



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

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Fr. Tony Percy 0431 225 574 (Administrator)



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

29th October, 2023

BUNGENDORE PARISH TEAM

Fr. Tony Percy is our Administrator.

Baptisms: Baptisms will be on 1st & 3rd Sunday during Mass.
Please email or ring the parish office to arrange a baptism.

Weddings: Please contact Parish office; at least six months notice required.

Phone: 6238 1247

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Secretary- Julie-Ann

Office Open: - Wednesday - 10:30am - 5:00pm
Thursday—9:00am—3:30pm

BUNGENDORE, BRAIDWOOD and REGION MASS TIMES

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

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

Hoskinstown: Four times a year—1st Sunday Feb, May, Aug 10:30am (Nov cancelled)

Gundaroo: 2nd & 4th Sunday 10:30am

Tarago: TBA

Krawarree: 5th Sunday 11.00am

Dear Parishioners,

Two feast days begin the month of November:

All Saints (November 1)

All Souls (November 2).

It is a curious thing that St. Paul would write to Christians addressing them as 'saints' or those 'called to be saints':

To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints (Romans 1:7).

That's it: a saint is someone who is loved by God, knows this to be true through experience, and tries to live as Christ lived.

Most of the time we don't notice them of course, but there are saints all over the place. Some of the saints are clearly visible – think St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta, St. Mary of the Cross, etc. – since God wants it this way, but most of the time saints are far from view:

The eyes of faith behold a wonderful scene: that of a countless number of lay people, both women and men, busy at work in their daily life and activity, oftentimes far from view and quite unclaimed by the world, unknown to the world's great personages but nonetheless looked upon in love by the Father, untiring labourers who work in the Lord's vineyard.

Confident and steadfast through the power of God's grace, these are the humble yet great builders of the Kingdom of God in history (John Paul II, Vocation and Mission of Lay People, 1988).

You might stick that quote on the fridge door. It is very encouraging, especially when the going gets tough.

Blessings,

Father Tony



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

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

First reading

Isaiah 45:1.4-6

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in? If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *I love you, Lord, my strength.*

I love you, Lord, my strength,
my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
when I call I am saved from my foes. **(R.)**

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed. **(R.)**

Second reading

1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you. This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and

not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

Communion Antiphon

We will ring out our joy at your saving help
and exult in the name of our God.



Rescheduling of Parish Sacrament Program

The sacrament of Reconciliation was to be celebrated on Sunday 29 October and the Sacrament of the Eucharist on Sunday 5 November.

Unfortunately, neither Fr Tony or Father Joshua have met any of the parents or the children involved in the sacramental program to this point.

It would be unwise and unfair to the children to proceed with the proposed celebrations until they do so.

I know that this may be disappointing and inconvenient, but it will best to postpone the celebrations until the early 2024.



For direct credit payments to the Parish:

BSB: 062-786 ACC: 00014851

NAME: St Mary's Parish Bungendore

Reference: NAME

PLEASE KEEP YOUR RODEO RAFFLE TICKETS ROLLING IN TO BE IN THE DRAW!

ARE YOU BAKING FOR THE CAKE STALL?? PLEASE REMEMBER TO LABEL THE INGREDIENTS ON YOUR GOODIES.



IF YOU ARE ABLE TO ASSIST ON THE GATE OR IN THE CANTEEN AT THE RODEO ON THE SUNDAY 5TH NOVEMBER PLEASE LET JULIE-ANN OR CHRIS MURDOCK KNOW.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday Prayer & Communions - 9am then please join us as we gather afterward at local café.

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

Social Sunday—19th November

SATURDAY 4th November—Cake Stall/raffle tickets and sausage sizzle will be held outside IGA

SUNDAY 5th November RODEO!!!!!!

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 ,Ken & Cathy Vine ,Elizabeth Van Gessel, Barb Rayner, Fr. Mick Burke & Adrian van Prooyen.

Recently Deceased: Jane Kelly

Anniversaries:- Kim English, Leslie Raymond Cremer, Elma Georgina King, Josephine Gloria Salton, Sylvester Daniel Murphy, Norman Patrick Smith, George Wilson, Catherine Lawless, Blanche Smith & John Robert Wilson.

Church Cleaning Thanks!

OCTOBER: Maureen Elgood &

Jenny Amey

NOVEMBER: Helen Jewell



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 October 2023 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Chris Murdock

R1; R2: Julie-Ann Snudden & Pauline Segeri

Offertory: Tess Montesin & Rene Mallia

Welcomer: Julie-Ann Snudden

Sunday : 5th November 2023 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: David Bishop

R1; R2: Catherine Mueller & Alison Bishop

Offertory: Pauline Segeri

Welcomer: Julie-Ann Snudden

BUNGENDORE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Helen Jewell (Chairperson)
David Bishop
Jenny Amey
Chris Murdock
Tess Montesin
Julie-Ann Snudden

BUNGENDORE PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Greg Darmody (Chairperson)
Michele Murdock
Richard Konarski
Ian Cusack
Ed Cory
Stephen Dunkerley

NEWS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION FOR 2024

Monday 30th October at 7.30pm (AEDT)

Register via our website:

ctc.edu.au/information-session

PARISH OFFICE MANAGER INNER NORTH POSITION VACANT

People are invited to apply for the position Parish Office Manager, Inner North Parishes (encompassing Campbell, Canberra Central, O'Connor & Watson). This is a full-time position (subject to review in 12 months)

Essential Requirements:

- An understanding of and support for the Catholic Church and its teachings
- Excellent verbal and written, interpersonal and communication skills
- Computer literacy in MS Suite and database skills, (in particular PACS database)
- Act with tact & discretion, maintaining high levels of confidentiality, honesty, integrity, reliability and punctuality

Please email Deborah.foote@cg.org.au for a detailed copy of the duty statement and selection criteria. Applications addressing the Selection

Criteria with attached resume to Fr Anthony Riosa, SSS, anthony.riosa@cam.org.au must be received by Friday 3 November 2023.

ARCHBISHOP'S TEACHING DAY FOR CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

Saturday 4 November from 8:30am to 2pm at Haydon Hall, Franklin Street, Manuka ACT.

Speakers are Archbishop Christopher Prowse and Lalith Perera (founder of Community of the Risen Lord, Sri Lanka). Holy Mass, worship, preaching, prayer ministry and free BBQ lunch. To register, <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1133486>. For more information call/text Susanna 0419 902 293 or Tim 0404 805 082.

ST. MATTHEW'S AND ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH SPIRITUALITY RETREAT DAY

11th November 2023

St Vincent de Paul's, 7 Bindel St, Aranda

Sr. Magdalen Mather of Benedictine Abbey Jamberoo will lead a parish spirituality retreat day at St. Vincent's parish centre, Aranda. The theme will be Going Deeper, and looking at ancient prayer practices of the desert fathers and mothers to help us in our current troubled times.

Cost \$20

Email: BelconnenSouth@cg.org.au

Reflection

Loving God and each other, Jesus makes so very clear, are interconnected. Our existence and purpose both flow from the fact that God didn't just create me – He created us. We are social beings, connected creatures. And our great calling is to respond to God's love and to share it. We are meant to be signs of God's love for the world.

In his encyclical on human fraternity, *Fratelli tutti*, Pope Francis poses an interesting rhetorical question. 'I sometimes wonder why,' he asked, 'it took so long for the Church unequivocally to condemn slavery and various forms of violence.' 'Today,' he added, 'we have no excuses.' The Church of today cannot maintain its past complacency. We must love *everyone*.

The Pope's musing came at the end of a discussion about our duty to care for our neighbours. But while he has written a lot, adding greatly to the Church's teaching about care for our world and each other, Pope Francis stays firmly focused on the essentials. Which is why this Gospel is really at the very heart of his teaching and preaching. In his apostolic exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium* the Pope asks, 'if we have received the love which restores meaning to our lives, how can we fail to share that love with others?'