



St Mary's Bungendore
 St Joseph's Gundaroo
 St Peter & Paul's Hoskinstown
 St Joseph's Tarago
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 Fr. Mick Burke 0448 414 541



4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

29th January, 2023

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)
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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.

Reflection

Far from an airy-fairy pious teaching, the Beatitudes are an incisive critique of the values and codes of behaviour found in the twenty-first century. In a world where success is measured by possessions, Jesus called blessed those who are poor in spirit. In a country where pain and death are avoided at all costs, Jesus called those who mourn. In companies and corporations where people jockey for power, Jesus called blessed those who are meek. In a litigious society that often seeks revenge, Jesus called blessed peacemakers and the merciful. Though Jesus taught the Beatitudes two thousand years ago, they remain timeless challenges and critiques of our contemporary culture.

Pray

Jesus, your Beatitudes turn the standards and ethics of our world topsy-turvy. They reveal to us that in the kingdom of heaven, there's more to life than meets the eye. Give us the grace to embrace these counter-cultural teachings and to live them out at home and in the office. May we come to be called "blessed". Amen.

Ponder

How do the Beatitudes challenge my current way of living?



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

Save us, O Lord our God!
And gather us from the nations,
to give thanks to your holy name,
and make it our glory to praise you.

First reading

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13

Seek the Lord all you, the humble of the earth,
who obey his commands.
Seek integrity, seek humility:
you may perhaps find shelter
on the day of the anger of the Lord.
In your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people,
and those who are left in Israel will seek refuge in the
name of the Lord.
They will do no wrong, will tell no lies;
and the perjured tongue will no longer
be found in their mouths.
But they will be able to graze and rest
with no one to disturb them.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!*

It is the Lord who keeps faith forever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **(R.)**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down,
the Lord, who protects the stranger
and upholds the widow and orphan. **(R.)**

It is the Lord who loves the just
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. **(R.)**

Second reading

1 Cor 1:26-31

Take yourselves, brothers, at the time when you were
called: how many of you were wise in the ordinary
sense of the word, how many were influential people,
or came from noble families? No, it was to shame the
wise that God chose what is foolish by human
reckoning, and to shame what is strong that he chose
what is weak by human reckoning; those whom the

world thinks common and contemptible are the ones
that God has chosen – those who are nothing at all to
show up those who are everything. The human race
has nothing to boast about to God, but you, God has
made members of Christ Jesus and by God's doing he
has become our wisdom, and our virtue, and our
holiness, and our freedom. As scripture says: if anyone
wants to boast, let him boast about the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Rejoice and be glad;
Your reward will be great in heaven.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mt 5:1-12

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat
down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began
to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit:
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Happy the gentle:
they shall have the earth for their heritage.
Happy those who mourn:
they shall be comforted.
Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is
right:
they shall be satisfied.
Happy the merciful:
they shall have mercy shown them.
Happy the pure in heart:
they shall see God.
Happy the peacemakers:
they shall be called sons of God.
Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of
right:
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute
you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my
account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be
great in heaven.'

Communion Antiphon

Let your face shine on your servant.
Save me in your merciful love.
O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

Mindful Moment

I become still, aware of the Lord's presence with me, loving me just as I am. Perhaps I sense the warmth of his tender gaze upon me and rest with him for a few moments. Then I read these familiar 'Beatitudes' slowly and carefully, a number of times, taking them line by line, pausing wherever my attention is drawn. If it seems helpful, I may like to picture myself on the hill in front of Jesus, listening to his words as if for the first time. In each Beatitude, I notice what is being promised and to whom. Perhaps I think of 'happy' as meaning blessed, favoured, fortunate . . . Is there a 'happiness' or blessing that stands out for me? Is there one I'd really like to have? Or perhaps a mixture of them?

What blessing(s) do I desire for my family and friends, my community, the world . . .? What blessings do I see in my own life? I thank God for what I've been given. How do I want to respond? To whom can I be a blessing today? I try to be conscious of the Lord being gently present to me as I ponder these questions with him. When I feel ready, I slowly end my prayer, thanking the Lord for all his goodness.

'Glory be . . .'

Courtesy of St Beuno's Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham, UK



*A Warm Welcome to
Hartland Cleghorn and his parents
Errin & Andrew Cleghorn*

*Hartland was 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, Bob Yates, Ann Reardon, Mary Coombe, Wayne Smith, Karen Toscan, Pam Finch & Bob Fletcher.

Recently Deceased: Margaret Coyle

Anniversaries:- John Bowring, Glenn Michael Sheppard, Henry Gordon Yates, Frank Joseph Walsh, Charles Lyons Nash, Annie Couch, Matilda Flynn, Clifford Lee, Rev Fr John McCusker, Jane Josephine Cranny, William Lamkin, Carmelita Jean Murphy & Isabella McGrath.

Church Cleaning Thanks!

January/February

Catherine Mueller



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 29th January 2023 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Anna Melek

R1; R2: Alison & David Bishop

Offertory: H Jewell & J Amey

Welcomer: Julie-Ann Snudden

Sunday : 5th February 2023 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Chris Murdock

R1; R2: Sue & Geoff Orchison

Offertory:

Welcomer:

News from the Archdiocese and beyond

Golden Jubilee Mass of Saint Christopher's
Cathedral Sunday 5th February 11am

Join us to celebrate the 50 Year Anniversary of Saint
Christopher's Cathedral, as the Mother Church of the
Archdiocese. Reception follows at 12pm Haydon Hall.

Sacred Connections On-line retreat (Benedictine
Abbey, Jamberoo)

February 12 @ 8:00 AM - March 26 @ 5:00 PM \$300.00

In this retreat (comprising of 6 conferences delivered
over a period of 6 weeks electronically) Sr Antonia
Curtis OSB and Theresa Ardler will be pondering the
values of Silence/Listening, Reverence and Community,
all of which are integral to Aboriginal Spirituality and
Benedictine Spirituality. The retreat stretches' out
hands of friendship towards each other – honouring
both ways of striving to live in harmony and peace.

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project. BSB 062786 . A/C 000028521 ref. Timor donation

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

Sunday 5th February—Mass at Hoskinstown 10.30am

A Message from Father Mick Burke

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

This past week the Trustees will have signed a new lease agreement for the pre-school on behalf of our community. Whilst it is significantly less than could be achieved if we went to tender, nevertheless it will be a source of income for ongoing maintenance in the parish. This was a task entrusted to me on my appointment to St. Mary's. Next on the agenda is the sale of the Sutton land which will seed the larger project of the building of six units on our land. We have a buyer for the land but it needs the approval of the N.S.W government.

I'm in the process of forming a small team to offer a course during Lent to update interested parishioners in what we believe. It will be for an hour each week in Lent and is open to all people, especially those who want to know about the Catholic Church. There will be ample opportunity for discussion and questions.

Within the next two months I will have a Mass program for Braidwood and Bungendore parishes and the outlying stations attached to the parishes. This task hasn't been easy and will favour those who need to travel long distances. I am most grateful to Narelle and Greg Buckley who for the past four years have coordinated the Gundaroo community and I thank Di Sutherland for taking on this responsibility.

Yours in Christ,

Mick Burke