

NORTHERN MISSION

incorporating Queanbeyan, Michalego, Bungendore and Braidwood Parishes.

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PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Father Troy Bobbin

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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. 5.30pm Sat

St Bede's B'wood 8.30am Sun

Northern Mission



**31ST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME Yr. A**

5 November 2017

Ministries for our Sunday Liturgy: Sunday at 8.30am

	5 November	12 November	19 November
Commentator:	H Hart	P Coady	H Hart
Reader:	A Monkhouse	B Berg	T Ferlitsch
Reader:	H Bopping	T Roach	K Toirkens
Acolyte:	F Schlager	L Hart	J Gunderson
Sp. Ministers	B Schlager	A Monkhouse	W Hart
	H Pieper	K Godwin	H Bopping
Welcomer:	G Sutton	C Ffrench	H Pieper
PowerPoint:	H Hart	J Flores	H Hart
Gifts:	Flores Family	Cilla & Tony	Cathy

Ministries of Service: **3 November** **10 Nov** **17 November**

Altar Decorating:	Margaret	Fran	Joy
Cleaners:	Wendy & Pauline	Margaret & Barbara	Wendy & Pauline

Sp. Min hospital: 1st Sun: Eileen Dempsey. 2nd Sun: Helen Pieper.

3rd Sun: Jane Gardner. 4th Sun: Ann Monkhouse. 5th Sun: Brian Berg

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: Mal. 1:14-2:2. 2nd: 1 Thess. 2:7-9,13. G: Matt. 23:1-12.

Next week: 1st: Wis. 6:12-16. 2nd: Thess. 4:13-18. Gospel: Matt. 25:1-13.

Join Us in Prayer

Entrance Antiphon:

Forsake me not, O my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O God, my strong salvation!

Responsorial Psalm:

Response: In you, O God, I have found my peace.

All: O God, my heart is not proud
nor haughty my eyes.
I have not gone after things too great
nor marvels beyond me.

All: Truly I have set my soul
in silence and peace.
A weaned child on its mother's breast,
even so is my soul.

All: O Israel, hope in God
both now and for ever.

Response: In you, O God, I have found my peace.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have one Father, your Father in heaven; you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon:

Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me shall have life because of me, says the Lord.

Next weekend Mass time: 8.30am Sunday St Bede's Church.
Weekday Mass: Tuesdays 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 next meeting first Sunday of month at 10.30am.

Parish Meeting after Mass today to discuss the reformation of the Parish Pastoral Council, during our monthly morning tea.

Thank you to Helen and Gary Pieper and Bob Bradley for the repairs to the front path to the Presbytery. It is much appreciated.

November Book of Remembrance: if you would like your deceased relatives and friends included in the Book of remembrance, please give envelopes with names to either Helen Hart or Brother Brian.

Australian War memorial and Changi Chapel Trip Thursday 6th Nov: bus leaves the Braidwood Uniting Church Cnr Duncan & Monkittee Streets at 9.00am, returning at 4.30pm. Bring your own lunch or dine at Poppy's Café at the AWM. Bookings: ph David or Sue 4847 1203.
Organised by Braidwood Seniors.

Quilt Weekend 25-26 Nov: Denis Dempsey is holding an open Garden on this weekend. The Braidwood Conference of St Vincent de Paul will be providing the morning and afternoon tea on the Saturday. Denis has a wonderful garden and it is well worth a visit. If anyone is interested in organising a Quilt (or other) display in the Church, please let Brian know and go ahead and arrange it.

"Call to Connect" Women's Ministry invites all interested women to an Ecumenical Advent Prayer Breakfast on Saturday 2nd December at 8.00am - 9.30am, St Bede's school hall. RSVP Wednesday 29th November to Cathy 4842 2398 or Bronnie 0432257622. Cost: \$15 exact cash & name to Lolly Shop tin.

Please pray for the sick: Derek Kelly, Mollie Grady, Diana Wiley, Tony Ryan, Luke Ward, Len Kanowski, Ted Younger, Paul Conaghan, Tony Riley, Dave Kelly, Robin Marsden, Patricia Golotta, Barbara Monaghan, John Sheldon, Sarah Lewis, Richie Simpson, Mark Sissian, 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: Betty Jones, Leo Montgomery, Gwen Wright, Ellen Campion, David Leadbetter, and our own deceased relatives and friends.

November— month of All Souls

In November we pray for our dead, our brothers and sisters who have gone before us. We ask God to bless them. We offer thanks for the lives they lived and ask forgiveness for their sins. We ask, too, that in their communion with us, they might pray for us, that we, like they, may be forgiven our sins and might one day join them in the fullness of life in Christ.

I think of heaven as a huge reunion, when I will at last meet all those men and women upon whom I have depended and who depended upon me and we will rejoice in the life-giving love of God that worked through us all. It will be ultimate feast of All Souls.

By Father William J Grimm.

Reflection on the Readings

Our readings this week are both a harsh criticism of how some aspects of established religion can lead us to pride, and also a gentle teaching on simplicity and humility. In the First Reading, Malachi has hard words for the priests who have strayed and led others to stumble. Jesus, too, in the Gospel criticizes the leaders who lay heavy burdens on the people - those who only think of their own importance, rather than of teaching God's word and care for others. However, the words of St Paul to the Thessalonians in the Second Reading are in great contrast. He reveals a maternal affection for his people, and is willing to give up everything for them so as to spread the Good News. He is full of thanksgiving for God's work in them.

The Psalm is a beautiful prayer of humble trust in the Lord, with the image of a child resting in his mother's arms. We are encouraged to hope in God whatever comes.

Perhaps this week, awareness of our closeness to God will lead us to humble prayer rather than empty practice.

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