

NORTHERN MISSION

incorporating Queanbeyan, Michalego, Bungendore and Braidwood Parishes.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Thurs 9.00am - 5.00pm.



Mission Sunday Masses:

St Raphael's Q'bn 5.30pm Sat
9am & 5.30pm Sun

St Mary's Bung. 8.30am Sun

St Bede's B'wood 6.00pm Sat

Northern Mission



12th Sunday in
Ordinary Time Yr A
25 JUNE 2017

Ministries for our Sunday Liturgy: Vigil at 6.00pm

	24 June	2 July (Sun 8.30am)	9 July
Commentator:	P Coady	H Hart	P Coady
Reader:	C Ffrench	W Hart	A Monkhouse
Reader:	G Hannaford	M Byrnes	H Bopping
Acolyte:	J Gunderson	F Schlager	L Hart
Sp. Ministers	K Godwin	H Hart	B Schlager
	A Monkhouse	H Bopping	F Schlager
Welcomer:	H Pieper	G Sutton	C Ffrench
PowerPoint:	D Flores	A Monkhouse	J Flores
Gifts:	Geraldine & Natasha	Laffan Family	Flores Family

Ministries of Service:	1 July	7 July	14 July
Altar Decorating:	Joy	Helen P	Cathy
Cleaners:	Margaret & Barbara	Wendy & Pauline	Bobbie

Sp Min hospital: 1st Sun: Eileen Dempsey. 2nd Sun: Helen Pieper.
3rd Sun: Br. Brian. 4th Sun: Ann Monkhouse.

Counters: 1st Sun: K & M Toirkens. 2nd Sunday: G Kain. 3rd Sunday: Wendy Hart.
4th Sunday: E Hannaford. 5th Sunday: H Bopping.

World Community for Christian Meditation is held Thursdays at 10.30am at St Bede's Presbytery. For information please contact Br. Brian on 4842 2444. Newcomers are always welcome. Check out the websites: www.wccm.org or www.christianmeditationaustralia.org

St Vincent de Paul Society Braidwood Conference:

"Giving a helping hand up"

Office Hours: Friday 11am - 1pm. Ph: 0435856541 or 4842 2444



Readings this week: 1st: Jer. 20:10-13. 2nd: Rom. 5:12-15. Gpl: Matthew 10:26-33.
Next week: 1st: 2 Kings 4:8-11,14-16. 2nd: Rom 6:3-4,8-11. Gpl: Matt. 10:37-42.

Join Us in Prayer

Entrance Antiphon:

God is the strength of the people, In God the chosen live in safety. Save us, who share in your life and give us your blessing; be our shepherd for ever.

Responsorial Psalm:

Response: O God, in your great love, answer me.

All: It is for you that I suffer taunts, that shame covers my face,
that I have become a stranger to my friends,
an alien to my own mother's children.
I burn with zeal for your house and taunts against you fall on me.

All: This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails:
Holy One, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me.

All: The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Holy One listens to the needy
and does not spurn the servants in their chains.
Let the heavens and the earth give God praise,
the sea and all its living creatures. (R.)

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

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

Next weekend Mass time: 8.30am Sunday St Bede's Church.
Weekday Mass: Tues 13 June at 10.00am in the Presbytery.
Liturgy of the Word: Wednesdays at 9.30am in the Presbytery.
Meditation: Thursday at 10.30am in the Presbytery.
Braidwood AA meets each Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Centre.
Social Justice Group meets 1st Sunday of the month, Lolly Shop at 11am.
Vinnies Meeting: now Friday 30 June at 1.30pm.

Changeover to 8.30am Sunday Mass will be 2 July. Get out your coats and gloves people. Frosty mornings ahead!

Rosters will need to be renewed in July. Anyone who would like to be included on a ministry is asked to complete the Ministry Renewal Form available at the back of the Church.

Please pray for the sick: Len Kanowski, Kyal Neilson, Ted Younger, Paul Conaghan, Tony Riley, Dave Kelly, Judy Stone, Robin Marsden, Patricia Golotta, Joanna Kelly, Barbara Monaghan, John Sheldon, Sarah Lewis, Richie Simpson, Mark Sissian, Betty Jones, Sarah Cree, Teresa Neilsen, the residents of Narbethong & the aged care unit and all who need prayers.

Please pray for those who have died in recent days:
Noel Hoskins, and our own deceased relatives and friends.

Offerings acknowledged with thanks:
1st: \$256. 2nd - Envelopes \$129. Loose: \$124.

Feast of Saints. Peter & Paul, Thursday 29th June.

Throughout most of its history, the Church has linked the two major figures of Peter and Paul, so it is fitting that they share this feast day. However, also throughout most of the Church's history, Peter has been given greater regard and has held a more significant place in the tradition. In fact, the Church itself is often described as 'Petrine' – in the tradition of Peter. Much is made of the line of Popes being traced back to Peter. The authority and structure of the Church is linked to the Petrine model of Church. Describing Peter as the 'rock' upon which the Church was built is an excellent image of stability and constancy.

In something of a contrast, the apostle Paul is best known as the great traveller who spread the message of Jesus all around the shores of the Mediterranean, establishing communities of faith wherever he went. His letters – or epistles - to these communities were some of the first Christian writings; predating by 20 years or more the four gospels of the New Testament. Rather than stability and constancy, Paul is identified with growth

and change; expansion and openness. Many would argue that without Paul the early Christian communities may not have survived beyond the end of the 1st Century.

Peter and Paul represent two great traditions within the Church: the strength of tradition and oneness associated with Peter; and the valuing of new ideas and outreach to others that typified the work of Paul. Although the Petrine tradition has been dominant for most of the Church's history, the Pauline tradition was rediscovered in the latter part of the 20th Century and it is now clearly evident that the church needs both of these arms to embrace the world.

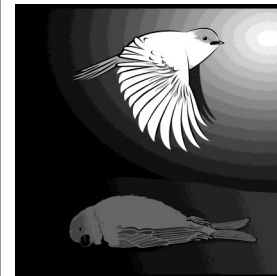


Greg Sunter

Reflection on the Gospel

In some countries to witness to Christ is to place one's life in danger. But in most countries this is not the case. But the latter countries too need witnesses, because faith and Christian values are being eroded. It may be even harder to witness in the latter countries. What we are likely to face is not so much hostility or opposition, but something which is even harder – a deadly indifference. To witness in this case requires a special kind of courage. It means overcoming our fear of what people will think of us or say about us, and the fear of what it will cost us in terms of letting go of our ego.

When Jesus said to his apostles, 'Do not be afraid,' he wasn't saying that they should never feel afraid. He knew that at times they would be afraid. The issue was what fear might do to them. It might paralyse them, or make them so timid as to be unable to fulfil their mission. What Jesus was doing was encouraging them so that they might be able to move beyond fear.



How were they to overcome their fear? He urged them to have complete trust in God, who lovingly watches over the life and death of even the smallest and least valuable of all God's creatures – the sparrows.

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