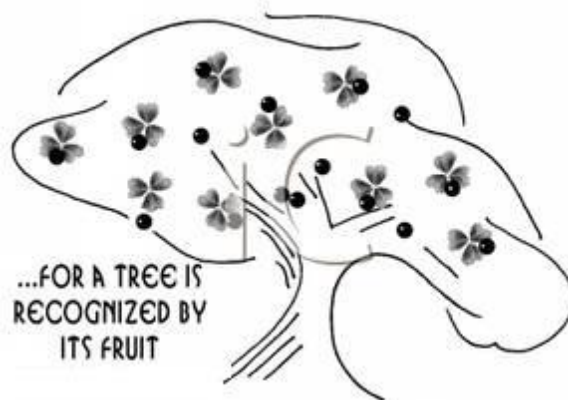
'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor  
again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every  
tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick  
figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A  
good man draws what is good from the store of  
goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad  
from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out  
of what fills his heart.'

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### Communion Antiphon

I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me,  
sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High

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## Shrove Tuesday & Ash Wednesday

Shrove Tuesday is the last day of what traditionally was called "Shrovetide," the week preceding the beginning of Lent. The word itself, *Shrovetide*, is the English equivalent for "Carnival," which is derived from the Latin words *carne[m] levare*, meaning "to take away the flesh." While this was seen as the last chance for merriment, and, unfortunately in some places, has resulted in excessive pleasure, Shrovetide was the time to cast off things of the flesh and to prepare spiritually for Lent.

Actually, the English term provides the best meaning for this period. "To shrive" meant to hear confessions. While this week of Shrovetide condoned the partaking of pleasures from which a person would abstain during Lent, Shrove Tuesday had a special significance in England. Pancakes were prepared and enjoyed, because in so doing a family depleted their eggs, milk, butter, and fat which were part of the Lenten fast. As we prepare to begin Lent, perhaps after a hearty dinner of pancakes on Shrove Tuesday, may we take time for extra prayer, to overcome our weaknesses and to atone for our sins.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday, through which we attain redemption.

The ashes are made from the blessed palms used in the Palm Sunday celebration of the previous year. The ashes are christened with Holy Water and are scented by exposure to incense. While the ashes symbolize penance and contrition, they are also a reminder that God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts. His Divine mercy is of utmost importance during the season of Lent, and the Church calls on us to seek that mercy during the entire Lenten season with reflection, prayer and penance.

### Easy Pancakes

2 cup self-raising flour

1 1/2 cup milk

20g butter, melted

1 tsp vanilla extract

1/4 tsp bicarbonate of soda

2 free range eggs

1/3 cup caster sugar

Sift flour and bicarbonate of soda into a mixing bowl. Stir in sugar, then make a well in centre. In a large jug, whisk together milk, eggs and vanilla. Pour into well, then stir until smooth. Heat a frying pan over medium heat. Brush pan with a little melted butter, then pour 1/4 cup batter into pan, carefully spreading to form a 12cm round. Cook for 2 minutes or until bubbles appear. Turn over and cook for 2 minutes or until golden and cooked through.

**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 & Ann Reardon.

### Recently Deceased:

**Anniversaries:-** Mike Cramsie, Philip Sheather, Vicki Anne Hardy, Richard John Sillis, Thomas Hickey, Mrs Carl Whyte, Brigid Cozier, Mary Lawless, Sidney James Shanahan & Robert Whyte.

### Church Cleaning Thanks!

February—Catherine Mueller

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 : 27th February 2022 8:30 am**

**Minister of the Altar: David Bishop**

**R1; R2: Catherine Mueller & Brigitta van Deas**

**Offertory:**

**Welcomer:**

**Sunday : 6th March 2022 8:30 am**

**Minister of the Altar: Chris Murdock**

**R1; R2: Mary-Anne Curran & Pauline Segeri**

**Offertory: Jenny Amey & Helen Jewell**

**Welcomer: Stephen Dunkerley**

## News from the Archdiocese and beyond

Bishop Pat has turned 80 yrs old and his birthday was celebrated at St Thomas More with a Rabbitoh's cake last Sunday. He was presented with Rosary beads in his beloved Rabbitoh's colours. Full story here

[Cake and colours for 'pilgrim priest's' 80th - Catholic Voice](#)

Fr. Laurie Blake's life was celebrated  
['Companion on the Journey': Bishop Pat reflects - Catholic Voice](#)

A Lenten online retreat offered by Jamberoo Abbey. Join us this Lent in a journey to look honestly into our heart and soul and to courageously identify that which blocks our capacity to draw closer to God, to dip our toe, even just a little, into the healing waters of the tears of compunction, and to experience the full warmth of those waters as we immerse ourselves more fully.

[Online Retreat – High Horses, Scapegoats and Donkeys: A Lenten Odyssey](#)



### 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

## *Dates for your Diary*

### **MARCH:**

**Fridays @ St Mary's**—Rosary & Reflection 9am

**2nd**—Ash Wednesday Service 9AM

**6th**—1st Sunday of Lent

### **APRIL:**

**2-3/4** —MenAlive Retreat in the hall

**9/4**—Women's Retreat in the hall

**10/4**—Palm Sunday

**14-17/4**—Passion & Resurrection of the Lord

## *Reflection*

### Disciples or Mask Wearers?

In ancient Greece actors wore masks which concealed the face. One may say they were 'two-faced'. They were called 'Hypocrites', and we derive our word and the idea of 'hypocrite' from that. As did Jesus.

He could always see through the veneer which people (such as you and I) present to the outside world, and his gaze would (and still can) penetrate through to the heart – the core of the personality.

For us, judging the heart of someone is fraught with risk. As Jesus humorously put it, how readily we see the smallest splinter of sawdust in someone else's eye, and in super-critical mode fail to see the plank of wood which impairs and distorts *our* vision. We should not rush to judgment.

The fact is that only the gaze of God can really penetrate to the heart of someone. We know that the gaze of Jesus, Who is God, is always a loving gaze visualising a heart open to salvation. (Mk 10:17-22)

This is one of the reasons why recent Popes have opposed capital punishment. Time must be given for the heart of the convicted criminal to respond to that loving gaze. And it leaves the Final Judgment, even of the murderer, to God.

Listen to the dying moments of Our Lord. His loving gaze penetrated beyond the masks and actions of his tormentors and focused on their hearts. Then he cried out this plea: 'Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.'

We are all conscious of the times we have fallen short of the practice and teaching of our Master despite our praying: 'Forgive us our trespasses as *we* forgive those who trespass against us.'

We could pause for a moment to pray that The Teacher's loving gaze fall upon us to make us whole-hearted disciples willing 'to be formed by divine teaching'.

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