



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



17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

30th July, 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

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 Fr. Mick Burke (ex-officio)

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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.



Enquiring minds need answers.....

Are you interested in finding out about the Catholic faith or deepening your faith? Do you have questions you'd like answers to?

Fr. Mick, Sue & Geoff Orchison are presenting a wonderful program on **Tuesday nights at 7pm** in the Parish house. Come along and join others on this journey of discovery. Give Fr. Mick a call or just come along.



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

God is in his holy place,
God who unites those who dwell in his house;
he himself gives might and strength to his people.

First reading

1 Kings 3:5.7-12

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *Lord, I love your commands.*

My part, I have resolved, O Lord,
is to obey your word.
The law from your mouth means more to me
than silver and gold. **(R.)**

Let your love be ready to console me
by your promise to your servant.
Let your love come to me and I shall live
for your law is my delight. **(R.)**

That is why I love your commands
more than finest gold.
That is why I rule my life by your precepts:
I hate false ways. **(R.)**

Your will is wonderful indeed;
therefore I obey it.
The unfolding of your word gives light
and teaches the simple. **(R.)**

Second reading

Romans 8:28-30

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 13:44-52

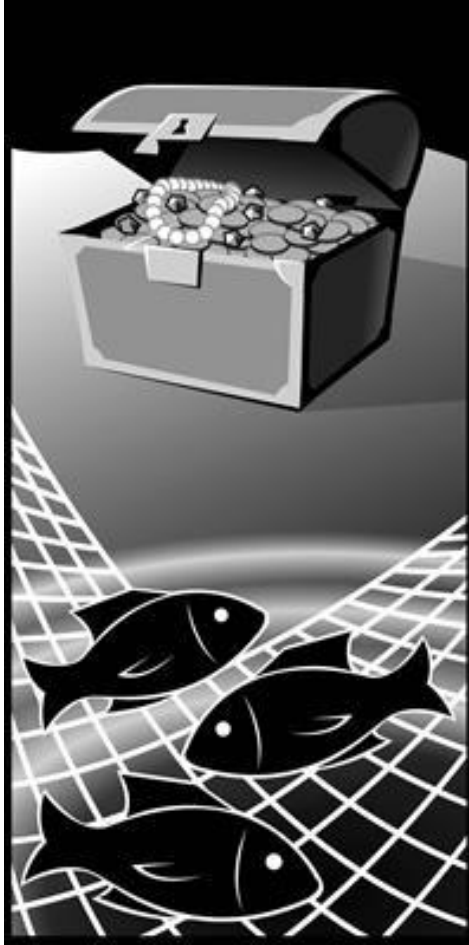
Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.
'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.
'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.
'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

Communion Antiphon

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and never forget all his benefits.

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field

The 23rd Psalm



The Lord is my Shepherd—That's Relationship!
I shall not want—That's supply
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures—
That's Rest!
He leadeth me beside the still waters—that's
Refreshment
He restoreth my soul—That's Healing
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness—
That's Guidance
For His name sake—That's Purpose
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death—That's testing!
I will fear no evil—That's Protection!
For thou art with me—That's Faithfulness
Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me—That's
Discipline!
Thou prepares a table before me in the presence
of mine enemies—That's Hope!
Thou anointest my head with oil—That's
Consecration!
My cup runneth over—That's Abundance!
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all
the days of my life—That's Blessing!
And I will live in the house of the Lord—That's
Security!
Forever— That's Eternity!!!

Sent in by Pauline S

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, Bob Yates, Ann Reardon, Mary Coombe, Wayne Smith, Karen Toscan, Pam Finch, Rene Mallia, Trish McRoberts, Ken & Cathy Vine & Elizabeth Van Gessel .

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:- Sadie Roufeil, Joseph Montesin, Herrick Rees, Patrick Roach, Nora Lewis, Annie Robinson, Ellen Cullen, Mary Anne Leach, Catherine Daly, Rachel Gallagher, Sarah Hatch, Edward Allen, George Curran, Mary Seery & Michael Curran.

Church Cleaning Thanks!

JULY : Mary-Ann Curran



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 : 30th July 2023 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Chris Murdock

R1; R2: Julie-Ann Snudden & Catherine Mueller

Offertory:

Welcomer:

Sunday : 6th August 2023 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Thomas Konarski

R1; R2: Catherine Mueller & Julie-Ann Snudden

Offertory: Tess Montesin & Rene Mallia

Welcomer: Julie-Ann Snudden

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

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 .

Araluen—Tuesday 8th August 11AM - Feast Day of Saint Mary of the Cross

Nerriga—Sunday 20th August 11AM then lunch @PUB

Parish News

HAVE YOU GOT SOME EXCITING NEWS TO SHARE WITH THE PARISH?

A new baby to the family or other happy news? Prayers of thanks? Let me know and I will share the joy with our parish

News from the Archdiocese and beyond

The Good Shepherd prayer group invites you to our New Life in God's Spirit seminar. It's a 7 week seminar held every Wednesday evening 7pm-9pm from Weds 19 July to Weds 30 August at St Peter Chanel's, Weston St, Yarralumla. Teachings, worship, prayer and fellowship. Everyone is welcome to encounter Jesus in a deeper way! For more info and to register, call Susanna 0419 902 293 or Neda 0415 266 019.

Reflection

Kingdom Stories

The last few weeks we've been treated with kingdom stories. Some are casual, like the woman kneading dough or the sower going out to plant a field. Some are loaded with suppressed excitement: the merchant finding the pearl, or the discovery of treasure in an unmarked field. What kind of kingdom can be glimpsed from a net cast lightly into the sea, emerging with the day's catch AND a year's worth of junk?

What's clear is that the kingdom of God isn't a simple idea. It's not the usual religious jaunt from a life of good works to a heavenly reward. The kingdom is known through fidelity to small tasks yet holds enormous surprises and can lead to high spiritual gambles. We may be willing to put a pinch of piety into the dough and watch the bread rise. But not all of us will sell everything, even to purchase the brightest pearl on earth. Gamble, with our nest egg?

In fact, every kingdom story has its own risk factor. Not every loaf will rise, not every field sown will produce a yield. The dragnet of human experience pulls up what's useful to spiritual growth and more garbage to haul around. We're choosing, in every minute, how much we will sacrifice, how much to risk.

Pray

Surprising God, is your presence like yeast, or engulfing weeds, or reckless investment, or indiscriminate fishing? As we ponder your reign among us, demand our attention and inspire our service. Alert and revitalised, we thank you. Amen.

Ponder

Bake a loaf of bread. Plant a seed. Go fishing. Invest in something really important. But whatever you do, consider how your actions teach about God's kingdom and how it comes into the world through you.

Kids' Corner

It's not always easy being a kid, is it? So much to learn and so many questions to ask! Young Solomon felt that way too. Before his father King David died, he appointed Solomon the new king. Solomon was afraid. He would have to lead his people, but he didn't know how. He knew he needed guidance, so he turned to God. He asked for an understanding heart and the wisdom to know right from wrong. The Lord was pleased when Solomon knew he could always trust in the Lord's support and love. You can too!

Loving God, please be my guide.

Amen.

A reflection from gpbs.com