



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)



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 17th November, 2024

BUNGENDORE PARISH TEAM

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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.

8th World day of the Poor—from the Pope

In this year dedicated to prayer, we need to *make the prayer of the poor our own and pray together with them*. This is a challenge we must embrace and a pastoral activity that needs to be nurtured. Moreover, “the worst discrimination which the poor suffer is the lack of spiritual care. The great majority of the poor have a special openness to the faith; they need God and we must not fail to offer them his friendship, his blessing, his word, the celebration of the sacraments and a journey of growth and maturity in the faith. Our preferential option for the poor must mainly translate into a privileged and preferential religious care” (*ibid.*, 200).

All of this requires *a humble heart*, one that has the courage to become a beggar. A heart that is ready to acknowledge itself as poor and needy. Indeed, there is a correlation between poverty, humility and trust. The truly poor person is the humble one, as the holy Bishop Augustine said: “The poor have nothing to be proud of, the rich must combat their pride. Therefore, listen to me: be truly poor, be virtuous, be humble” (*Sermons*, 14, 4). The humble have nothing to boast of and nothing to claim; they know they cannot rely on themselves but firmly believe they can appeal to God’s merciful love, standing before him like the prodigal son who returns home repentant to receive the father’s embrace (cf. *Lk* 15:11-24). The poor, having nothing to rely on, receive strength from God and place all their trust in him. Indeed, humility generates trust that God will never abandon us and will never leave us without a response.

[Eighth World Day of the Poor, 2024: The prayer of the poor rises up to God \(cf. Sir 21:5\) | Francis](#)

Fr Joshua is back and we rejoice in this news. He is grateful for your prayers and well wishes.

Join us for Christmas Carols at 6.30pm followed by Vigil Mass at 7pm.

There will not be a Christmas Day Mass at Bungendore but you are welcome to join Queanbeyan at 7am or 9am, or Gundaroo at 9.30am.

THE CHURCH WILL CONTINUE TO BE OPEN 9am-3pm Wed, Thurs & Fri for private prayer & reflection.



The Parish of St Mary’s, Bungendore acknowledges the Ngannawal 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 said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.

You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

First reading

Daniel 12:1-3

'At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.'

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *Keep me safe, O God:
you are my hope.*

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **(R.)**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. **(R.)**

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness forever. **(R.)**

Second reading

Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful, and pray constantly,

that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

'Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.'

Communion Antiphon

To be near God is my happiness,
to place my hope in God the Lord.

*A Warm Welcome to
Max Martin and his parents
Camilla & Stuart Martin*

*Max will be baptised
here today.*



PARISH NEWS

THE CHURCH IS OPEN 9am-3pm Wed, Thurs & Fri

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:

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St Mary's Grounds Committee Working Bees Sat 23rd November

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.

150TH Anniversary Commemoration

On 21st February 1875 the extension to St Mary's church, including the window, was opened by Bishop Vaughn. Currently, our celebration of this anniversary comprises the 2nd edition of *Chords from the Harp* and Archbishop Christopher has agreed to celebrate Mass on Sunday 23rd February 2025. There is a need to properly recognise Mary Shanahan's gift of the window.

Some options:

A plaque (under the window?) acknowledging Mary's gift;

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 & Peter McCullagh, Peter Hugonnet & Bishop Pat Power.

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:- Fr Parker Moloney, William James Girvan, John Sherd, James Hourigan, William McGrogan, Joseph Thomas Quinlan & Michael McMahan (Gundaroo)

Church Cleaning Thanks!

NOVEMBER: Helen Jewell



A memorial plaque on the wall in the memorial garden, either standard size (showing 'Benefactor' or similar), or larger ;

A plaque (where?) expressing appreciation for our forebears' efforts and sacrifices in passing on their faith and our churches;

As (3), but accompanied by the planting of a tree.

Please contact Ed to discuss your ideas and involvement. edward.f.cory@outlook.com or 0468 369 285.

NEWS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE AND BEYOND

Monster Christmas Garage & Plant Sale

Sat 16th November 9AM-1PM

255 Goyder Street Narrabundah.

The Monster Christmas Garage & Plant Sale is our biggest sale of the year, with toys, books, clothes and much more! With unique vintage pieces, there is something for everyone.

Christ the King Taralga Church Celebrates 90 years on Sunday 24th November

Celebrating 90 years of Worship in the Church built by Bishop Barry. Please come and celebrate with them at 9.30 am Mass followed by morning tea, the Feast of Christ the King, November 24.

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 : 17th November, 2024 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: John Windsor

R1; R2: Julie-Ann Snudden & Pauline Segeri

Offertory: Martin Family

Welcomer:

Sunday : 24th November, 2024 8:30 am

Minister of the Altar: Anna Melek

R1; R2: Louella & Luke Reeves

Offertory: Pauline Segeri

Welcomer:

BUNGENDORE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Helen Jewell
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Chris Murdock
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Michele Murdock
Richard Konarski
Ian Cusack
Ed Cory
Stephen Dunkerley
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Reflection

Angelic Swords of Light

Have you ever seen those pictures of angels? They are like babies with delicate gossamer wings. How sentimental, how pathetically trivial, how untrue. Angels are more like the light-swords wielded by Luke Skywalker in Star Wars. The good angels are lightning flashes of energy serving God's purpose in the battle against evil forces which can seem to dominate our worlds, private and social.

God loved us into existence in order to share in his life, but there are forces at work trying to frustrate that. There is a cosmic-scale battle going on. Who is on our side in that battle? The angels. Who are they?

They are non-bodily beings of great intelligence and power. Those are the angels, and those who have chosen to love and serve God are on our side.

Some are archangels with a cosmic-scale brief. We hear of one in the first reading: 'Michael, the great Prince who stands guard over your people'. Others are our individual Guardian Angels so that when powers of darkness seem to engulf us, we can turn to our Guardian Angel and say: 'Fight for me', and that light-sword of God will engage in battle because that is that sort of angel's way of serving God.

We could pause a moment to pray, thanking God for the Archangels who guard our church community and for our personal Guardian Angels, and asking our Lord Jesus Christ to command those angels to gather us as his chosen to share His glory.

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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