

## St Mary's Bungendore St Joseph's Gundaroo St Peter & Paul's Hoskinstown St Joseph's Tarago

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### 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

**21st August, 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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Thursday—9:00am—3:30pm

#### **BUNGENDORE, BRAIDWOOD and REGION MASS TIMES**

<u>Bungendore</u>: Sunday 8.30am; <u>Weekday Mass</u>: Wednesday 9am <u>Braidwood</u>: Saturday 6.00pm <u>Weekday Mass</u>: 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.

# Reflection

#### Can the Dalai Lama be saved?

'[People] from east and west, north and south . . . will feast in the Kingdom of God.' Amongst those people, will there be Buddhists, Muslims, Hindus, atheists?

The surprising answer of Catholic Christianity is: 'Yes, but always through the working of the Holy Spirit of Our Lord Jesus Christ, who can prompt the heart of *any* person *any*where at *any* time with divine grace so that that person strives to lead a life of compassion and justice and not harming innocent creatures.' Obviously, this work of the Holy Spirit could encompass millions if not billions of people who have never heard the Gospel.

If the slogan: 'No salvation outside the Church' is taken to mean no-one can be saved unless he/she is a baptised member of the Catholic Church then it is a heresy explicitly condemned by Popes.

Nevertheless, we must pray and work for the conversion of all people so that they might have the advantage of all the aids of Word and Sacrament which we draw on as direction and strength on our journey towards the destiny which God desires for each one of us.

We could pause for a moment to acknowledge the boundless mercy of God, but also praying that all peoples might share our privilege of participating in that Holy Communion which is the foretaste of the banquet prophesied by Jesus in today's Gospel.

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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**

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

#### First reading

Is 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

(R.) Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples! (R.)

Strong is his love for us; he is faithful for ever. (R.)

### Second reading

Heb 12:5-7, 11-13

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

Gospel

Lk 13:22-30

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

**Communion Antiphon** 

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;

you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart

A Warm Welcome to Abigail & Edith Kwan and their parents Nikita & Ko Sun.

Abigail & Edith were baptised here on Saturday.





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, Wayne Smith & Karen Toscan.

Recently Deceased: Glen Toscan & Richard Bale.

Anniversaries:- Shirley Coombe, Norah Starrs, Sylvester Smith, Joseph Murphy, Catherine White, Robert Ahern, Peter Millynn, Robert Ahern, John Gallagher & Mary Jane Donoghue.

## Church Cleaning Thanks! August— Mary-Anne & John Curran

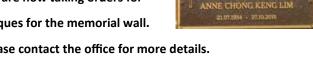


Plagues for Memorial Wall We are now taking orders for

plaques for the memorial wall.

Please contact the office for more details.

The above format will be the one used.



#### **Liturgical Roster**

Sunday: 21st August 2022 8:30 am Minister of the Altar: John Windsor R1; R2: Brigitta Van Deas & Julie-Ann Offertory: Pauline Segeri & Renate Marz

Welcomer: Julie-Ann

Sunday: 28th August 2022 8:30 am Minister of the Altar: Anna Melek R1; R2: Sue & Geoff Orchison Offertory: Catherine Mueller Welcomer:

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### News from the Archdiocese and beyond

# Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation Malvern VIC, (03) 9890 1101

Assertiveness - Trusting Your Own Inner Voice (via Zoom), Tuesday evening 30 Aug 2022, 7pm-9.30pm (AEST). This reflection event will explore: assertiveness - what it is and what it is not; why being assertive is adult behaviour that builds up everyone's strength and capacity to love; finding within ourselves that voice of God that echoes who I am as good in the eyes of God; what is it that distorts this perspection and how that influences my judgement and behaviour; being assertive with God; being with an assertive God. Led by Chris Chaplin msc (MSCX, Dip Transpersonal & Experiential Psychotherapy, Theol, Cert Spir Dir (Siloam)). Cost \$35. Book and pay by 26/8/22 via <a href="https://www.heartoflife.melbourne">www.heartoflife.melbourne</a>

# Dates for your Diary

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

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

#### For direct credit payments to the Parish:

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#### **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

We have a new donation tap and go machine at the back of church. They are quite standard however you can now choose how much of set amounts you want to give or enter your own amount. Thank you for supporting this parish in whatever way you choose.

21st August —11am Mass at Araluen21st August ALSO-SOCIAL SUNDAY gather after Mass

17th September—First Reconciliation 10.30am
18th September—First Holy Communion Mass

# Breaking open the Word....

**God's Word** 

**Passwords and Mazes** 

A major theme of the Scripture readings is 'Entering the Kingdom'.

The first reading from Isaiah proclaims that the Good News is for all people in all countries. It does not matter what language they speak or where they live. God is speaking to them – and to us. Missionaries are sent out to proclaim the Good News and to call people of all nations to join them in Israel, the holy place of God's dwelling.

The psalm also calls on us to share the message of God with all people. It includes a promise that the Lord will stay with us always, and it states that we are to praise and honour our God.

The second reading is a lesson in discipline. No one likes to follow rules. No one likes to be punished. But the writer of today's passage knows that parents discipline us because they love us. So, too, God sets rules for us to live by. We are all still in training for the race (mentioned in last week's readings), and we need to build up our arms and legs. We are told to make straight our path – or perhaps to clean up our act.

The Gospel reading tells how Jesus travelled to Jerusalem. Many people ask how to be saved and enter God's Kingdom. There is no easy answer. Jesus uses the example of the narrow door to describe how difficult it might be to enter the Kingdom. We want to enter the Kingdom on our own terms, but it is up to God to decide. Jesus is the narrow door that leads to the Kingdom, and we need to walk with Jesus. As in the first reading, salvation is offered to all, but some choose to reject it. Those who hear the word of God and respond will be invited to the

Once again, Jesus turns the normal way of looking at things upside down. The 'last will be first and... [the] first will be last.' Those who think they hold the keys to the kingdom might be left standing outside a locked door.

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