



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)



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th February, 2024

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.

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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: 1st & 3rd Sunday after Mass

Braidwood: Saturday 6.00pm **Weekday Mass:** Tuesday 10.00am

Gundaroo: 2nd & 4th Sunday 10:30am **Baptisms** will be conducted during Mass on these dates.

Dear Parishioners,

The Holy Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday:

Wednesday 14 February 2024

Mass will be celebrated at 9am with the blessing and distribution of ashes taking place after the homily (perhaps brief?).

On our heads – on each and every one of us – the ashes will be placed with one of the following invocations:

Repent, and believe in the Gospel

or

Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return.

The first invocation recalls the very first words spoken by Jesus in the gospel (Mark 1). Notice how repentance and belief are intimately inter-twinned.

The second invocation recalls the creative act of God (Genesis 2). God 'breathed' into us and we became 'living beings.' All beings in the natural world have a beginning and an end. We are being reminded of this truth, as well as the truth that we are also part of the supernatural world. There is life beyond the grave.

I do hope the 40 days are fruitful. Try not to over reach with what you propose to do or give up. Make it practical, so that by the end of the Lenten period we are a little different – with God's grace.

That's the key: relying on God, not on ourselves.

Every blessings to each one of you,

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

Be my protector, O God,
a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!
Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

First reading

Leviticus 13:1-2. 44-46

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprosy: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Happy the man whose offence is forgiven,
whose sin is remitted.
O happy the man to whom the Lord
imputes no guilt,
in whose spirit is no guile. *(R.)*

But now I have acknowledged my sins;
my guilt I did not hide.
I said: 'I will confess
my offence to the Lord.'
And you, Lord, have forgiven
the guilt of my sin. *(R.)*

Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord,
exult, you just!
O come, ring out your joy,
all you upright of heart. *(R.)*

Second reading

1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 1:40-45

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

Communion Antiphon

They ate and had their fill,
and what they craved the Lord gave them;
they were not disappointed in what they craved.

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FRANK!

Dates for your Diary

ASH Wednesday - 9am with Fr Tony 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

Principal Celebrations to come:

14th February—Ash Wednesday 9AM Fr Tony here

18th February—Rite of The Elect, St Christopher's Cathedral

25th March—Chrism Mass, St Christopher's

28-31 March—Pascal Triduum

Lenten study There was no response for meeting together so please start your at home reflection this week.

Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

A revised curriculum will commence on 18th February and run for 6 weeks with a new text.

Key dates are:

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.

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:- John Robert Maxwell Reid, Noel Albert Salton, Norman Bruce Ahern, Henry Joseph Leahy, Cloda Lilla Wilson, John Doyle, Michael Nash, Freda Griffin (nee Murphy), Samuel John Crowley, William Lawless, Catherine Nash & William Ahearn.

Church Cleaning Thanks!

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 : 11th February, 2024 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: David Bishop

R1; R2: Louella & Luke Reeves

Offertory: Tess Montesin & Rene Mallia

Welcomer:

Sunday : 18th February, 2024 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: John Windsor

R1; R2: Julie-Ann Snudden & Mary-Anne Curran

Offertory:

Welcomer: Julie-Ann Snudden

BUNGENDORE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Helen Jewell
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Julie-Ann Snudden (ex-officio)

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Project Compassion Sunday 11 February



Please take home a Project Compassion box or set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and *for all future generations*.

With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction.

Project Compassion 2024 reminds us that the good that we do today will extend and impact the lives of generations to come. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *for all future generations*.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

JESUS OUTCAST FOR US

Lepers were social outcasts forced to live outside the villages and towns. Jesus heals the leper, allowing him to return to communal living, but, in touching him, Jesus put himself on the outer. The Gospel says that Jesus 'had to stay outside where nobody lived'. Jesus willingly changed places with the leper!

This incident prefigures the deepest mystery and scandal of the Gospel. Because of our deliberate wrongdoing, we are 'on the outside' with God. Our Lord and Saviour willingly experienced that alienation on Calvary, *outside* the walls of Jerusalem, in a desolate place where no-body lived. He suffered the dis-locating consequences of sin in his body and mind: 'My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?'

He took our place outside the human awareness of the loving presence of His Heavenly Father so that we might be located in the right place, *insiders* with God.

We might pause for a moment to lovingly thank our Saviour for leading us into 'the One in Whom we live and move and have our being'.

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