



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

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Fr. Joshua Scott (Interim Administrator)



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 27th October, 2024

BUNGENDORE PARISH TEAM

Fr Joshua Scott : joshua.scott@cg.org.au or 6299 4611

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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Secretary- Julie-Ann

Office - 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 5.00pm (Starting 2nd March)

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

October is the Month of the Rosary

Thank you for praying with us every time we pray the Rosary.

Before Mass on Sunday commencing at 8am, and as always on Wednesday after 9 am Liturgy and again on Friday at 9am. Please come early, there are beads in the foyer and join us in prayer to Our Lady. Now more than ever we need to pray for peace.

The church is open Mon-Fri between 9-3 for private rosary and reflection time.

The Church venerates with love the Blessed Virgin Mary who holds an exalted place as the Mother of God. She is joined by an inseparable bond to the saving work of her Son. A model of faith and charity, generations of Christians have sought her help and protection.

The Rosary, when it is prayed in an authentic way, brings peace and reconciliation. It contains within itself the healing power of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, invoked with faith and love at the centre of each "Hail Mary".



Thank you to VG Fr. Richard for celebrating Mass with us today—you are an answer to prayer!



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

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord says this:

Shout with joy for Jacob!
Hail the chief of nations!
Proclaim! Praise! Shout:
The Lord has saved his people,
the remnant of Israel!
See, I will bring them back
from the land of the North
and gather them from the far ends of earth;
all of them: the blind and the lame,
women with child, women in labour:
a great company returning here.
They had left in tears,
I will comfort them as I lead them back;
I will guide them to streams of water,
by a smooth path where they will not stumble.
For I am a father to Israel,
and Ephraim is my first-born son.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.*

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
It seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **(R.)**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'

What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **(R.)**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **(R.)**

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **(R.)**

Second reading

Hebrews 5:1-6

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain

because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,
and brought us life through his gospel.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 10:46-52

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

Communion Antiphon

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



PARISH NEWS

THE CHURCH IS OPEN MON-FRI 9-3pm in OCTOBER

Wednesdays @ St Mary's—9am Prayer and Communion Service followed by Rosary.

Join us after at The Gathering for a cuppa

Fridays @ St Mary's—9am Rosary and Reflection

Social Sunday—17th November- join us after Mass

For direct credit payments to the Parish:

BSB: 062-786 ACC: 00014851

NAME: St Mary's Parish Bungendore

Reference: NAME

**Rodeo Cake Stall & Sausage Sizzle @IGA
Sat 2nd November 9-1pm**

Please bring your cakes clearly marked with ingredients and your money. Rodeo Merchandise for sale. This benefits our church and your effort is appreciated. There is no raffle this year so any donations greatly appreciated.

RODEO

SUNDAY 3rd November—Kings Hwy

**St Mary's Grounds Committee Working Bees
Sat 9th November & Sat 23rd November**

Christmas is fast approaching and we also need to prepare for the arrival of our new parish priest, so it is time for a working bee. Please let Chris Murdock 0448310854 know if you will be able to attend the working bee. Time: 0830hrs start, or come along when you can. Aim to finish by midday.

Please pray for:- Frank Shugg, 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, Mary McCullagh, Peter Hugonnet & Bishop Pat Power.

Recently Deceased:

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 & Rex Sutherland (Gundaroo).

Church Cleaning Thanks!

OCTOBER: **Maureen Elgood
& Jenny Amey**

NOVEMBER: **Helen Jewell**



NEWS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

Marian Procession

Sunday, October 27, 2024, Place: Starts at 11 AM, Anglican Cathedral of St Saviours, Goulburn
Reconciliation: Sts Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral & Our Lady of Mercy Chapel, 12:30 – 1:30 PM Mass: 2:00 PM at Sts Peter and Paul's Old Cathedral, celebrated by Archbishop Christopher Prowse. Includes installation of a reliquary with relics of Sts Peter and Paul, St Brigid, St Charbel, and St Therese of Lisieux. Youth Rally: Right after the Rosary Procession Date: Sunday, October 27, 2024 Place: St Saviour's Anglican Cathedral Hall Includes: Food, entertainment, and guest speaker
Contact: Diane Green or Heather Moss: Goulburn@cq.org.au | Phone: 0403 631 797.
Christopher Gilroy: christopher.gilroy@cq.org.au

All Saints Day Party

Sunday, 3rd November, St Christopher's Cathedral after 11AM Mass
Dress as your favourite Saint and enjoy fun activities, a costume parade, and a family-friendly atmosphere Haydon Hall, 55 Franklin Street, Forrest. Phone: Anita Piper 6239 9846

ST THOMAS AQUINAS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Sunday 10th November
You are welcome to join St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church Charnwood 50th Anniversary . 10 am mass will be held at the church followed by celebratory BBQ. To register for catering purposes: www.stthomassquinascharnwood.com

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 : 27th October, 2024 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: David Bishop

R1; R2: Pauline Segeri & Mary-Anne Curran

Offertory: Tess Montesin & Rene Mallia

Welcomer:

Sunday : 3rd November, 2024 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Thomas Konarski

R1; R2: Sarah & Stephen Dunkerley

Offertory: Pauline Segeri

Welcomer:

BUNGENDORE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Helen Jewell
David Bishop
Jenny Amey
Chris Murdock
Julie-Ann Snudden (ex-officio)

BUNGENDORE PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Greg Darmody (Chairperson)
Michele Murdock
Richard Konarski
Ian Cusack
Ed Cory
Stephen Dunkerley
Julie-Ann Snudden (ex-officio)

Reflection

Contained within the two healings of blindness, as we have seen over the last six weeks, is an extended lesson on discipleship. Within this section, Jesus speaks about his upcoming death on three occasions and each time the disciples display their own form of blindness when they fail to understand what Jesus is trying to tell them quite explicitly. In this section, we have heard that discipleship involves suffering and hardship; it means placing one's own needs last and the needs of others first; and that discipleship is all about faith.

In this healing of blind Bartimaeus, we see all the hallmarks of what Jesus has been trying to teach the disciples in the preceding episodes. As a blind man, Bartimaeus would be regarded as 'imperfect' – incomplete – and consequently in a permanent state of uncleanness. He would not be allowed to live within the bounds of normal society, nor have contact with people. So it is that Jesus encounters Bartimaeus on the side of the road, outside the city walls as he is leaving Jericho. Learning that it is Jesus passing by, Bartimaeus calls on Jesus to help him and the crowd tries to shut him up and remind him of his status. But Jesus calls Bartimaeus to him and, placing the needs of the other first, asks 'What do you want me to do for you?' When Bartimaeus makes his request, Jesus announces that it is his faith that has saved him and his sight is restored. Bartimaeus, like a good disciple, then follows Jesus on the road.

Scriptural context – Blindness

Blindness is a powerful metaphor that is used repeatedly throughout scripture. It is almost always a metaphor for blindness of heart or blindness of mind rather than a purely physical affliction. There are multiple accounts of healing blindness in the gospel. Saul/Paul is blinded on the road to Damascus and only has his sight restored when he is baptised. The Pharisees are described as being 'blind fools' and there the prophets make numerous references to blind seeing as a sign of the Messiah's arrival. It is a very powerful image of being 'blind' to truth and 'blind' to the teaching of Jesus.

Have you thought? On the side of the road ...

When Jesus encounters Bartimaeus he is sitting by the side of the road – a reject of society sitting off to the side as the world passes him by. There are times in all of our lives when we feel like this: hurt; ashamed; unloved; rejected; cast aside. It is at these moments in our lives that Jesus really wants to 'break through' into our experience. If we allow ourselves to hear his voice calling us to him, then we too can 'throw off our cloak' – our old life – and join him on the road.

Living the Gospel – Bartimaeus, a model?

Bartimaeus is a man who has almost nothing in life. His blindness has made him outcast and he is reduced to begging on the side of the road. When he is called to Jesus he jumps up and casts off what may well be his only real possession – his cloak. Yet what he does have in abundance is faith and hope. When asked what he wants Jesus to do, his answer may seem obvious, but his desire to see goes beyond physical sight. He asks for the sight of one who truly believes and to whom the truth of Jesus is revealed. In this way, he is a model to all who would be disciples.

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The Parish of St Mary's, Bungendore and the Archdiocese of Canberra-Goulburn are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. We endeavour to create safe spaces where we can have meaningful conversations with children and adults at risk about their safety. If you wish to discuss something with our Safeguarding Representative please talk to Sarah D or confidentially email: bungendore.safeguarding@cg.org.au You may also wish to contact Maria Hicks (Manager) Institute for Professional Standards & Safeguarding 6239 9806 / ipss@cg.org.au