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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 14th January, 2024

BUNGENDORE PARISH TEAM

Fr. Tony Percy is our Administrator. <u>Baptisms</u>: Baptisms will be on 1st & 3rd Sunday during Mass. Please email or ring the parish office to arrange a baptism. <u>Weddings</u>: Please contact Parish office; at least six months notice required.

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BUNGENDORE, BRAIDWOOD and REGION MASS TIMES Bungendore : Sunday 8.30am; Weekday Mass: Wednesday 9am Sacrament of Reconciliation: 1st & 3rd Sunday after Mass

<u>Braidwood</u>: Saturday 6.00pm <u>Weekday Mass</u>: Tuesday 10.00am <u>Gundaroo</u>: 2nd & 4th Sunday 10:30am Baptisms will be conducted during Mass on these dates.

Reflection

Today we consider the call to discipleship. The readings outline the various stages of this call and provide a sketch of some of the characteristics of each stage: the invitation, the discerning process and the resulting transformation.

The call is an invitation from God. It might come to us as inner sensitivity, a kind of a dream or inspiration. Our interest might be captured by a person or an event that first attracts us and then beckons us to investigate further. It can come in the innocence and naivete of childhood, in the vigour of young adulthood, or in the wisdom of years. It comes when God calls.

The second stage involves discernment. Most of us need help recognising moments of religious importance and so we seek out women and men who are practiced in the ways of God, who can help us test the spirit. They might be recognised religious leaders or prophetic guides, or they could be friends or loved ones who know us well and who are also attuned to the workings of God in their own lives.

Finally, when we respond to the call, we discover that we no longer belong solely to ourselves; as disciples, we belong to the body of Christ. We belong to the reign of God; we are now part of the mission of Christ. As disciples, we are called to proclaim to the world the justice of God. What a glorious honour this is!

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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

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

First reading

1 Samuel 3:3-10.19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am'. Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will

I waited, I waited for the Lord. and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. (R.)

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear. You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. (R.)

In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. (R.)

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. (R.)

Second reading

1 Corinthians 6:13-15. 17-20

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, which is in you since you have received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! We have found the Messiah: Jesus Christ, who brings us truth and grace. Alleluia!

Gospel

John 1:35-42

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' – which means Teacher – 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' – which means the Christ – and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' – meaning Rock.

Communion Antiphon

You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.

Dates for your Díary Wednesday Prayer & Communion - 9am then please join us as we gather afterward at local café. Fridays @ St Mary's—9am PRAY FOR PEACE Rosary & Reflection .

SOCIAL SUNDAY—18th February

For direct credit payments to the Parish: BSB: 062-786 ACC: 00014851 NAME: St Mary's Parish Bungendore **Reference: NAME**

Please give some consideration into how your time and talents can be used in our parish.

We need more people for the offertory and also for church cleaning.

Please see Julie-Ann if you can help out :-)

Feasts this week: 17th January— St Anthony

Principal Celebrations to come: 14th February—Ash Wednesday 28-31 March—Pascal Triduum 19th May—Pentecost

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, Carol-Jayne McManus, Katherine Southwell & John Curran.

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:- Fr Ron Flack, Ada Louise Titmus, Aaron Walsh, Maria Gallagher, Violet Margaret Doyle, Anne Donoghoe & Mary Heath.

Church Cleaning Thanks! JANUARY : Julie-Ann Snudden & Alison Bishop



Plagues for Memorial Wall

We are now taking orders for plagues for the memorial wall.

Please contact the office for more details.

The above format will be the one used.

Liturgical Roster

Sunday : 14th January, 2024 8:30 am Minister of the Altar: Ian Buckley R1; R2: Sue & Geoff Orchison Offertory: Pauline Segeri & Renata Marz Welcomer: Julie-Ann Snudden

Sunday : 21st January, 2024 8:30 am Minister of the Altar: John Windsor R1; R2: Miriam O'Brien & Julie-Ann Snudden Offertory: Tess Montesin & Rene Mallia Welcomer: Julie=Ann Snudden

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A Warm Welcome to Madeleine Ryan and her parents Melaníe & Eamon

Also to Frank & Geoffrey Donnelly and their parents Genevieve & Lindsay

> The cousins will be baptised at Gundaroo this morning!



Fr. Joshua Scott

Wishing you many happy returns of the day :-)

BUNGENDORE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO AESOP

John 1:35-42

The Farmer and his Sons

A rich old farmer, who felt that he had not many more days to live, called his sons to his bedside.

"My sons," he said, "heed what I have to say to you. Do not on any account part with the estate that has belonged to our family for so many generations. Somewhere on it is hidden a rich treasure. I do not know the exact spot, but it is there, and you will surely find it. Spare no energy and leave no spot unturned in your search."

The father died, and no sooner was he in his grave than the sons set to work digging with all their might, turning up every foot of ground with their spades, and going over the whole farm two or three times.

No hidden gold did they find; but at harvest time when they had settled their accounts and had pocketed a rich profit far greater than that of any of their neighbors, they understood that the treasure their father had told them about was the wealth of a bountiful crop, and that in their industry had they found the treasure.

Industry is itself a treasure.

The example of the disciples reminds us to spare no energy and to leave no stone unturned both in our search for Christ and in our efforts to stay with Him our whole life long. To seek the Lord is, in a sense, to have already found Him. Our journey to Him, our discovery of His place in our lives is itself a treasure.

Rev. Martin R. Bartel, O.S.B.

