



**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



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th July, 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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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.

A Message from Father Mick Burke

Not long after I arrived in this area, David Webster handed me a copy of the 'St Mary's Management Plan'. This is a comprehensive document; the result of serious consultation and discussion, outlining a vision for the future. The Parish Pastoral Council will use this plan to identify priorities and implement recommendations for the pastoral benefit of all parishioners. There are some things not covered in the management plan which I consider important for a community reading the signs of our times and giving genuine expression to our solidarity with the poor and marginalized. Social justice, expressing our care for refugees, slave labour, etc and practical suggestions for the needy in our community and overseas. Once again I just remind all parishioners to share your ideas with a member of the PPC -Chris Murdock, Helen Jewell, Jenny Amey, Tess Montesin, David Bishop & Julie-Ann Snudden.

Following is a brief summary of matters discussed at our first gathering:

There are 17 goals that were mentioned in the Management Plan and at this gathering we discussed the first 8 goals. They ranged from how we can best identify Catholics within the Parish boundary and to develop and implement an effective communication strategy to using email, web, social & print media. What the needs of our parish are – including Sacramental, Spiritual, Financial and Pastoral needs and building and maintaining Social activities to meet the needs of the parish and to build the faith community through outreach.

We are meeting again 9th August and ask the parish to pray for the PPC and the discernment of a Leader/Leaders.

Please feel free to contact us about any other points you would like discussed.



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

See, I have God for my help.
The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

First reading

Gen 18:1-10

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.' Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree. 'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *The just will live in the presence of the Lord.*

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart;
he who does not slander with his tongue. **(R.)**

He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the godless in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord. **(R.)**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever. **(R.)**

Second reading

Col 1:24-28

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 10:38-42

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

Communion Antiphon

Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord.
If anyone hears my voice and opens the door to me,
I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me.

Revised Women's Motions on Plenary Council Final Day (from the Catholic Weekly)

The co-director of the Sydney-based Marriage Resource Centre, Francine Pirola, said that the Council had produced a "vastly improved" revision of section 4 of the Motions and Amendments document on women which had been the focus of a major disruption mid-week.

"Instead of being comprised of only two motions, all of the action items were separated out, so that was really good and felt a lot more respectful," she said. "The document was theologically more concise and accurate as well, so I think that made it easier for people to swing behind it," she said. "Mostly the women who had previously been very distressed seemed to be happy with it."

Oran Park parishioner Erin Gillard said in a media briefing that the revision by a four-member committee, presented to members on the previous evening, was a better reflection of the experience of women broadly in the Church.

"Where ever they find themselves on the spectrum of what it is to be a Catholic woman we've found a mid-point," she said. "It was an opportunity for a foundation and a starting point. I feel like I can go home to my daughter now and say yes, the Catholic Church values women and men, and it is a good day in that respect."

Committee member Canossian Sister Melissa Dwyer, who served on the committee along with University of Notre Dame Prof. Renee Kohler-Ryan, National Head of the School of Philosophy and Theology, told the *Catholic Weekly* that she was pleased they both had also been part of the original drafting process.

"So I'm confident that it's a document that really honours the spirit in the room," she said. "At the same time I'm also confident that we've taken into consideration the original inspiration that came from those thousands of people that have been part in this journey all the way from the beginning of the different phases of listening and discernment."

Prof. Kohler-Ryan said the greatest challenge and responsibility was trying to do justice to such a diverse range of views expressed in discussion and written feedback. "The wisdom of Christ's Church, her Scripture and tradition, shines a path that actually places demands on all of us," she said.

"Catholics are still to realise the 'hour of woman' that Paul VI spoke about at the close of the Second Vatican Council.

"As the drafting team has expressed: there is still much work to be done."

Following an emergency meeting of the bishops and the council's steering committee on 6 July, the Council members agreed to change to a more flexible format allowing for greater discussion and consideration of the issues presented in the guiding document.

Eighteen of the 19 motions considered on Friday passed including all five motions in Part 4 of the document, entitled 'Witnessing to the Equal Dignity of Women and Men'.

Please pray for:- Lauren Horton, Frank Shugg, Margaret Mikkelsen, Erwin Feeken, Maureen Boss, Sheather family, Doris and Roger Cutbill, Diana Robertson, Luke Alam, Bob Angel, Patrick Elwood, Peter Gagliardi, Annie Nikolaou, Jack Sealey, Magdalen Sillis, Stewart Briggs, Ed Cory, Cassandra Mallia, Russell Taylor, David & Mary-Anne Webster, Bob Yates, Ann Reardon, Mary Coombe, Ian Buckley's daughter Marie, Wayne Smith & Karen & Glen Toscan.

Recently Deceased: Maurice Lindsay, Loyola Smith

Anniversaries:- Grace Sutor, John Nash, Elizabeth Griffin, Anne Byrne, Ronald Thompson, Marjorie James, William Flanagan & Maria Sant.

Church Cleaning Thanks!

July — VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Mary-Anne & John Curran for every Wednesday!



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 : 17th July 2022 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: John Windsor

R1; R2: Sue & Geoff Orchison

Offertory: Pauline Segeri & Renate Marz

Welcomer: Julie-Ann Snudden

Sunday : 24th July 2022 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Anna Melek

R1; R2: Alison & David Bishop

Offertory: Catherine Mueller &

Welcomer:

News from the Archdiocese and beyond

Guys on their knees praying in Sydney's wild weather wins a global audience

An amateur video of men praying the Rosary on their knees in the midst of pouring rain and wild storms in Sydney last weekend has gone viral and been seen by more than a million people world-wide.

The 30-second clip of The Men's Rosary Crusade on the forecourt of St Mary's Cathedral in the heart of Sydney's CBD is now taking social media by storm ... literally. Filmed on a phone in atrocious weather conditions, around 100 men prayed the Rosary on their knees for around an hour while torrential rain bucketed down around them. To date, the simple video has reached almost 1,044,800 people, with 9000 likes, been shared almost 8000 times and attracted more than 12,000 comments and still going.

"The Sydney Men's Rosary Crusade is held at the Cathedral every month in honour of women "because we love them and want them to know that we are praying for them.

"These men recognise there are thousands of others out there like them in Sydney and Australia, and hope that their public witness through this Rosary Crusade will encourage others to more courageously share the good news in love wherever they may be."

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Dates for your Diary

Wednesday Mass & Cuppa - 9am Mass then join us as we share afterward at local café.

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

Sunday 17th July—SOCIAL SUNDAY join us for a cuppa after Mass

Reflection

A Cardinal Role for Women?

Jesus turned the customs and taboos of his society upside down. In this Gospel, against all the rules of segregation, Jesus is alone with women who are *not* his relatives, completely at ease with their hospitality. It is personal relationships, not gender determined relationships, which are important to him.

Further, here is Mary assuming the posture of a student at the feet of a Rabbi (teacher) listening to his teaching. We remember that Jesus had chosen his male disciples in order to teach *them*. Mary chooses *Him* to teach *her*! Maybe it was a counter-cultural step too far for Martha. Is that what she is really 'anxious and troubled' about?

Jesus was willing to upset the social conventions and religious taboos of his day in respect of women. What would be a good contemporary response of the Catholic Church?

The word 'cardinal' means hinge – 'hinge of the door' – an essential part of the structure of the Church which is our home, in which we listen to the words of Jesus Christ. Could the College of Cardinals be supplemented to include women alongside the ordained male

prelates? Outstanding women, religious or lay, could head some Vatican departments and take part in the election of the Pope.

That would be a strongly symbolic step with repercussions throughout the Church.

We could pause for a moment to pray for the Church to show a greater willingness to sit, like Mary, at the feet of Jesus so that we may hear his words: 'You have chosen the better portion.'

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