



St Mary's Bungendore
 St Joseph's Gundaroo
 St Peter & Paul's Hoskinstown
 St Joseph's Tarago
<http://cg.org.au/bungendore/Home.aspx>
 Fr. Mick Burke 0448 414 541



First Sunday of ADVENT

27th November, 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

BUNGENDORE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Helen Jewell (Chairperson)
 David Bishop
 Jenny Amey
 Chris Murdock
 Tess Montesin
 Julie-Ann Snudden
 Fr. Mick Burke (ex-officio)

BUNGENDORE PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Greg Darmody (Chairperson)
 Michele Murdock
 Ian Cusack
 Ed Cory
 Stephen Dunkerley
 Fr. Mick Burke (ex-officio)

BUNGENDORE, BRAIDWOOD and REGION MASS TIMES

Bungendore : Sunday 8.30am; **Weekday Mass:** Wednesday 9am **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 9-9.30am

Braidwood: Saturday 6.00pm **Weekday Mass:** Tuesday 10.00am **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 5-5.15pm

Hoskinstown: Four times a year—1st Sunday Feb, May, Aug & Nov 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

On behalf of Sr. Mila and the girls at the Dominican orphanage in Pante Makassa, I am extremely grateful to those parishioners who generously contributed to the pressing need for rice and also repairs of the very old vehicle. I sent \$2,000 Australian immediately and will send more money in the next week. The currency in Timor Leste is the American dollar. The Catholic Development Fund hold our account in Australia and are wonderful at transferring money to our BNU account in Dili. As one parishioner has already discovered the banks don't have the account details as published in the bulletin and is best utilized for on line transactions.

It was wonderful to see the significant number of parishioners who attended the meeting after Mass last Sunday for an update on the pre-school and the other major issues being dealt with by your Finance Council. A special thanks to Greg Darmody, Michele Murdock and Ian Cusack. I hope the information was helpful and will counteract any misinformation in the community.

Yours in Christ,

Mick Burke



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

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

First reading

Is 2:1-5

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come
the mountain of the Temple of the Lord
shall tower above the mountains
and be lifted higher than the hills.
All the nations will stream to it,
peoples without number will come to it; and they will
say:

‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the Temple of the God of Jacob
that he may teach us his ways
so that we may walk in his paths;
since the Law will go out from Zion,
and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.’

He will wield authority over the nations
and adjudicate between many peoples;
these will hammer their swords into ploughshares,
their spears into sickles.
Nation will not lift sword against nation,
there will be no more training for war.
O House of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.*

I rejoiced when I heard them say:
‘Let us go to God’s house.’
And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem. **(R.)**

It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord.
For Israel’s law it is,
there to praise the Lord’s name.
There were set the thrones of judgement
of the house of David. **(R.)**

For the peace of Jerusalem pray:
‘Peace be to your homes!
May peace reign in your walls,
in your palaces, peace!’ **(R.)**

For love of my brethren and friends
I say: ‘Peace upon you!’
For love of the house of the Lord
I will ask for your good. **(R.)**

Second reading

Rom 13:11-14

You know ‘the time’ has come: you must wake up
now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we
were converted. The night is almost over, it will be
daylight soon – let us give up all the things we prefer
to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves
and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people
do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity
or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let
your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mt 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘As it was in Noah’s day, so
will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those
days before the Flood people were eating, drinking,
taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day
Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing
till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like
this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in
the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the
millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

‘So stay awake, because you do not know the day
when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of
this that if the householder had known at what time of
the night the burglar would come, he would have
stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to
break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you
too must stand ready because the Son of Man is
coming at an hour you do not expect.’

Communion Antiphon

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall
yield its increase.

The Night Is Far Spent

We know for sure that Santa Claus is coming to town; and so is Snoopy, Peanuts, Frosty, the Grinch, Rudolph, and more seasonal visitors than we may care to name. We also know that Jesus is coming, but he doesn't advertise his arrival as relentlessly as these others so we aren't sure quiet when. Will he arrive in time for the holidays? Too late to stop the next war? Too soon for me to acquire all the things I'd like to have in this world?

This is the Advent from which the season takes its name. Jesus is coming, and his advent is the one all these modern myths seek to recreate. Will Charlie Brown find the real meaning of Christmas? Only with a Scripture-quoting friend like Linus. With the Grinch get a life? Only if he opens his eyes to the world he's always had. Jesus is coming all the time, but we won't know it if we refuse to change. That is the purpose of Advent, to give us fair notice that it's time to take time seriously.

For whom or what are you waiting?

Be a friend like Linus to someone who has not heard the message of the story of Bethlehem. Share your faith with someone who is still waiting for love to come.

The night is about over, dawn is about to break. Be up and awake to what God is doing

*Wedding Congratulations to
Hanna Darmody & Josh Wells who
were married here last Saturday.
We wish them a lifetime of wedded
bliss!*



*A Warm Welcome to:
Marley Montesin and her parents
Danni & Damien Montesin,
and to Edward Ryan and his parents
Melanie & Eamon Ryan.
Marley was baptised
here on Saturday and
Edward at St Joseph's today!*



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:

Anniversaries:- Allan Dunk, Paula Bannerman, Maddie Wakeling, Patricia Sheather, Gregory Gordon, Mary Roach & Eliza Jane McGrogan.

Church Cleaning Thanks!

November—

Helen Jewell

December—

Tess Montesin & Rene Mallia



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 November 2022 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Ian Buckley

R1; R2: Alison & David Bishop

Offertory:

Welcomer:

Sunday : 4th December 2022 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Chris Murdock

R1; R2: Julie-Ann Snudden & Brigitta van Deas

Offertory: Helen Jewell & Jenny Amey

Welcomer:

Plenary Council Update

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has formally approved the acts and decrees of the Fifth Plenary Council, which will now be sent to the Apostolic See for review. The documents, which comprise five volumes across hundreds of pages, were received at the Bishops Conference's plenary meeting last week.

"It was quite a poignant moment as we sensed – once again – the significance of the Council in the life of the Church in Australia," said Bishops Conference president Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB, who also served as president of the Plenary Council.

"In fact, my recent trip to Rome underlined how closely the Church around the world was watching the Plenary Council and how aspects of it are being lived out through the global Synod for a Synodal Church."

The decrees are available on the Plenary Council website, where they were published after the Council's second assembly.

"What we have sent to Rome is what emerged from the two assemblies, but also what was uncovered during the earlier stages of our journey," Archbishop Costelloe said.

"They are, in many ways, a capturing of – as *Gaudium et Spes* proposed from the Second Vatican Council – 'the joys and the hopes, the griefs and the anxieties' of the People of God."

The Bishops Conference also approved the terms of reference for the review of the implementation of the

Plenary Council. The terms of reference were set out by the Bishops Commission for the Plenary Council, which concluded its work at last week's plenary meeting. The terms of reference for the implementation phase of the Council have been published on the Plenary Council website: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

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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—9am PRAY FOR PEACE Rosary & Reflection

Fridays—Clever Craft in the Hall 10.30am until 1.30pm

November 30 @ 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Reopening and

Blessing of Sts Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral Goulburn

December 4@11:00 AM—Mass at Nerriga

December 18@ 6pm—Combined Anglican Carols in St Peters & Paul's Hoskinstown afterwards supper in the hall.

Reflection

The first Sunday of Advent sees the commencement of the new liturgical year. This new liturgical cycle is referred to as Year A and features the gospel of Matthew. (Year B features the gospel of Mark and Year C, that we have just completed, features the gospel of Luke.) Advent comes from the Latin word *Adventus* which literally means 'coming'; it is also reflected in the Greek word *Parousia*, which is used to describe the second coming of Jesus. So Advent is a time of preparation and anticipation of the coming of Christ into the world that is celebrated in the Nativity at Christmas. The gospel passage chosen for today's reading richly expresses that anticipation and need for preparation.

It may seem a little confusing that we begin our year-long exploration of the gospel of Matthew by taking a reading from chapter 24. However, the need for readiness and alertness that Jesus speaks about in relation to the coming of the Kingdom is equally suitable for a modern audience when preparing to celebrate once again the coming of Jesus into the world. Jesus is the best expression of the Kingdom that we have yet experienced and so rather than seeing the choice of this passage as a confusion, we should recognise the alignment that exists between the anticipation of the Kingdom and the anticipation of the Nativity.

The two great feasts of Christianity – the Nativity and Easter – are each preceded by a period of preparation: Advent and Lent. The emphasis of these seasons is on the mental and spiritual preparation to fully enter into one of the great mysteries of faith. In the Nativity, we celebrate God become human; God present in the world in a physical way. Advent is a time to remember the many and varied ways that God continues to be present in the world.