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12th Sunday in Ordinary Time 23rd June, 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

<u>Bungendore</u> : Sunday 8.30am; <u>Weekday Mass</u>: Wednesday 9am <u>Sacrament of Reconciliation</u>: 1st & 3rd Sunday after Mass <u>Braidwood</u>: Saturday 5.00pm (Starting 2nd March) <u>Gundaroo</u>: 2nd & 4th Sunday 10:30am <u>Baptisms will be conducted during Mass on these dates</u>.

Reflection

Paul insists that the love of Christ completely transforms us, mind and heart. No longer do we judge according to human standards. No longer do we meet injury with assault. No longer do we relegate people to the margins of society, or hoard the goods that others need to survive. Everything is changed in this new worldview. We understand ourselves and our world differently. Most importantly, we perceive God differently.

Job's new insights enlightened his understanding of creation, of the Creator, and of himself, a finite creature. Several of the disciples were seasoned fishermen. They knew that sea quite well. Living close to Jesus, they knew him too. Now they saw him in a different light. In both cases, faith opened their eyes. Like the disciples, we begin to realise that this man who shares in all of our human vulnerability is able to direct the power of the Creator.

We need eyes of faith to recognise the power of God at work in the events of our lives. Like Job, faith moves us from viewing God as a deity who is so distant from us that the circumstances of our lives appear to be irrelevant, to realising that everything is ultimately in God's hands and everything follows the course on which God has set it. For our part, all we can or need do is entrust ourselves to this loving God who cares if even a sparrow falls to the ground.

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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

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

First reading

Job 38:1. 8-11

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said:

Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther: here your proud waves shall break.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Some sailed to the sea in ships to trade on the mighty waters. These men have seen the Lord's deeds, the wonders he does in the deep. (R.)

For he spoke; he summoned the gale, tossing the waves of the sea up to heaven and back into the deep; their soul melted away in their distress. (R.)

Then they cried to the Lord in their need and he rescued them from their distress. He stilled the storm to a whisper: all the waves of the sea were hushed. (R.)

They rejoiced because of the calm and he led them to the haven they desired. Let them thank the Lord for his love, the wonders he does for men. (R.)

Second reading

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them.

From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did

once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel

Mark 4:35-41

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

Prayers of the Faithful

Priest: God's help is near for those who call on him. Let us draw near to God who seeks us with outstretched hands.

Reader: That the Church will persevere in times of doubt and fear. (pause)

In your mercy:

- All: Lord, hear our prayer.
- Reader: That nations will proclaim an era of peace and justice.(pause)

In your mercy:

- All: Lord, hear our prayer.
- Reader: That those who are tossed about by misfortune and chaos will be calmed by Christ's presence. (pause)

In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That our faith community will grow in faith and love. (pause)

In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That those who are called to teach will be supported in their vocation. (pause)

In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That men and women who minister to the sick and dying will be sustained by Christ, the great healer. (pause)

In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader: That those who have died in Christ will enter eternal life. (pause)

In your mercy:

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Priest: Faithful God, you command the forces of your creation and calm the savage sea. Accept these prayers we offer today and walk beside us through every storm until we come to rest in you. We ask this in Jesus' name.

All: Amen.

Communion Antiphon

The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

PARISH NEWS

Wednesdays @ St Mary's—9am PRAYER AND COMMUNION SERVICE - 5pm ROSARY Fridays @ St Mary's—9am PRAY FOR PEACE ROSARY & REFLECTION SOCIAL SUNDAY—21st July

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Please pray for:- Lauren Horton, Frank Shugg, Margaret Mikkelsen, Erwin Feeken, Sheather family, Roger Cutbill, Diana Robertson, Luke Alam, Bob Angel, Patrick Elwood, Peter Gagliardi, Annie Nikolaou, 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, Carmen Azzopardi_& Mary McCullagh.

Recently Deceased:

<u>Anniversaries</u>:- Colin Daniel, Jane Edmundson, Lesley Bayley, Ernest Pritchard, Mary Campbell, Fergus Delany, John Sheehan, John Finlay, Maurice Lindsay & Loyola Smith.

Church Cleaning Thanks! JUNE: Penny Ford & Catherine Mueller



<u>Plaques for Memorial Wall</u>

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.

ANNE CHONG KENG LIM

Liturgical Roster

Sunday : 23rd June, 2024 8:30 am Minister of the Altar: David Bishop R1; R2: Miriam O'Brien & Mary-Anne Curran Offertory: Welcomer: Julie-Ann Snudden

<u>Sunday</u>: 30th June, 2024 8<u>:30 am</u> <u>Minister of the Altar</u>: Thomas Konarski <u>R1; R2</u>: Alison & David Bishop <u>Offertory:</u> <u>Welcomer</u>:

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Cause for Beatification and Canonisation of Australia's next possible saint Eileen O'Connor

The joy was palpable when 1000 people filled St Mary's Cathedral in Sydney for the official opening of the cause for beatification and canonisation of Australia's next possible saint, Eileen O'Connor on 20 February 2024. Beatification is the first of two major steps to being officially declared a saint by the Church; Eileen has already been accorded the title 'Servant of God.'

Born in Melbourne in 1892, Eileen Rosaline O'Connor suffered a broken spine at the age three and lived in in constant nerve pain from what was later diagnosed as tuberculous osteomyelitis.

She co-founded Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor with local priest Father Edward McGrath msc in 1913 to care for the sick and dying poor in their homes. Eileen did not just bear her suffering, she chose to bear it for a particular intention: the vocation of Father Edward McGrath. In turn, he ministered to her in her illness and collaborated with her in the work they felt called to undertake.

Lovingly known as 'Little Mother', she measured only 115cm tall when she died aged 28 in 1921. In his homily, Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP said God makes far more saints than are recognised, but that "the Church is graced to recognise a few".

"For a century now the Church in Australia has kept alive the memory of the 'Little Mother'," he said adding that it has seen "many answers to prayers through the intercession of Eileen".

"So far Australia has only one recognised saint so can we produce more saints?" he asked. "Has our dry continent suffered a holiness drought also?" "We pray that Eileen O'Connor might be raised to the order of Australia's second saint."

The next steps in the process which would raise her to the altars, official confirmation of her reputation for holiness and indications from God [in the form of two miraculous healings], will require from Catholics 'the patience of a saint', he said. "But we hope that day will come in our lifetime."

The evening included a ceremony to swear-in Archbishop Fisher and his four Sydney-based delegates who will now prepare all of the material relating to Eileen's life and reputation for the consideration of experts in Rome. They are Fr Julian Wellspring who will chair the group, Fr Richard Waddell, Mrs Jenny Maloof and Mrs Maureen Fairbairn.

Eileen will only be given the title of Venerable, the next step in the process towards official sainthood, if – after the diocesan phase is completed – expert theologians and historians in Rome judge there is sufficient evidence of her reputation for holiness and a life of heroic virtue. After this, a medically unexplainable healing – a miraculous healing – must be proven to have occurred through her intercession before she is declared a blessed. One further proven miracle occurring after that time will confirm her as Australia's second saint. The official postulator guiding her cause, Fr Anthony Robbie, thanked Archbishop Fisher for his courage and devotion for kick-starting the process in 2017. Earlier in the day Fr Robbie told *The Catholic Weekly* that during time he has spent in Rome laying the groundwork for her cause's official launch he has found Eileen to be "a very compelling, magnetic individual".

"She's a little person of this world in every visible way, [yet] supernaturally she's a giant," he said. "She exceeded the bounds of her human nature in the most wonderful way and brought happiness and light and life into the lives of so many people.